Virginia Commonwealth Challe*NG*e Youth Academy



Class 54

Parent/Guardian Handbook

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MISSION STATEMENT

The mission of the Virginia Commonwealth ChalleNGe Youth Academy is to intervene in the lives of 16-18 year old teenagers by providing the values, skills, education, and self-discipline needed to produce responsible, productive citizens, and to do so in a highly structured learning environment.

FROM THE DIRECTOR

Dear Parent/Guardian,

Welcome to the Challe NGe family and thank you for trusting us with the care of your child for the next five and a half months. The objective of the Challe NGe program, sponsored by the Virginia National Guard, is to intervene in the lives of 16-18 year old teenagers by providing the values, skills, education, and self-discipline needed to produce responsible, productive citizens, and to do so in a highly structured learning environment.

During the residential phase of our program, the Cadets will complete the eight core components, which are: academic excellence, life coping skills, job skills, health and hygiene, responsible citizenship, service to the community, leadership/followership, and physical fitness. The Cadets will receive additional instruction in patriotism, community living, drug and alcohol abuse awareness and team building that is geared toward developing respect for both community and society. Academically, all Cadets work toward attaining their GEDs or will participate in our credit recovery curriculum so they can return to their high schools and complete their High School Diplomas.

Upon graduating from the residential phase of our program, Cadets will enter a twelve-month post-residential phase where they will continue to work with their ChalleNGe career counselor and their mentor on placement opportunities. During this phase, Cadets are required to be enrolled in high school or an institution of higher education such as college or trade school, be successfully employed for 30 hours or more per week or join the military. Both the mentor and all the ChalleNGe staff are ready and prepared to assist the Cadets with placement.

Lastly, we look forward to working with your Cadet over the next 17 and a half months. Please do not hesitate to reach out to me or any member of the ChalleNGe staff at any time.

Sincerely,

COMMONWEALTH CHALLENGE YOUTH ACADEMY

E. Mark Chicoine

Director

Captain, USN (Ret.)

PROGRAM STAFF DIRECTORY

1-757-491-5932, ext. XXX 1-800-796-6472, ext. XXX

You can reach the ChalleNGe staff by dialing either of the above listed numbers and entering the three-digit extension of the person you are trying to reach. If you do not know the extension, press 0 for the receptionist who will transfer you to the person you are trying to reach.

Director..... E. Mark Chicoine, Ext. 221

Deputy Director...... Richard Guzman, Ext. 226

Commandant...... Marcus Brooks, Ext. 224

Lead Teacher...... Mr. Kreitner, Ext. 233

Team Leader..... Ext. 252 / Cell: (757) 536-1683

Admissions...... Mr. L. Boykin, Ext. 235

Mentor Coordinator...... Dr. Kargbo, Ext. 240

Career Counselors..... Ext. 236, 241, 249, or 253

After Hours Cell Number...... (757) 536-1683

Fax Number...... (757) 491-2148

ChalleNGe Web Site..... www.vachallenge.org

Normal administrative duty hours are from 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Monday through Friday.

1. MAILING ADDRESS

1.1. Mail for cadets should be addressed as follows for both letter mail and packages*:

Commonwealth ChalleNGe		
Cadet <u>Last Name, First Initial</u>	Plt	
253 C Street		
Camp Pendleton/SMR		
Virginia Beach, VA 23451-0539		

*NOTE: When sending a package, we recommend that you save tracking number of the package until you verify that the package has arrived. Quarantining of mail will be a process we will implement during class 54.

2. EMAIL

2.1. We encourage you to email your cadet at **CadetEmail@vachallenge.org**. Ensure you put your cadet's name and platoon number in the subject line. Emails will be printed and distributed to the cadets daily. You will not receive a reply as the cadets do not have access to personal email while in the program.

3. FINANCIAL AND GENERAL GUIDANCE

3.1. **Program Cost:** Parents are NOT required to pay tuition or other costs associated with Commonwealth Challe NGe Youth Academy operations. The program is <u>FREE</u> to those who are accepted. There is a packing list of personal clothing items that the cadets are required to bring with them on the first day of class. This packing list is the only required out of pocket expense for the cadets. The packing list was mailed along with the Academy acceptance packet. If you have not received this list, please let one of our staff know.

NOTE: You may be invoiced by the State of Virginia for any destruction of state property or for lost/destroyed ChalleNGe uniform items by your Candidate/Cadet.

