



Fall 2020

University of Minnesota Army ROTC "Dig Deep"



Golden Gopher Battalion Class of Fall 2020

Golden Gophers Receive Their Gold Bar

By 2LT Alec Farrell

Minneapolis, MN— On December 23rd, the University of Minnesota Army ROTC program proudly commissioned five new Second Lieutenants in one of two commissioning ceremonies held each year. This ceremony commissioned the fall semester graduates as they start a new chapter in the Army

and their lives. This ceremony marks the end of many long days, all nighters and seemingly endless challenges over the last four plus years which have prepared them well to take on the responsibilities of their new second lieutenant rank. Although this is the second semester held online due to COVID-

19 pandemic it has certainly been a more challenging semester for most. Let us wish these new second lieutenants good luck as they take on the challenges and rewards of being an Army Officer. **Gopher Strong!**

See complete list of Class of Fall 2020 on page 6.

Cadet Battalion Commander

By Cadet Jesse Sattler



Gophers, Wow, what a semester. I'm working through finals and finals prep right now as I'm sure you are all doing, and I still keep thinking back and wondering how we pulled off such a tight, strict schedule. What we did this semester was at a tier and tempo higher than I have ever seen in ROTC. Thank you all for your tireless work, motivation, and dedication to this profession. We accomplished our first ever Gopher Battalion Army Combat Fitness Test (ACFT), executed six successful Lead Labs, successfully accomplished all tasks at Camp Ripley during Fall Field Training Exercise (FTX), and showed grit and dedication during a Mega Lead Lab (MLL) that was hampered by weather and COVID. Our Army Ten

Miler and Ranger Challenge teams battled through adversity and came out the other end successful. Uncertainty follows us to the spring semester. We do not know what new hurdles we will face, but we will go into the semester with our heads held high, ready to take on whatever the future has in store. This will be my last correspondence with the Battalion as your Cadet Battalion Commander. Cadet Taylor Lyons is taking the helm, and I am confident in her skills and ability to lead the Battalion to mission success this semester. While I am no longer your commander, I am always here as a friend and mentor to help with whatever I can. Do not hesitate to reach out. It's time to switch gears and focus on yourself this next week. The ROTC semester is over, but it is even more important to finish strong academically and get through this last hurdle to enjoy our winter break. **Gopher Strong, Pup 6, Out!**

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Getting After The “Why”

By LTC Melissa Hoaglin



“The American [S]oldier has always wanted to know *why*, ...Don’t discourage it—it’s a good thing. It’s what distinguishes [them] from any other private [S]oldier the world over—this feeling that it’s [their] right to know why [they] are doing something.”¹

Getting after the “why” is not a new concept, the above quote is from the 1968 book, *Once an Eagle*, by Anton Myrer where he captured the essence of thoughts from Friedrich von Steuben, a Prussian Military Officer who joined the U.S. Military in 1778 during the Revolutionary War.² From the very inception of our Army, we’ve had a rich history of wanting to know the reasoning behind, the purpose for, and the projected results of our actions as Soldiers.

So “why” are we here, “why” do we continue to train and prepare the future leaders of the U.S. Army, U.S. Army Reserve, and the Army National Guard? We are here because we have volunteered to do so. We are here because we understand that in order for the United States, its citizens, and the people who live here to continue to develop, strive, and prosper, these rights must be protected. We are here because we understand that these rights and the ideals that are written, amended, and ratified into the very constitution which we as Soldiers swear to uphold, foster a country that is grounded in dignity, respect, liberty, and justice for ALL.

Our Military is one of the primary means by which the U.S. Government can insure these rights are protected and available for our Nation’s citizens, that is the “why” we are here. Are there added benefits, sure, good colleges, great friends, traveling the world, money for school, extraordinary training opportunities, there are hundreds of added benefits, but they are not the “why”. Our personal and individual

“unalienable Rights, [to]...Life, Liberty and the pursuit of Happiness”⁴ is the “why” behind our volunteering, not just our rights but also the rights of our families, friends, and fellow citizens. As I too am a patriot, I wish to say thank you to you all for being tied to the same “why” and for your embodiment of the Army Values, the Army Ethic the very essence which creates the culture of dignity and respect that makes the Gopher Battalion great.

