



**Louisiana National Guard  
Youth ChalleNGe Program  
Gillis W. Long Center  
5445 Point Clair Road, Bldg. #20  
Carville, Louisiana 70721**

3 November 2017

First Family Day Letter

Dear Parents/Guardians and Mentors:

9 December 2017 is Family Day at the Youth Challenge Program. This event is scheduled from 10:00 a.m. until 4:00 p.m. on the grounds of Gillis W. Long Center. The gates will open at 8:00 a.m. drivers **MUST HAVE A VALID DRIVER'S LICENSE** to be allowed through the gates onto the post. Please have the driver's license within arm's reach and ready to show the Military Police at the gate.

If you are using GPS Navigation System for directions please input 5445 Point Clair Rd. Carville, LA 70721 as address. It will bring you to the front gate of Gillis W. Long Center. Once you reach the front gate, inform the Military Police that you are here for the YCP Family Day, they will provide additional instructions. Please note that this address is for GPS purposes only, this is not a mailing address for cadets.

**There is a 10:00 a.m. Parent's /Guardian's meeting** at the Post Theater (Building 9), it is **important** for parents or guardians **to attend** this meeting. **Please be on time.** Following the meeting there will be tour of the barracks and classrooms.

The cadets have been working very hard in military drill and ceremonies among other things and are eagerly awaiting for this day to show you what they have learned so far, we encourage you to bring your camera and be ready for picture taking, be proud of your son/daughter and encourage him/her on what he/she have accomplished so far.

The Counseling Department and Teachers will be available from 10:00 to 2:00 to answer questions and address any concerns should you have any. If information such as social security, consent form, copy of birth certificate, copy of social security card has not been sent to the Counseling Department as requested, please bring a copy of those items with you. Remember, state issued driver's license or ID are required if your child qualifies to take the HiSet.

The Nursing Department will also be available from 10:00 to 2:00 to accept any prescription refills. If you would like YCP to provide refills for prescribed medication, you will need to notify the Nursing Department and provide current billing information.

Many of the cadets are running low on personal items. Please replenish these items by bringing soap, shampoo, deodorant, etc. to family day.



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**ITEMS YOU SHOULD BRING IN ORDER TO ENJOY FAMILY DAY:**

**Lawn chairs**  
**Grills (to include supplies)**  
**Cookers**  
**Tables**  
**Tent**  
**Picnic blanket**  
**Soft drinks**  
**Water**  
**Crawfish boils**  
**Whatever food your cadet would like to eat**

**\*\*There will not be food or supplies provided by the Youth Challenge Program for families attending family day.**

**ITEMS NOT ALLOWED ON POST:**

- \*Fire arms – all guests are subject to random vehicle searches. If contraband is found in your vehicle, you and all guest in vehicle will be asked to leave the post.**
- \*Pets – Pets are not allowed on post**
- \* Alcoholic beverages**
- \*Tobacco products– of any kind**
- \* Energy drinks- we urge you not to bring energy drink as they contain extremely high amounts of caffeine. Your child has not been ingesting caffeine while at YCP, so these drinks could make them very ill.**

Your cadet will be free to be with you from approximately 11:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Tailgating is prohibited on post. Cadets are not allowed in the parking area and they are not allowed to leave the post at any time.

In the event you are not able to attend Family Day please contact your child's counselor so we can help him/her cope with the situation. If you have any questions or concerns regarding Family Day you can contact us during regular business hours (Monday-Friday 7:30a.m.-4:00p.m.) at (800) 243-0911.

We look forward to seeing you.

Sincerely,



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Director, YCP-GL

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RE: Family Day Additional Information

Gillis Long Cadets received a presentation from the Grad Shop regarding graduation supplies and rings on December 8, 2017. Cadets will receive ring and graduation supply packages to have on Family Day for them to discuss with you and discuss what would you like to order. It is desirable that you fill out the order with your cadet on Family Day.

A representative from the Grad Shop will be available to speak to you regarding graduation supplies. This includes graduation rings and invitations. **Orders will not be taken on Family Day.** YCP provides this reputable dealer for your convenience, however, families are not required to order anything from this company. Should you decide to use The Grad Shop, the representative will be conveniently located under the New Pavilion from 10:00a.m. until 2:00p.m.

Ring and supply orders will be taken from cadets on Thursday-Friday, December 14-15, 2017. Ring orders require a \$50.00 deposit and the graduation supply orders require a \$50.00 deposit; if ordering both, a single \$100.00 check/money order will be accepted-NO CASH.

If your cadet is unable to provide the order on December 14-15, you can contact the vendor directly at (225) 928-5502 and place the order directly.