- 3.2 Social <u>Security Card/Birth Certificate</u>: Each cadet is required to submit a copy of his/her social security card or resident number as well as a copy of their birth certificate or passport prior to enrollment. No candidate will be enrolled without providing a copy of these documents.
- 3.3. <u>Recreation/Weekend Activities</u>: There will be no off-post weekend activities due to the Coronavirus. All extra-curriculum activities will be conducted in the confines of the Challenge containment area.

4. OPERATIONS

4.1. <u>Days at ChalleNGe</u>. Your cadet is required to be at ChalleNGe for a <u>minimum of 147 days</u> to graduate. Your cadet will be at Challenge a minimum of 75 days on campus and 72 days of virtual learning.

**** <u>IMPORTANT NOTE</u>: It is imperative to take care of all appointments prior to attending Challenge. Exceptions will be made in extreme cases. Depending on the amount of time out of the program your cadet may not be allowed to return to campus and would be required to attend virtually

If you take your cadet out on a pass or your cadet departs early or returns late from pass and it was not authorized by the Director of Operations, then you risk <u>your cadet not meeting the 147 day requirement and not graduating but rather receiving a certificate of attendance.</u>

- 4.2. **Parent Questions:** The Director of Operations (Papa Charlie) is responsible for all aspects of the Teach Advise and Train (TAC) staff and operations that impact cadet life. Parents should direct questions regarding their cadets to the Director of Operations. If the Director of Operations is unavailable to answer a question, the Commandant, Team Leader, Counselor, Platoon Chief or TAC Officer will be assigned to do so. All questions will be answered in a timely manner. The ChalleNGe Director of Operations can be reached at extension 225 and the Team Leader extension is 252.
- **4.3 Hours of Operations:** Normal administrative duty hours in building 253 are from 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Monday through Friday. Team Leader is scheduled around the clock, seven days per week. After normal duty hours you may call the Team Leader at 757-491-5932, ext. 252 and follow the instructions given by voice mail or call the Challe*NG*e duty cell (757) 536-1683.
- **4.4a** Barracks Operations: All staff remain on alert and continuously monitoring an outbreak of respiratory disease caused by a new coronavirus (called "2019-nCoV"). Procedures have been put in place to ensure the safety and security of your cadet's health and welfare. adjustments to barracks configurations and berthing of Cadets to create as much distance as possible. Your cadets will be quarantined for 14 days upon arriving at Challenge and remain with their platoon util the completion of the quarantine. Cadets will be issued masks as part of their initial issue. If a Cadet required off campus medical treatment, they were quarantined for 14 days upon return to ensure they were not exposed.
- **4.4b Preventive Measures:** Cadets will be:
- 1. Monitored daily to ensure their well-being.
- 2.. Monitored daily to ensure hand and canteen washing.
- 3. Verify that all Candidates and Cadets have a mask.
- 4. Monitor for symptoms related to Covid-19 and taken immediately the nurse and follow the isolation instructions.

