

# The Challenge★

Class 1-26 Issue 3

02/27/2026-03/19/2026



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## 3rd PROGRESS REPORT AWARD WINNERS

### CADET OF THE DAY

02/27 Bailey Dice  
 03/02 Cody Nethken  
 03/03 Ireland Worth  
 03/04 Ka'Nyah Biggs  
 03/05 Salma Duffield  
 03/11 Hayden Wilfong  
 03/12 Jamie Beam  
 03/13 Samuel Clowser  
 03/16 Janiyah Gonzales  
 03/17 Kirstyn Wainscott  
 03/18 Ariana Blankenship  
 03/19 Maria Ashley Bion  
 03/20 Jonthiya Santiago

### HONOR PLATOON 1st Platoon

DIRECTOR'S AWARD  
 LEADERSHIP AWARD  
 PHYSICAL TRAINING AWARD

Ariana Blankenship of Summers County  
 Augustus Peabody of Hampshire County  
 Herbert Stokes of Jefferson County

#### OVERALL MOST IMPROVED

John Bailey

#### ACADEMIC MOST IMPROVED

Gabrielle Brown

#### PT MOST IMPROVED

Colin Weese

#### S2C Award

Taziah Caffrey Kayden Griffith  
 Jeremiah Mitchell Augustus Peabody  
 Kristian Radabaugh Jonthiya Santiago  
 Timothy Sommer

#### Honor's List

Michael Cool  
 Chloe Cosner  
 Bailey Dice  
 Gaige Rexrode  
 Jeffrey Wilson  
 Ireland Worth

#### INSTRUCTOR'S LIST

Jamie Beam Michael Bell  
 Maria Ashley Bion Ariana Blankenship  
 Gabrielle Brown Bailey Dice  
 Emmalee Dollman Salma Duffield  
 Slevin Godwin Shawn Mayhew  
 Connor Ours Kirstyn Wainscott

#### LEVEL ONE PT

Brayden Maisey Jacob Miller  
 Herbert Stokes

### LEADERSHIP APPOINTMENTS

#### Corps Commander

Ariana Blankenship

#### Assistant Corps Commander:

Augustus Peabody

#### Platoon Leaders:

Bailey Dice

Slevin Godwin

Jeremiah Mitchell

Kirstyn Wainscott

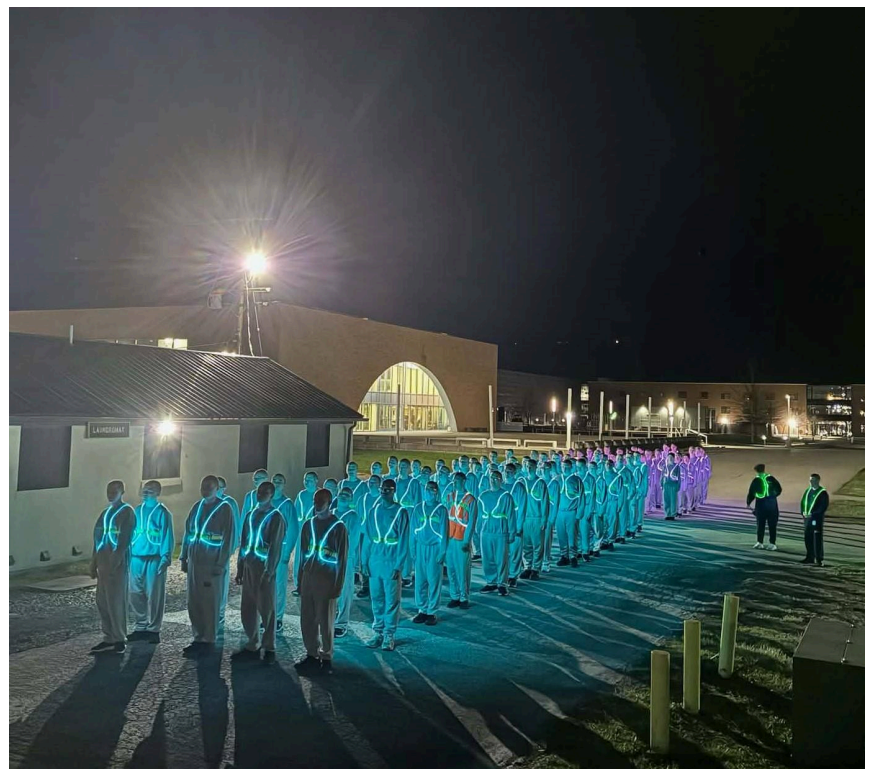
#### Assistant Platoon Leaders:

John Bailey

Emmalee Dollman

Shawn Mayhew

Timothy Sommer



## FAIRNESS RIBBON

All Cadets who completed the Third Progress Report received the Fairness Ribbon. The orange ribbon represents the need to play by the rules, be opened-minded, do not take advantage of others, and do not blame others carelessly. Treat all people fairly. Do what is right, not what your friends do. Be a leader, not a follower.

### Deputy Director's Distinction Award (3-D Award)

*For representing MCA with WDTV in-house taping.*

Bailee Hughes  
Augustus Peabody

### CADRE DISTINCTION AWARD

Shawn Mayhew

### HIGHEST ACADEMIC POINTS

Ariana Blankenship



## IMPORTANT INFORMATION

1. Cadets get nervous and stressed at test time. Encourage them to work in their workbooks. This is a positive way to focus their energy. GED Tests are just around the corner.
2. Keep your Cadets supplied with stamps.
3. Do **NOT** encourage your Cadet to become involved in a "romantic" relationship with another Cadet. It only leads to broken hearts and D-Squad.
4. Graduation for Class 1-2026 will be held on June 12, 2026. Cadets are limited to TEN (10) guests. No exceptions. Graduation Guest List forms are to be returned by Tuesday, May 26, 2026. Look for these forms and more information with Progress Report 4 mailing.

**NOTE:** Children of any age are to be counted as part of the 10 guests.

## DO YOU KNOW A TEEN WHO COULD BENEFIT FROM THE MCA?

Class 2-26N is now forming!  
Tell them or their family to call  
1-800-529-7700

### Did You Know?

- Cadets are served poultry, fish and/or beans nearly every day to ensure they get an adequate dose of protein. Protein is essential for healthy growth, muscle building and strong immune systems.
- Cadets often have the option to grab a kiwi with their lunch or dinner. Kiwis are a good source of potassium, which keeps Cadets' hearts beating strong.
- Sweet potatoes are served to the Cadets in a variety of ways. Sweet potatoes have twice the amount of fiber as regular potatoes. Fiber aids in digestive health.
- The Cadets completed a Nutrition Class, in which they learned details of each food group, how to read a nutrition label and tips on living a healthy, fit lifestyle after MCA. Check out [www.myplate.gov](http://www.myplate.gov) to learn more.

## SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

3/30-4/2	GED Pretest Week
4/2	Career Day
4/17	PR 4 Awards Ceremony
4/20-4/23	GED Round 1 Begins

### MCA Requests Your Help

Now is the time for Cadets to formulate their Post Residential Action Plan. They have been developing S.M.A.R.T. goals for their year following MCA graduation. Goals must be Specific, Measurable, Attainable, Realistic, Time Bound. (See your handbook for more details).

How can you help? Talk to your Cadet about these details. Are they Realistic? Can you support these goals? It's time for a reality check.

This is a team effort. Parents, family members, MCA Staff and Cadets all want MCA Program Graduates to be successful, contributing members of society as a student, volunteer or member of the workforce. Help us validate the PRAP's by talking to your Cadet or their RPM Assistant.