So here we are, almost 125 years later, our program has provided officers for the U.S. Army who would have supported the Spanish-American War, World War I, World War II, the Korean War, the Vietnam War, Operation Desert Shield, Operation Desert Storm, Operation Enduring Freedom, Operation Iraqi Freedom, Operation New Dawn and the multiple engagements and operations that have occurred between. Good news for all our past and present Gophers, the current Corps of Cadets getting after the mission this semester, embodies the “why” behind our program’s existence and the reason we are all proud to be part of the Gopher Battalion. They are strong. They consistently reviewed, adjusted, adapted, and overcame obstacles to ensure training was successful this semester. They have grit and are holding the torch high as standard bearers for the next generation of leaders.

Semester Achievements—Speaking of which, as you all begin to settle in for the New Year, let’s recap a bit of the “what” our Gopher Battalion Corps of Cadets accomplished this past semester. The past four months were not without quarantines and hardships of lost or sick loved ones nor adversity with social challenges and academic rigor, but our Cadets have pulled through and continue to show the grit and determination that we need in our Army’s Leaders. They completed a combined 250 hours of military related classes, labs, and training, the 2020 Virtual Army Ten-Miler (shout out-our Ten-Miler Team earned 1st place for the Army ROTC Teams!!!), Task

Force Ripley Ranger Challenge (shout out-both our 9 and 5 Person Teams took 2nd place across the Task Force). Over 80% of our students completed the Army Combat Fitness Test events throughout the semester and ended with an average passing score of 480 (High Scores: MSI: CDT John Cleary-551; MSII: CDT Jacob Henriksen-543; MSIII: CDT Alexander Olson-580; MSIV and Highest Overall Male Score: CDT Paul Hockert-591; MSV: CDT Conor Gross-558; Highest Overall Female Score: CDT Kellie Schmidt -448). We also knocked out a 9/11 Memorial Run, our Combat Water Survival Test, Field Medical Training, Obstacle and Field Leader Reaction Courses, and an M4/M16 Range during our FTX allowing almost 90% of our MSIII Cadets to familiarize themselves with the weapons systems and resulting in over half qualifying and CDT Macallister Karrick firing Expert! Over 91% of the MSIIIs who participated in Land Navigation events passed the written test, 82% passing day land navigation events, and 100% passing night land navigation exercises -they are getting ready for CST 21 this summer!

It is also my pleasure to announce our Cadets of the Semester:

MSI-Cadet Leo Puntillo described by his peers as “Someone who is a natural leader, truly brings up the attitude in the room.”

MSII-Cadet Jacob Henriksen, described by his instructor as someone who, “embodied the idea of the student-athlete throughout his overall accomplishments.”

MSIII-Cadet Danielle Camperchioli who has been described as “not only a leader when in charge, but truly understands real followership and the responsibility of a follower to help their leaders lead.”

MSIV-Cadet Nicholas Ambroz who is recognized for his ability to “adapt and overcome unforeseen challenges.”

1. Myrer, Anton, *Once an Eagle*, Harper Torch, 1968. 2. General von Steuben - Valley Forge National Historical Park (U.S. National Park Service) (nps.gov), <https://www.nps.gov/vafo/learn/historyculture/vonsteuben.htm>, 19 Dec 20. 3. Bellamy, Francis, *Pledge of Allegiance*, 1892. 4. Jefferson, Thomas, *United States Declaration of Independence*, 1776.

From the Commandant of Cadets

By MSG Troy Hill



The Challenge of teaching and learning Army tactics during a hybrid semester was challenging to say the least. I commend the Cadre, staff and the Cadets for overcoming these challenges on their way to an outstanding semester of learning, team building, and growing as citizens. We took the lessons learned in our Spring semester's trial by fire and incorporated those into the tried and true instructional methods and strategies of years past.

I would like to welcome a new Cadre member to the team, SFC Robert Kennedy. SFC Kennedy is an active duty Soldier with 21 years of experience. No worries about the winter for him as he is from New York and can handle our "mild" Minnesota winters. We welcome him, his wife and two children to the Gopher Battalion. SFC Kennedy is an active duty recruiter stationed in Minnesota and working for the US Army Recruiting Command. He will be working in the Armory with our Recruiting Officer to ensure that our Cadets are aware of all that is afforded to them if they choose to join the Army Reserve or to give them insight on the active duty side of the Army. We are pleased to have someone here with the amount of knowledge and experience SFC Kennedy has.