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- 5. Perform constant handwashing while on duty in the barracks, dining room, and academic area.
- 6. Monitor the isolation building, barracks, and common areas periodically to ensure protocols are followed.
- 7. Monitored to ensure staggered head-to-toe bunks and extra space in barracks and showers, chow line screen maintaining CDC guidelines for social distancing.
- **5.0 Medical**. Medical screening enhanced for recruiting will take place during the day of in processing A daily schedule of cadets needing to be seen will be adhered to by all staff and cadets. Extreme segregated platoons of platoons will be in effect to avoid cross-infection possibility during the 14-day quarantine period. The physical or rapid test at intake will be given. During the 14-day quarantine cadets will be monitored and will not leave campus for any reason. All will wear masks for 14 days, made of cloth and washed every night. During the quarantine period cadets will be monitor for any symptoms or signs of the coronavirus. Sick call will be conducted daily and any cadet displaying any symptoms will be brought to medical immediately. Medical staff is on site at Commonwealth ChalleNGe, Monday through Friday from 7:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. and Saturdays from 7:00 a.m. to 10:00 am. to issue medications, treat minor illnesses and injuries. More serious medical issues are referred to a local hospital. Emergency services are provided by the Virginia Beach Rescue Squad. If warranted, you will be informed of your cadet's medical condition after a visit with our medical staff. If a medical situation occurs where your child must be taken for immediate medical attention, our medical staff or Team Leader will notify you of the situation and will advise you as to where the child is being taken for treatment.
- 5.2. While treatment provided by our medical staff is at no cost to you, Commonwealth ChalleNGe will not pay for health care services provided outside of our clinic. All charges for outside medical treatment to include doctor visits, hospital visits, clinical testing, and prescription medications will be the responsibility of the Cadet's parent or guardian.
- 5.3. <u>Parents or guardians must provide their own health care insurance or guarantee payments</u>. If your health insurance policy requires you to claim a Primary Care Physician (PCP), you must notify your PCP and ask for a referral to Patient Choice for the <u>duration of the program</u>. In some circumstances, it may be easier to change your PCP to Patient Choice during the residential phase. Generally, HMOs will cooperate when informed of the residential nature of this program. Parents or guardians are responsible for copayment costs or expenses not covered by their health insurance.
- 5.4. We encourage parental involvement when a medical issue arises. Please be aware that medical appointments scheduled during the residential phase of the program are strictly controlled and it is necessary to coordinate the scheduling of the appointment with the ChalleNGe medical staff. If your child must be seen by his/her regular physician, it is the parent or guardian's responsibility to contact the ChalleNGe medical staff at least one day in advance. Additionally, it is the parent or guardian's responsibility to provide transportation for the child both to and from the appointment. Elective treatment and non-emergency dental care are not recognized by ChalleNGe as necessary to remove your child from daily participation. You may contact our medical staff at (757) 491-5932 ext. 243 or 244 with questions or concerns you may have.

- 5.5. All prescription medication must be paid for and provided by the parent or guardian. All prescription and over-the-counter medicine must be turned into the medical staff during in-processing. All medications will be held by the medical staff in a locked facility. Only the medical staff or a trained TAC Officer can dispense medications to the cadets. If a prescription is ordered as the result of treatment at our contract clinic or a local hospital, our medical staff can coordinate filling the prescription at a local pharmacy; however, the parent or guardian is responsible for payment. Often, this can be accomplished by contacting the pharmacy directly and providing credit card information for payment. For additional information or details, please contact our medical staff.
- 5.6. <u>Immunizations</u>: Parents must provide their cadet's immunization records. These forms must be submitted prior to or during in-processing at Commonwealth Challe*NG*e. A current immunization for tetanus/diphtheria and TB skin test is required. Cadets will not be enrolled without these records.

5. VISITATION/LEAVE/PASS

- 6.1. <u>Visitation: General visitation is not normally allowed.</u> Due to the strict contact protocol while at challenge there will be no visitations. Increased virtual contact with home in lieu of visits/home passes as an option for conferences for staff and parents for class 54.
- 6.2. <u>Cadet Passes</u>: Due to the Coronavirus and the split classes there will be no scheduled passes., 6.3. <u>Days at ChalleNGe</u>. <u>Your cadet is required to be at ChalleNGe for a minimum of 147 days to graduate</u>. <u>All passes and placement passes are included in the required 147 days</u>. Pass days are already factored into these required days including virtual participation.
- **** <u>IMPORTANT NOTE</u>: If you take your cadet out on a pass or your cadet departs early or returns late from pass and it was not authorized by the Director of Operations, then you risk your cadet not meeting the 147 day requirement and not graduating but rather receiving a certificate of attendance.
- 6.4. <u>Homesickness</u>: This may be a problem for some cadets. Parents/guardians can assist by being optimistic and positive about the program when talking with your cadet prior to the class start date. Also, during check in for class commencement, good-byes should be brief, yet provide the cadet with the knowledge that their families care about them. Parents/guardians can help by writing friendly encouraging letters, and sending cards, or emails to their cadet at least once a week, but more often if possible. Parents/guardians can also help by writing an initial letter or even a quick note while you are waiting for your cadet to complete in-processing. Do not forget to tell them how proud you are of them for volunteering for this program. Encourage other family members and friends to write as well, especially other members in the household such as siblings. In turn, we will encourage the cadets to write home to their families while they are here.

6. VOLUNTARY DISENROLLMENT

7.1. The Commonwealth Challe NGe Youth Academy is strictly a voluntary program, we cannot keep a cadet here against their will. If a cadet wishes to voluntarily disenroll from the program, we will take the following actions:

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- 6.1.1. The cadet will be counseled by several members in their chain of supervision to determine the reason that the cadet wishes disenroll and to see if we can encourage them to stay.
- 6.1.2. The parent/guardian will be contacted prior to making a final disenrollment decision.
- 6.1.3. If the cadet does decide to voluntarily disenroll, they will be separated from the other cadets while waiting to depart the Challe*NG*e campus.

