

The Challenger

Class 2-25, Issue 4

09/19/2025-10/9/2025



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CADET OF THE DAY

09/19 Dillon O'Connell
09/22 Caleb White
09/23 Gracie Gerwig
09/24 Hailey Hubbard
09/25 Lyndie Michael
09/26 Emily Edwards
09/29 Matthew Smith
09/30 Dakota Toothman
10/01 Kason Gray
10/02 Gracie Gerwig
10/06 Jarred Gray

LEVEL ONE PT

Jacob Bittorie	Keyshawn Bradsher
Jaxon Busto	Charlie Chevalier
Burton Copen	Christian Patricola
Aiden Stalnik	Gavin Thorne

LEADERSHIP APPOINTMENTS

Corps Commander

Christian Patricola

Assistant Corps Commander:

Michael Echols

Platoon Leaders:

Jaxon Busto

Zaiden Kelley

Anthony McKenzie

Gavin Thorne

Assistant Platoon Leaders:

Jacob Bittorie

Bryan Knepper

Jesse Nicholas

Adrianna Tuttle

4th PROGRESS REPORT AWARD WINNERS

HONOR PLATOON 2nd Platoon

DIRECTOR'S AWARD
LEADERSHIP AWARD
PHYSICAL TRAINING AWARD

Christian Patricola of Marshall County
Michael Echols of Marion County
Jacob Bittorie of Berkeley County

OVERALL <u>MOST IMPROVED</u>	ACADEMIC <u>MOST IMPROVED</u>	PT MOST <u>IMPROVED</u>	CADRE <u>DISTINCTION AWARD</u>
Dillon O'Connell	Jesse Nicholas	Dakota Martin	Bryan Knepper

INSTRUCTOR'S LIST

Levi Bird	Jacob Bird	Frederick Cade	Nicholas Danner
Jazmin Delcher	Emily Edwards	Kason Gray	James Lewis
Anthony McKenzie	Chase McMillan	Jesse Nicholas	Olivia Roby



HIGHEST ACADEMIC POINTS

Jaxon Busto

Commandant's Cup

Jarred Gray

S2C AWARD

Kadei Adams	Jacob Bittorie	Aniyah Blunt	Jaxon Busto	Garrett Church
Drake Cress	Michael Echols	Wydonis Fazenbaker	Damian Feliciano	Makenzie Fultz
Nirvana Gillison	Jarred Gray	Kason Gray	Leland Haller	McKenzie Harmon
Hailey Hubbard	Zaiden Kelley	Dakota Martin	Anthony McKenzie	Chase McMillan
Levi Moyer	Matthew Smith	Keryan Sowell	Aiden Stalnik	Dakota Toothman
Adrianna Tuttle				

HONOR'S LIST

Frederick Cade
Jarred Gray
Olivia Roby
Tyler Stanley
Bradford Stone
Zaishawn Wilks

TRUSTWORTHINESS RIBBON

All Cadets who completed the Fourth Progress Report received the Trustworthiness Ribbon. The blue ribbon represents the need to be honest, be reliable, and do what you say you will do. Have the courage to do the right thing, and always live by your "Honor Code." Be someone who others can trust.

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

10/27	GED Language Arts Test
10/28	GED Math Test
10/29	GED Science Test
10/30	GED Social Studies Test
	PR 5 Ends
11/07	PR 5 Awards Ceremony

CLASS RINGS

What does the MCA Class Ring look like?



This design was selected by the first graduating class. The order form will be in the next Newsletter.

You will deal directly with Balfour.

IMPORTANT INFORMATION

Optional Purchases Available

1. Class Ring- **Estimated Total Cost \$201.16**

Order forms will be included in PR 5 Newsletter.

If you have questions, please call

1-800-529-7700



GRADUATION

Friday, December 12, 2025

10:00 am

CHALLENGE GRADUATE SURVEYS

Approximately three months after your ChalleNGe cadet graduates, they will be invited to take a series of surveys about their activities and life since graduating from Mountaineer ChalleNGe Academy-North. These surveys are aimed at learning more about how ChalleNGe helps improve the lives of graduates and to provide leadership with evidence to continually improve the ChalleNGe program.

More detailed information will be sent with subsequent newsletters. All surveys are voluntary and confidential and will take between 5-15 minutes to complete.



SERVICE TO COMMUNITY

During weeks 3-21 of the Residential Phase, the Cadets receive instruction centered around the 8 Core Components. One of these Core Components is Service to Community. Cadets develop an understanding of the benefits to be gained through volunteerism in community service projects and agencies. Cadets volunteer many hours during the program performing services for organizations such as the American Red Cross Blood Drive, Food for Preston, Burlington Apple Butter Festival, Kingwood and Reedsville VFD, Operation Gratitude, Rowlesburg Park, and Trout for Cheat to name a few. 100% of the Cadets participate in the work and service projects, which will develop and improve work habits, work skills, and sense of community involvement. Each Cadet is required to perform 40 hours of Service to Community. Certificates of Appreciation and Letters of Recommendation are presented to Cadets from the recipients at final graduation as part of the Cadet's portfolio.