I would also like to welcome MAJ Lukas Wright, his wife and two sons to the Gopher Battalion. MAJ Wright will serve as the MSII instructor and the National Guard Liaison. He has already made an impact to our graduating seniors by working with the Minnesota National Guard and getting our Cadets placed in the right position. MAJ Wright brings experience as a National Guardsman, a former St. John's Johnny, and as an Infantry Officer. He is an experienced instructor

and will immediately improve our Ranger Challenge and Buddy Ranger teams with his experience and commitment to a life of physical fitness.

Speaking of physical fitness, we retired the Army Physical Fitness Test (APFT) for the new Army Combat Fitness Test (ACFT). This test will be a better assessment of physical fitness for our Cadets and the Army as a whole. We took two diagnostic ACFTs already this year with outstanding results. We will take two more this upcoming semester and hope to build on the success from this Fall. I am extremely proud of the PT plan that CDT Alyssa Rathke put together this semester and the results are hard to argue with. I know that CDT Bertke will continue to push the battalion for greater success!

Success this semester was easy to see. Our 5 and 9 person Ranger Challenge teams fought tooth and nail and earned second place at the Task Force level competition. I believe that with the tutelage of MAJ Wright and SFC Baldrige the Cadets will earn first place next year. Our Army 10-Miler team continued to improve under the guidance of MSG(R) DeJesus (DJ). Overcoming COVID-19 to take the top Army ROTC program in the nation and barely losing out to every ROTC program. The University of Minnesota Air Force ROTC program narrowly defeated our team, but it was also due to DJ serving as their coach the last few years!

I look forward to seeing our future Second Lieutenants grow and develop their leadership style this final semester for our Seniors. I am amazed at the quality of officers that will be out in the force in less than a year. Although there are many amazing Cadets, I would like to recognize a few who have been exceptional! CDT Rathke has stood out to me as the hardest working, dedicated, physically fit, and brightest Cadet I have had the opportunity to work with. The Minnesota

National Guard is getting a top notch officer. I would also like to recognize our battalion command team. CDT Sattler, CDT Johnson, and CDT Bornstein have taken this tremendous task of leading their peers and excelled. They have led by example all semester and set the stage for continued success under the new leadership team. I have all the faith in the world for CDT Lyons, CDT Afolabi and CDT Brooks. They are extremely bright and motivated. The last Cadet that I believe deserves recognition is CDT Ambroz. He was thrust into the role of Cadet Operations Officer and never looked back. He adjusted to his new role immediately and gave his all to ensure the success of the battalion.

This will be my last semester in the Gopher Battalion as I am set to retire at the end of the semester. I first want to thank all of the Cadre for their support, and especially my boss LTC Hoaglin. LTC Hoaglin has been one of the best leaders I have had the pleasure to serve with in my soon to be 22 years of service. I also want to thank the Cadets who have challenged me, taught me some things, and gave me hope for the future of our Army. I wish them the best of luck and will be following their careers every step of the way! I also want to thank the family, friends, and mentors of our Cadets. You have supported them in every way possible and truly made my job easy. It was a pleasure to pick up where you had already prepared them to continue.

My replacement will be MSG Terry Slaght who is coming from the University of New Hampshire ROTC program. He will replace me after this semester. Having spoke with him, I am confident that he is the right person for this program and have no doubt he will push this program to a whole new level. I am proud to welcome him, his wife and their three children to the Gopher Battalion. **Stay strong, Gopher Strong!**

From the Cadet Command Sergeant Major

By Cadet Quinne Johnson



The University of Minnesota Gopher Battalion Army ROTC just completed one of the most challenging semesters of their college career. We accomplished many tasks in the semester while maintaining COVID safety guidance in order to keep all the Cadets safe and healthy. With a condensed semester, due to the University sending all classes online after Thanksgiving, all Cadets put in a great deal of effort in order to still get great training this semester. We were able to go to Camp Ripley for a Field Training Exercise in September where the Cadets were giv-

en hands-on training in land navigation, basic rifleman skills, basic movement techniques, and medical care. They were also able to complete the Obstacle Course and Field Leadership Reaction Course. We held several labs and a Mega Lead Lab at Arden Hills Army Training Site in order for Cadets to get in-person training with mission type scenarios, practicing reconnaissance, ambush, and raid missions. We were able to complete a 6, 8, and 12-mile ruck. The Cadets also thrived at their last record Army Physical Fitness Test and completed their first and second Army Combat Fitness Test this semester. Some Cadets even went above and beyond and we sent teams to Ranger Challenge and the

virtual Army Ten- Miler Race where all teams performed phenomenally. With many events canceled, postponed, or significantly altered, we were still able to complete all training goals and develop the future officers of the U.S. Army. This semester proved that the Cadets in the Gopher Battalion will continue to push and excel even against adversity. Through our virtual labs and PT after Thanksgiving, Cadets continued to dig deep and motivate their peers through the end of the semester. Even over Zoom, the Cadets of the Gopher Battalion continue to impress me. It definitely wasn't easy but through the hard work of all of the Cadets, I am proud to say it was a success. **Gopher Strong!**

