

Challenge Night

Mission. Company Training Cadres introduced to Cadet Recruits and train Cadet Recruits on basic military movements required of fourth-class cadets upon formal initiation of the Four Class System. At the conclusion of Challenge Night, Cadet Recruits introduced to the members of their respective training cadres and they will be able to demonstrate the proper execution of bracing (exaggerated position of attention required of 4C Cadets), driving stairs, squaring corners, and proper greetings/responses to Cadet Officers and NCOs.

Intent. The intent of Challenge Night is to mark the formal beginning of the Four Class System for the Academic Year. The event serves as a bookend with Recognition Day, which marks the formal conclusion of the Four Class System for the Academic Year.

Concept of Operations. Within 8-hours of Cadet Recruit matriculation, Company First Sergeants will teach Cadet Recruits, in a classroom environment, the proper way to navigate campus and the authorized way to conduct themselves on campus once the Regimental Commander announces that the Four Class System is in effect. Upon completion of the classroom instruction, 4th Class Cadets will return to their Company areas within the barracks to be introduced to their Training Cadres. Upon initiation of the Four Class System, Training Cadres (PSG, SQD SGTs) will train proper movements expected of 4th Class Cadets and have them demonstrate competency in these movements. Battalion and Company Commanders are responsible for planning and resourcing this training event, including rehearsals/walk through and proper risk management to ensure professional and safe execution. During the execution of Challenge Night, Cadet Officers and 1SGs will not serve as instructors. Cadet Officers and 1SGs will serve in an over watch capacity for their respective Training Cadres, ensuring professional execution of the event and actively mitigating or halting any risky activity.