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MEMORANDUM FOR NG J1 RRF (All-Entire RRF)

SUBJECT: SMOM 18-039, ROTC Cadet Summer Training (CST) FY 2018

1. Purpose: Cadet Summer Training (CST) will take place at Fort Knox, KY from the first of June through the third week of August; over 10,000 cadets will participate in CST, the Army's largest annual training exercise. This information will allow States and Territories to make appropriate advanced travel arrangements based on individual accessions requirements.
2. General. Cadets will take part in one of two major training events conducted in multiple iterations over the ten-week CST period:
  - a. Basic Camp. Basic Camp (BC), formerly Cadet Initial Entry Training (CIET), is the premier leadership program of its kind in the United States. An intense four-week introduction to Army life and leadership training of the Reserve Officers' Training Corps, the aim of the course is to motivate and qualify Cadets for entry into the Senior ROTC program. BC is designed for college students, typically between their sophomore and junior years. Upon successful completion of the course, graduates can take part in ROTC at their college as a third-year student in the four-year program. The uniform for all BC events is ACU/OCP.
  - b. Advanced Camp. Advanced Camp (AC), formerly Cadet Leader Course (CLC), is the U.S. Army Cadet Command's capstone training event. The purpose of the course is to train U.S. Army ROTC Cadets to Army standards, to develop their leadership skills, and to evaluate their officer potential. Most Army Cadets attend Advanced Camp between their junior and senior undergraduate years after having contracted to join the Army. Successful completion of Advanced Camp is a prerequisite to becoming an Army officer through ROTC. The uniform for all AC events is ACU/OCP.
3. Officer Strength Manager (OSM)/Recruiting Opportunities. During all BC and AC iterations, State and Territory Army National Guard (ARNG) representatives will have opportunities to meet with both prospective and contracted Cadets.
  - a. Reserve Component Brief (RC). The intent of this briefing is to advise attendees regarding opportunities in the RC to include potential assignments, scholarship eligibility criteria, and the Guaranteed Reserve Forces Duty (GRFD) contract process. This brief provides an overview of the ARNG and USAR, specifically focusing on education benefits and incentives afforded individuals who contract as a Reserve Component Cadet. All BC

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attendees are required to attend the RC Brief. There are 8 BC iterations; approximately 340 participants/Cadets will attend each briefing iteration. Each iteration is allotted a one-hour time block. OSMs may send representation during any of the dates below:

All RC briefings take place at Olive Theater from 1830-1930: 10 June, 15 June, 20 June, 25 June, 30 June, 5 July, 10 July, 15 July.

b. Branch Orientation Brief (BO). During CST 18 all participants and Cadets are required to meet with each of the reserve components IOT inquire about possible future assignments and benefits within that reserve component. While attending the ARNG station, Cadets will receive information regarding Dedicated Guard (DEDARNG), Guaranteed Reserve Forces Duty (GRFD) scholarship options, and branching opportunities in each of the represented States/Territories. Each of the six BO Briefing rotations will consist of one-hour sessions over a span of eight hours. OSMs may send representation during any of the dates below. All BO events take place at Keyes Park from 0800-1630:

(1) Basic Camp: 4 July, 9 July, 14 July, 19 July, 24 July, 29 July, 3 August, 8 August.

(2) Advanced Camp: 2 July, 7 July, 12 July, 17 July, 22 July, 27 July, 1 August, 6 August, 11 August, 15 August.

4. State/Territory CST Requirements. Recommend that each RRB send OSM representation from 23-27 July 2018. This will allow OSMs to make contact with Cadets during two Advance Camp orientation days and participate in the National OSM Workshop during non-branch orientation days. Contact the point of contact in paragraph 7 below if you are able to attend during this period.

5. OSMs should identify each event they will attend and coordinate with their Reserve Component Directorate Brigade Liaison Officer NLT 1 June 2018 to ensure logistic and administrative support. States may deploy/request PAO assets for these events. OSMs will be provided with a table to display State information and conduct Cadet interviews. These tables will be outside under 10X10 tents shared by other States and Territories in attendance. A minimum of one outlet for power will be provided to each table; additional surge protectors and extension cords will not be provided. Internet access is limited; the use of MiFi's or other devices is strongly encouraged. Submit any additional logistical requests to CPT Dakota Walker at [dakota.m.walker.mil@mail.mil](mailto:dakota.m.walker.mil@mail.mil) or 502-624-1979 NLT two weeks prior to arrival.

6. Logistical Coordination. No additional funding will be provided to States or Territories for TDY travel costs. Personnel flying into Fort Knox should book travel to Louisville International Airport in Louisville, KY (SDF). A rental car will be required. The drive to Fort Knox is approximately 50 miles and takes around one hour. On-post lodging options include Holiday Inn Express Newgarden and Wickham Inns, Fort Knox (IHG Army Hotels).

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Additional lodging accommodations may be made in the surrounding cities of Radcliff, KY (approximately eight miles) or Elizabethtown (approximately 15 miles). Reservations should be made as early as possible as hotels fill up quickly during CST. Recommend States and Territories ship signage, RRPis, and any other equipment to Cadet Command prior to the start of Branch Orientation for pre-staging. Equipment should be mailed to SFC Ira Leslie (ira.j.leslie.mil@mail.mil or 502-624-1508) at 193 6th Ave. Building 1109D, Room 301, Fort Knox, KY 40121-2725 for UPS/FedEx or Dept. of the Army USACC (ATTN: SFC Ira Leslie) ARNG 1307-3rd Ave, Fort Knox, KY 40212-2725 for USPS. ROTC BDE LNO's will be on site to assist States/Territories with the set up and tear down of equipment.

7. Point of conatact is CPT Jeremy Christopher, Officer Accessions Section Chief, ARNG Recruiting Plans, Policy, and Programs at 703-607-9634, or at jeremy.j.christopher.mil@mail.mil.



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