Impact of COVID-19 on ROTC

By Cadet David Bornstein



Minneapolis, MN - The Golden Gopher Battalion initiated a COVID-19 mitigation strategy in conjunction with University of Minnesota - Twin Cities, the State of Minnesota, and the CDC's guidelines and policies. Gopher Battalion emphasized social distancing in all in-person curriculum, and ensured hand sanitizer, gloves, and other Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) was readily available for all Cadets and Cadre. Training had to adapt to the growing pandemic, and in person training had to evolve to ensure Cadets received the required

training they would need going into advanced training and camp environments for ROTC, in addition to ensuring their academic success within the program. The Gopher Battalion initiated a stringent policy regarding any contact with COVID-19 to keep all staff and Cadets safe, and to allow training to continue throughout the semester. Without due diligence, adherence to CDC recommendations and guidelines, the Battalion would not have had the opportunity to conduct multiple in-person Leadership Labs, Field Training Exercises (FTX),

and our Mega Leadership Lab. The program as a whole had to adapt to the higher stressors exerted on Cadets and Staff, and likewise make accommodations due to the pandemic. Without a doubt, the resiliency and resolve to accomplish the mission, and take care of Cadets, ensured Gopher Battalion's ability to execute all training requirements for the semester, and better prepared the Battalion to continue to engage the prospect of COVID-19 for the foreseeable future. **Gopher Strong!**

Fall Field Training Exercise (FTX)

By Cadet Tyler Wood



Camp Ripley, MN - The Gopher Battalion kicked off the semester by conducting Fall FTX 18-20 September 2020 at Camp Ripley Training Center in Little Falls, MN. This experience was mainly geared towards the MSI, MSII, and MSIII Cadets to improve their soldiering skills as well as include some fun training. Cadets got the opportunity to qualify on the M4 weapon, for many Cadets this was their first time shooting a rifle and for some even a weapon in general. Cadets also got the opportunity to run through the obstacle course on base known as the "O-course". Cadets showed bravery and mental toughness pushing through

some challenging obstacles. Cadets also learned about the basics of TCCC (Tactical Combat Casualty Care) and first aid. Like most FTX's from the past Cadets were required to complete both night and day land navigation. MS1 and MSII Cadets were taught land navigation, while the MSIII Cadets were individually tested on a challenging course. Another important component of the Fall FTX was the drill and ceremony practice that is essential for any Army Officer and Cadet to be knowledgeable in. Here MSIV instructors and Cadre taught Cadets the basics of drill and ceremony, which is information these Cadets will have to use for the rest of their Army career. The Cadets also received a very important brief on Equal Opportunity (EO) and Sexual Harassment/Assault Response and Prevention program (SHARP) from Cadre and MSIV representatives. The cumulative events of the Fall FTX were an introduction to tactics and a situational leadership course. Cadets were introduced to the basics of move-

ment as well as individual tasks such as sectors of fire and hand/arm signals. During the situational leadership course, Cadets demonstrated calm and collected decision making under stressful conditions while also building team cohesion working together in groups to accomplish objectives. All Cadets that attended the 3-day exercise showed up motivated and ready to learn! Gopher Battalion conducts an FTX once per semester to train MSIs and MSIIIs in basic soldier skills and to prepare MSIIIs for Advanced Camp, which is required to attend after MSIII year in order to commission as a Second Lieutenant. The FTX operation ran smoothly under the organization of the XO (staff management), S3 section (training & operations), and S4 section (logistics & supply). Preparation was condensed and rigorous, yet completed within 2 weeks of the FTX. MSIs-MSIIIs were motivated to train and MSIVs worked hard to ensure the training ran smoothly, both before and after the event.