7. CADET CONDUCT

- 8.1. Commonwealth Challe/VGe Youth Academy is a program with a distinctly military look and feel. As such, it uses a strict code of conduct to enforce policy and discipline. Violations of this code will result in punitive action; however, Challe/VGe strictly enforces a hands-off policy and corporal punishment of cadets (slapping, striking, paddling, etc.) IS NOT used by the staff nor will it be tolerated. Serious incidents of cadet misconduct may result in dismissal from the program. Serious offenses include, but are not limited to:
- 7.1.1. Use/possession of drugs/alcohol
- 7.1.2. Use/possession of weapons or explosives
- 7.1.3. The presence of a cadet in the barracks of the opposite sex
- 7.1.4. Any sexual activity between cadets
- 8.1.5 Deliberate destruction, abuse, or misuse of program property or the property of others
- 8.1.6. Making threats or demonstrating actual acts of aggressive or violent behavior or the use of abusive language to other cadets or staff members
- 8.1.7. Creating an unsafe environment (escalating negative behavior, starting fires, etc.)
- 8.1.8. Unauthorized absence from the academy

9. CURRICULUM

- 9.1. Cadets will attend classes geared toward either credit recovery or GED preparation. In addition to these traditional educational tracks, there are eight core components of the Commonwealth Challe*NG*e curriculum that the cadets are required to participate in. These are as follows:
- 9.1.1. **Academic Excellence** All Challe*NG*e cadets attend daily academic classes that increase math and reading comprehension and prepares them for General Education Development (GED) credential testing. Evaluation of a cadet's grade level progress during the residential phase is

measured using the Tests of Adult Basic Education (TABE) testing process. Cadets also explore the knowledge and skills required to pursue future educational opportunities. Additionally, some cadets will have the option to work on credit recovery using the Virginia Department of Education approved Edgenuity Credit Recovery Program. The cadets who enroll in the credit recovery program will return to their high schools upon graduating from Challe NG to continue working toward their high school diploma.

- 9.1.2. **Life Coping Skills** Cadets learn skills designed to last a lifetime. Increased self-esteem and self-discipline are gained through a combination of classroom activities, group discussions, and a structured living environment. Cadets learn how to identify and self-regulate emotions such as anger, grief, frustration, and stress and how to utilize conflict resolution strategies. Challe NGe provides the educational resources necessary to foster fiscal responsibility, helping cadets understand personal finance, basic banking, obtaining, and managing good credit, and preparing and managing a personal budget. Taught by the Counselors.
- 9.1.3. **Job Skills** Cadets prepare for long-term, gainful employment. Career exploration is accomplished through career assessment and interest inventories, job-specific skills orientation and awareness, and training in area vocational centers. Specific classroom activities focus on developing individual resumes, completing job applications, and preparing for and conducting job interviews. Taught by the Career Counselors.
- 9.1.4. **Health and Hygiene** Cadets learn the value of a healthy, well-balanced lifestyle. Challe *NG*e offers a holistic approach that combines physical and mental well-being as cadets explore the effects of substance abuse and sexually transmitted diseases on their over health and well-being. Cadets learn the physical and emotional benefits of proper nutrition through participation in classes and structured group discussions. Taught by Medical Staff.
- 9.1.5. **Responsible Citizenship -** Cadets discover their role in the democratic process and learn their rights, privileges, and obligations as United States citizens. The U.S. Government structure and processes, along with individual rights and responsibilities at the local, state, and national level, are addressed in the classroom environment, in the student government process, and through practical experiences within local communities. Those who are eligible register for selective service and to vote. Taught by Academics.
- 9.1.6. **Service to the Community -** Cadets realize the value and importance of giving back to the community while performing a minimum of 40 hours of service to the community. These activities provide additional opportunities for career exploration and enhance community-needs awareness in Cadets. Operations and RPM departments lead the efforts.
- 9.1.7. **Leadership/Followership** Cadets develop strong character while identifying and applying individual moral and ethical standards to perform various roles and responsibilities in a structured group environment. They learn to willingly comply with established rules, regulations, and procedures; perform basic military customs and courtesies; define and recognize leadership skills, traits, dimensions, and components; employ leadership skills while performing in a leadership position; maintain a personal living area; and function as an effective team Page **11** of **16**

