

CLASS 54 UPDATES

We are getting close to the end of our Semi-Virtual Class 54. Please read this message in its entirety as it contains some very important information.

CANVAS: Cadets MUST complete ALL assignments in Canvas with at least 80% accuracy by: **5JUN20 (This is sooner than the original date of 26JUN20)**. If the Cadet needs to re-take a test, they will be contacted by either their Case Manager or their staff liaison. These tasks are a pre-requisite to taking the GED test. For more information or assistance, please contact Ms. Makel @ 443.651.9985.

AZTEC: Cadets MUST demonstrate proficiency in the 4 Subject areas before being scheduled to take the actual GED test. For more information or assistance, please contact Ms. Blue @ 443.240.9226.

CONTACT: Cadets should be being contacted regularly by their Case Manager and their Staff Liaison. For more information or assistance, please contact Mr. Dickerson @ 443.301.2310.

TABE Testing: Cadets, in order to pass Academic Excellence, must take the in person TABE test and demonstrate an improvement over the test that was administered when the program started. For more information or assistance, please contact Ms. Blue @ 443.240.9226.

PT Test: The PT test is required to demonstrate growth from the initial PT test and will be administered, by appointment, through the CADRE Department. For more information or assistance, please contact SGM Benn @ 410.982.8132.

GED Testing: Once the Cadet has successfully completed CANVAS and demonstrated proficiency in AZTEC, they need to contact Ms. Blue to be scheduled to take the AZTEC Practice test. Once that is completed, they will be scheduled to take the GED Test. All sections of the test will be administered on the same day. For more information or assistance, please contact Ms. Blue @ 443.240.9226.

CHROMEBOOKS & PACKETS: Chromebooks and Packets (received in the mail) MUST be returned when the Cadet arrives to take the GED test. If the Chromebook is lost, stolen or damaged, please remit payment in the form of a money order or cashier's check to: State of Maryland Military Department in the amount of \$250 per the signed acknowledgement. For more information or assistance, please contact Mrs. Dunmeyer @ 443.794.8614

"SENIOR" Pictures: Any Cadet that wishes to have their "senior" Picture taken, may do so on the day they take the GED test. Once you're scheduled for the test, let the scheduler know your intent to take the portrait. The pictures will be sent out electronically. Please allow 4 weeks for delivery. For more information or assistance, please contact Mr. Dickerson @ 443.301.2310. **Note: Male Cadets wishing to take the portrait MUST be clean shaven and have a standard haircut. Female Cadets wishing to take the portrait MUST have their hair to the standard.**

COMPLETION CEREMONY: Once a date is solidified with respect to the Academy reopening, you will receive guidance on how the completion ceremony will be conducted. There is no person to contact in reference to the ceremony as it has not been scheduled.

Once again, we want to express our whole-hearted thanks and appreciation for your cooperation during this trying and "untraditional" situation. It is much appreciated. We look forward to working with and seeing you in the next few weeks and working together throughout the Post-Residential Phase of the program. Continue to be safe and healthy.

INCOMING AND INTERESTED STUDENTS (CLASS 55)

If you have applied for CLASS 55 of the Maryland National Guard Freestate Challenge Academy, Please continue to be patient yet diligent in completing all the necessary paperwork for admission. In the next few weeks, we will be in touch with you concerning a virtual Pre-Processing to review your paperwork and ensure that you are on the right track to have your child start the class. That paperwork will have to be scanned and e-mailed (WE DO NOT ACCEPT FAXES). As the State slowly and steadily reopens and we continue to receive guidance, we will be in touch with you in reference to the next steps forward. If you have any questions in the meantime, please contact your recruiter.

If you are reading this message and interested in having your child attend Freestate, please contact us.