Army Ten-Miler (Virtual Edition)

By Cadet Taylor Lyons

Stillwater, MN - On October 11th, 2020, the Golden Gopher Battalion hosted the 36th Annual Army Ten-Miler-Minnesota Virtual Edition for multiple local Reserve Officer's Training Corps (ROTC) programs and military affiliated groups. With the support of the Vessey Association of the United States Army (AUSA) Chapter, the race was conducted at the Gateway Trail System in Stillwater, MN. Army

ROTC Teams from Minnesota State Mankato, St. John's University and University of Minnesota, as well as the University of Minnesota's Navy and Air Force ROTC Teams, and the elite Vessey Chapter Women's Team competed for the Best in the State award. The Vessey Team led the field with a total time of 4:13:55 followed by the Gopher Battalion team with 4:15:07. Nationwide the Golden Gophers placed

4th overall in the Academies & ROTC Division. (Fastest team in Cadet Command) The top overall runner for our virtual event was Cadet Macallister Karrick with an impressive time of 58:19. Cadet Karrick also placed 59th out of over 23,000 runners at the national level. Congratulations to the University of Minnesota Army ROTC team for their awesome performance at the 36th Annual Army Ten-Miler.



PMS presents the Top Female award to CDT Lyons



Cadets from the Golden Gopher Battalion ready to kick off the Virtual Edition Army Ten-Miler.



CDT Karrick placed 1st overall with a time of 58:19

Ranger Challenge Competition

By Cadet Paul Hockert

Camp Ripley, MN — Earlier this semester, the Golden Gopher Battalion competed in the annual Ranger Challenge competition at Camp Ripley, MN. This year we had a huge Cadet interest in Ranger Challenge and we were able to field both a 9-person and a 5-person team to compete. Competing on the 9-person team was Cadets VandenBergh, Yurek, Karrick, Bertke, Gonzalez, Crary, McAnahan, Kettner, Collinge, Rathke and Hockert. Competing on the 5-man team was Cadets Schmidt, Camperchioli, Roddel, Wood, Olson, Mann, and Erickson. During the competition, our Cadets

took part in a variety of events: Basic Rifle Marksmanship (BRM), Knowledge Exam, Obstacle Course, Hand Grenade Assault Course, One-Rope Bridge, Call for Fire, TCCC, a Physical Fitness Challenge, a Mystery event, and a 10k ruck march with a gear layout at the finish line. The competition was very physically and mentally demanding. However, through weeks of training and dedication, our two teams came ready to compete and each brought home 2nd place overall. This year was a huge success, with Cadets from all MS levels competing. Ranger Challenge is a great opportunity to develop

your leadership and soldiering skills, so if you are interested, let Cadet VandenBergh or myself know. We look forward to training hard again and taking first place next year! **Gopher Strong!**



Cadets Roddel, Kerrick, & Crary conducting weapons familiarization at Camp Ripley during the Ranger Challenge competition.



Cadet _____ plotting points during the Land Navigation event.

U.S. Army Newest Second Lieutenants - Class of 2020

We would like to recognize the new Lieutenants by Name, Degree, and Branch:

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| 1. Kevin Dong | BAS Healthcare Services Management | Military Intelligence |
| 2. Conner Gross | BA Sociology | Infantry |
| 3. Stephanie Hernandez | BA Sociology | Transportation |
| 4. Jack Thalhuber | BS Finance | Finance |
| 5. Alexander Weddle | BS Finance and Accounting | Finance |

SMP Cadet in the Minnesota Army National Guard

By Cadet Nicholas Ambroz



Minneapolis, MN—I am from Cottage Grove, Minnesota and am a 35F Intelligence Analyst) in the Minnesota National Guard. I am currently assigned to a Mechanized Infantry Company and have had various roles and experiences as an SMP Cadet. The transition from a Military Intelligence Company to an Infantry Company has given me a unique outlook on Army operations. As an analyst, I received training on understanding enemy doctrine and briefing this understanding to maneuvering commanders. To grow as

a future officer, I wanted to understand what maneuvering officers must understand in order to make their mission successful. This has brought me to B-Co, 2-136 IN (Combined Arms Battalion). I have gotten the opportunity to shadow and also lead an infantry platoon. This has been done in regards to scheduling, planning and executing many ranges. A typical drill weekend may be four days, with at least six ranges being used by our company. I have been able to participate and plan ranges from: AT-4, MK-19, 50 cal, Mossberg 500 shotgun, annual M2 Gunnery and various M4 ranges. I participated in a three week long XCTC rotation at Fort Hood, TX. Though there are many stories to tell in this experience; the most important is planning and executing platoon missions. My experience in the MNARNG has been successful because I am a member of Gopher Battalion. I have been able to interact with cadre, peers and alumni to assist my development as an