member. Taught by Operations

- 9.1.8. **Physical Fitness -** Physical fitness becomes an integral part of cadet daily life. Cadets perform physical training based on the President's Challenge, a test battery based on data collected from a variety of sources including the President's Council on Physical Fitness and Sports National School Population Fitness Survey. Taught by Operations
- 9.2. Additional information is as follows:
- 9.2.1. Cadets are required to complete a Post-Residential Action Plan, also known as a "P-RAP", as a condition for graduation. The P-RAP is a tool design to assist the Cadets in staying on track with meeting their goals.
- 9.2.2. Cadets who are on the GED track will be enrolled in an assessment-based curriculum that will help prepare them to take the GED test toward the end of the residential phase. Cadets who are taking the GED test are **required to have an official state identification card** to take the GED test. We highly encourage you to obtain a state identification card for your child prior to them reporting to Challenge.
- 9.2.3. The faculty will provide feedback to the cadets on their classroom standing to develop a clear picture of where the student is in relation to their educational objectives and goals.
- 9.2.4. Cadets will be administered a series of vocational interest surveys while enrolled in Commonwealth ChalleNGe to include the military's ASVAB Test.
- 9.2.5. Information about taking the SAT and SAT testing dates will be available to eligible students. Please contact the career counselors for more information.

10. ROLE OF THE MENTOR

10.1. All candidates of the Commonwealth Challe/VGe Youth Academy are required to have a screened, trained, and matched mentor by week 13. The mentor must commit to support the cadet during the 22-week residential phase and for at least the first 12 months of the post residential phase. Mentors are the integral link between the cadet and the Challe/VGe staff and are the prime source of information regarding cadet progress during the 12 months post residential phase. The mentor also serves as a resource for the graduate and provides advice and counsel regarding school, job, or any other area that helps the cadets in reaching their post-residential goals. We ask the parents to work closely with the cadet, mentor, and post-residential staff in developing a "Post Residential Action Plan" to assist cadets in reaching their goals.

11. MISCELLANEOUS

11.1. <u>Workshop</u>: The counselors provide a workshop for the parents/guardians to help them prepare for life after the residential phase of ChalleNGe (Post-Residential). Every effort should be made to attend the workshop.

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- 11.2. <u>Banquet</u>: All cadets participate in a formal awards banquet with the staff. This is only for cadets and staff; no cadets' guests are allowed. Guidance for attire for the cadets will be distributed during pass briefings.
- 11.3. <u>Telephone Calls</u>: After the Cadets have complete the ACCLIMATION PHASE of the program (the initial two weeks), they will be granted telephone privileges. <u>Cadets will be restricted to ONE 3-5-minute telephone call per week which will occur on Saturdays and Mentors on <u>Sundays</u>. Long distance calls (out of the U.S.) will not be paid for by Commonwealth ChalleNGe. Cadets who wish to make long distance or toll phone calls will be required to have a telephone card. Cadets will not be allowed to use the telephone after 9:00 p.m. unless previously approved by the Commandant or Director of Operations.</u>
- 11.4. <u>Family Emergencies</u>: In the event of a family emergency, parents/guardians or family members <u>should contact a Commonwealth ChalleNGe Counselor</u>, or if unavailable, a representative listed on page 5. We request that you notify the ChalleNGe staff member of the nature of the emergency **PRIOR TO** notifying your cadet as we would like to have a staff member present when a cadet is informed of sad or unexpected bad news. Please let other family members and friends know about this.
- 11.5. <u>Personal Items</u>: Electrical appliances (except for male razors), electronic devices, MP3 players (only for Silver/Gold Phase), iPods, radios, DVD players, video games, cellular phones, posters, knives, guns, expensive jewelry, food etc., are prohibited. Any unauthorized items that are found will be confiscated. <u>Commonwealth ChalleNGe staff members are not responsible for any lost, stolen, or broken items, even if the item had been confiscated.</u> Please ensure your cadet does not try to bring these items with them on the first day of class as they will go through an amnesty check upon arrival and these items will be removed from their possession. In addition, <u>cadets/parents/guardians will be held financially responsible for any lost items of clothing or equipment issued to them by Commonwealth ChalleNGe</u>.
- 11.5. <u>Cadet Grooming</u>: Both male and female cadets are required to keep their hair neat and trimmed and must conform to the ChalleNGe grooming standards. Radical hair styles and color are prohibited. Males will be required to shave all facial hair. Uniform standards will be strictly adhered to. Cadets <u>SHOULD NOT</u> get tattoos while enrolled in ChalleNGe since the proper care for it will not occur.
- 11.6. **Jewelry:** Cadets may wear an inexpensive BLACK watch. No Bluetooth watches like Apple Watch. No other jewelry is authorized.
- 11.7. Sneakers: Only ALL BLACK, low top with laces, inexpensive (no more than \$20.00 worth) are authorized wear. There should be no white or any other color on the sneaker. This is the STANDARD.
- 11.8. **Automobiles:** Cadets are not authorized to have a private vehicle while at Commonwealth Challe*NG*e Youth Academy.

