**2017 Grand Prairie Shoot-Out**

**Academic Challenge**

1. Purpose: To provide information on preparation and conduct of the Academic Challenge competition for the Grand Prairie Shoot-Out Drill Competition.

2. General: Academic Challenge is a timed, two-phased (gender neutral) team event, involving a four (4) member team. All members will contribute to the final team score. One cadet must be designated as Team Captain and spokesperson, by a cadre instructor prior to competition. Seven (7) categories (below) have been selected to contain general knowledge questions for any JROTC cadet. Questions have been developed with ONLY ONE possible answer. Coaches may not enter the testing rooms.

**Phase-1** is an individual examination consisting of 20 questions from all categories. Strict procedures will be observed and cadets talking and/or making verbal gestures will be disqualified. The test will be conducted and graded on the Classroom Performance System **(CPS)** and each question will have a time limit. The time limit for all CPS exams will be determined by the NCOIC and posted at the entrance to the test area prior to testing. Each cadet will be assigned one CPS remote to take the examination. Cadets will be given instructions on how to operate CPS prior to testing.

**Phase-2** is a Teamcompetition consisting of a jeopardy round with questions derived from several different categories. The Cadets will be allowed to huddle and collaborate on each response and must give the response within the allotted time.

**Categories:** Leadership Customs & Courtesies

 Drill & Ceremony Military History

 U.S. Flags Citizenship

 Current Events

Phase I. “Individual Examination.” Teams will report to the “holding area” at Station #1, NLT 10 minutes before start time. Upon entering the testing area, no talking will be allowed, except for the Captain responding to the Judge doing the briefing on administrative procedures. ONLY ONE answer is possible per question. Teams will be allotted ten (10) minutes to answer the 20 questions. The exam will consist of questions from all categories. Any violation of examination, or competition protocols will be grounds for team disqualification. The Team Captain will have 2-minutes to move his/her team to the next station. Scoring will be completed upon departure. Each individual team member’s exam will be scored, then sub-totaled and combined with Phase-2 for the overall team score.

Phase II. “Team Jeopardy.” Captains must arrive at Station #2 within the time allotted and report to the Judge. One member must be identified as “Spokesperson” for all team answers. Upon entering the testing area, no talking will be allowed, except for the Captain responding to the Judge doing the briefing on administrative procedures. The team will be given one additional minute for final preparations. The team will respond to as many questions as possible during the time limit. Fifteen (15) seconds will be allowed for each response. The team is allowed to huddle and collaborate on each response; the designated spokesperson must give the response within the allotted time; then remain quiet for the next question. This process will repeat itself until all responses are complete. Any violation of examination, or competition protocols will be grounds for team disqualification. Upon dismissal the Captain will immediately move the team from the testing area. No loitering will be allowed. Scoring will be completed upon departure. The team jeopardy exam will be scored, then again sub-totaled, and combined with Phase-I for the overall team score.

SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS:

-All contestants will be under strict orders to avoid any discussion of testing to ANYONE.

-Uniform: Military uniform as designated by unit instructor.

-No loitering in the “testing site” after competition.

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# Team Total

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School Name: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

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| 2. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ | \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ |
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| **Team Exam Total** | **\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_** |
| **Jeopardy Total** | **\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_** |

Judge’s Signature: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_