SMP Cadet. In addition to training during school, ROTC has given me experiences of CTLT (Fort Benning, GA) and a government internship (Fort Meade, MD). Unfortunately COVID-19 didn't allow my internship to happen. It did allow me to be activated with my platoon, however. Being an SMP Cadet has offered first hand experience to motivate me to continue growing in order to be a professional officer in the Army. I am now scheduled to commission as a Military Intelligence Officer in the Minnesota National Guard. My recommendation for all Cadets in our program is to put yourself in the most uncomfortable and unfamiliar positions. Especially for those in the MNARNG, familiarize yourself with the functions of the Brigade Combat Team. Go into your drill weekends and events ready to learn these concepts. You are surrounded by professionals who will train you on these concepts so you may lead Soldiers upon commissioning.

Experience Being a Cadet in the Army Reserve

By Cadet Alex Weddle

Minneapolis, MN—I am a 42A (Human Resource Specialist) in the U.S. Army Reserve. As a SMP Cadet I have been able to have many different experiences than other Cadets. ROTC teaches you many different concepts from tactics to drill and ceremony, but you can only learn so much without experiencing how the Army operates. As a SMP Cadet I have been given controls of TOCs, convoys, and base defenses when I otherwise would not have been given these opportunities to lead. These unique experiences allowed me to apply what I have learned in ROTC and see how it works in a structure outside of the ROTC training situations. Actively drilling with an Army Reserve unit also allows one to learn things that they wouldn't have learned in ROTC. Some examples include running a range, operating and commanding a convoy, and operating a RSOI (Reception, staging, onward movement, and integration) station. As

a SMP Cadet, I was able to regularly sit in on company and battalion leaders' meetings that exposed me to what officers do regularly that are not typically seen. I was given the opportunity to shadow company Commanders and Executive Officers, seeing how their jobs worked and learning different lessons in leadership from each of them. I was also fortunate enough to receive the role of Platoon Leader for a fiscal year. Being a Platoon Leader taught me lessons on how to become a better leader. I was able to interact with many different kinds of people in the platoon, each giving me valuable insights into them and the platoon. The time as Platoon Leader was an invaluable experience that many others never get in their military career. The training and experience I got from both ROTC and the Army Reserve complements each other making me a better Cadet. As I move forward toward commissioning and becoming an Of-

ficer in the Army Reserve, I know I will have an advantage over my peers due to my experience as a SMP Cadet.



Cadets Weddle & Dong during a Army Reserve weekend drill.

Sights from Fall 2020



Golden Gophers Cadets during the Task Force Ripley Ranger Challenge



Gopher Cadets conducting the last APFT as we transition to the new ACFT



CDT Meurer giving orders during Lanes Training at Arden Hills Training Center



Gopher Cadets during Ranger Challenge at Camp Ripley, MN



Cadet Brown and an Air Force ROTC Cadet during the Army Ten-Miler



Cadets checking their targets during BRM at Camp Ripley, MN

Sights from Fall 2020



Cadets conducting first aid training during the Fall FTX



Cadets Schmidt, Miller & Theune-Baillargeon during the Army Ten-Miler Event



Gopher Cadets during traditional Halloween Physical Training (PT)



Cadet Afolabi during Basic Rifle Marksmanship at Camp Ripley, MN



Cadets completing the "Jacobs ladder" at the Camp Ripley Confidence Course



Cadets working through a team building event at Camp Ripley

Spring 2020 Calendar

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| Classes Begin | 19 JAN 21 | Cadet Fun Lab | 27 JAN 21 | (T) JMAC | 6 FEB 21 |
| Northern Warfare Challenge | 19-20 FEB 21 | Winter Survival Lab | 20 FEB 21 | MS 4 Staff Ride | 26 FEB 21 |
| Mega Lead Lab | 12-13 MAR 21 | 12 Mile Ruck March | 26 MAR 2 | Buddy Ranger | 8-11 APR 21 |
| Bataan Death March | 9-18 APR 21 | CFTX | 15-18 APR 21 | Joint Service Review | 24 APR 21 |
| Senior Dinner (T) | 24 APR 21 | Commissioning Ceremony | 13 MAY 21 | Mini Camp | 20-21 MAY 21 |



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