- 11.9. <u>Tobacco/Nicotine</u>: Commonwealth Challe*NG*e Youth Academy has a no tobacco, no nicotine product use or possession policy for cadets, staff, and visitors.
- 11.10 **Religious Services:** Non-denominational religious services will normally be held each week, normally on Sunday. Attendance at religious services is strictly voluntary.
- 11.11. **Staff Assistance:** All of the staff at Commonwealth Challe*NG*e Youth Academy are standing by to assist with answering any questions you may have about the Academy. If you reach someone who cannot answer your question, you will be directed to a staff member who can answer your question. Do not he sitate to contact us.

11.12. CANDIDATE/CADET GEAR/NON-AUTHORIZED ITEMS.

- 11.12.1. We will return all the cadet items in his/her possession when the candidate/cadet is disenrolled with the cadet. If your candidate/cadet goes home and DOES NOT have all the items he/she brought to the program, provide the receipt for the item, and contact the Director of Operations. We will not reimburse; however, we will search for it.
- 11.12.2. Only send items that are on the packing list. Cadets are provided with the required equipment for academics and other classes so PLEASE do not send, calculators, notebooks, etc. We are not responsible if those items are lost or damage.

12. SUPPORT ASSOCIATION

- 12.1. The Commonwealth Challe/VGe Support Association (CCSA) is very active in supporting the morale and welfare of the cadets. We encourage all parents/guardians and mentors to get involved with the association. The CCSA has been in existence since 2003. The current membership is more than 200 parents, mentors, and friends of Challe/VGe. The CCPA became a nonprofit corporation in the spring of 2005 and as of January 24, 2006 is a 501c3 organization. Some of the ways that the CCPA gets involved are as follows:
- 12.1.2. **Fund Raising:** The primary goal of fund raising is to fund scholarships. The CCSA conducts fund raising activities for each Challe *NG*e Class. Under the leadership of the Director of Fund Raising, car washes, raffles, home interior sales and fund solicitation efforts have provided most funds raised. New ideas are always needed and welcomed.
- 12.2. **Scholarship Program:** The CCSA administers the scholarship program while the Challe *NG*e staff selects the recipients. Challe *NG*e graduates may apply to receive scholarship assistance if they are attending a college or trade/technical school. Information is available from all CCPA Officers and Challe *NG*e staff or you can download the scholarship application on the Challe *NG*e website.
- 12.3. **How to get involved:** If you would like to get involved in the Support Association, please notify one of CCSA members or contact the CCSA President, Mr. Clarence E. Perry at:

Clarence E. Perry Pres. CCSA 1549 Harbor View Cove Virginia Beach, VA 23464

757 374 2408 (Cell)

Email: ceperry15@gmail.com and/or ceperry15@gmail.com and/or ceperry15@verizon.net

APPENDIX A: PASS REQUIREMENTS

GRADUATION: TBD

**Ensure your cadet has dinner. Do not give them any NIGHT meds that are to be given before bedtime if your cadet arrives before 7:00pm. The Team Leader will distribute the medication. If you arrive after at 8:00pm then give the cadet, the night med and inform the Team Leader. **

Placement Requirement Forms will be provided during the pass brief. Pass brief location will be announced on Facebook.

GRADUATION: TBD

Six seats are assigned to each cadet which includes one for the mentor.

Send requests for extra seats to: mgarcia-roman@vachallenge.org and rguzman@vachallenge.org

FAMILY DAY – TBD Saturday,

- Bring beach chair and cash to contribute to the Support Association Fund raising efforts by purchasing food and tee-shirts among other things and to support the Cadet SCA fund.
- Bring as many people as you wish to see your cadet in during Family Day.