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From: Colorado Meet Officer in Charge, Naval Reserve Officers
Training Corps, University of Colorado

To: All Hands

Subj: COLORADO MEET KNOWLEDGE COMPETITION LETTER OF INSTRUCTION

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1. Orientation. The Knowledge Competition will take place at the Math Building in room 100, on the campus of the University of Colorado, Boulder.

2. Situation. CU NROTC will host and execute a fair and intellectually challenging Knowledge Competition between NROTC Units across the United States. This will be held in Math 100 at University of Colorado, Boulder, on 04 March 2022 from 1700 to 2130.

3. Mission. On 04 March 2022 from 1700 to 2130, CU NROTC will conduct the 2021 Knowledge Competition to challenge midshipmen on military knowledge and bearing in a competitive environment.

4. Execution

a. Commander's Intent

(1) Purpose. The primary objectives of the Colorado Meet are to instill confidence in future Naval and Marine Corps officers, provide an environment for a healthy and challenging competition, as well as strengthen camaraderie between competitors and all working personnel. The Colorado Meet provides an opportunity for all competitors and all personnel to train, demonstrate, and evaluate their leadership skills necessary for performing in The Navy and Marine Corps.

(2) Endstate. All participants of the 2022 Colorado Meet will perform in a challenging and safe environment which will be safe, enjoyable, and productive for all who attend.

b. Concept of Operations. The participants of the competition will be organized into squads of four. The teams will consist of four (4) NROTC members. There will be at least one (1) Navy option and (1) Marine option midshipman in each team. Only one (1) team member may be a MECEP or OC. Squads will check in with the knowledge team AOIC no later than fifteen minutes prior to their start time. The team will be expected to maintain military bearing while facing intellectual challenges. The competition will be monitored by proctors and event staff.

c. Scheme of Maneuver

(1) Teams will be formed and will have reached out to the Knowledge Competition OIC, MIDN Vandersmith, no later than 01 March 2022.

(2) The schedule for the competition is included in Enclosure 2.

(3) Teams will be permitted to bring their grievances on how the event was run to the Knowledge Competition OIC after the event is over. They will not be permitted to do so before it is completed.

d. Tasks

(1) All Participants. All participants are expected to bring the specified gear and review and understand all information in this LOI.

(2) Squads. The squad is expected to assign a Team Captain, who will be the point of contact for their squad. The squad will choose a Team Captain and provide their contact details to the Knowledge Competition OIC, MIDN Vandersmith, no later than 18 February 2022.

(3) Team Captains. Team Captain is expected to be the point of contact between the Knowledge Competition OIC and the squad. All communications to and from the team will be sent through the Team Captain. During the competition, the Team Captain is responsible for ensuring the team is ready and in position at their designated time.

(4) Knowledge Competition OIC. The CU NROTC Knowledge Competition OIC is responsible for sending documents and information in a timely manner.

(5) Knowledge Competition AOIC. The CU NROTC Knowledge Competition AOIC is responsible for ensuring the competition is run on time and all personnel are in their correct locations. They are also responsible for checking in the teams.

(6) Proctors. The Proctors are responsible for ensuring the integrity of the competition and judging military bearing. They will keep track of the score.

(7) Scorekeeper. The Scorekeeper is responsible for receiving the scores from the proctors and keeping the total scores for each team. The score will be calculated and displayed for teams to see.

5. Administration and Logistics

a. Administration. There will be four proctors. The proctor is responsible for moderating the competition while three midshipmen will monitor the integrity of the competing teams.

b. Logistics.

(1) CU NROTC staff will ensure that all competition gear is provided.

(2) Teams are expected to wear NWU Type III or MARPAT uniforms. They are expected to carry a pen with them.

6. Command and Signal.

a. Command. Knowledge Competition OIC MIDN 2/C Vandersmith and AOIC MIDN 3/C Elligot will be reachable via cell phone at all times.

b. Signal. Cell Phones will be used by all event staff in order to reach the chain of command as deemed necessary.

(1) Point of Contact.

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D.W. Danos

COMPETITION LAYOUT (1)

(Competition Structure) A family feud style template will be used for each round. The template will consist of questions that fit into a certain category. Each category will have five to six questions. Some questions will be worth more points than others based on their difficulty. It will start with a contestant from each team coming to the podium. The category will be displayed on the projector screen. As soon as the first question is displayed the first contestant to hit their buzzer will have an opportunity to answer the question. If the contestant answers the question right, their team (team 1) will get the chance to answer the rest of the other questions in the category. If their team answers all of the questions correctly they will be awarded with the total amount of points from each question. Each time they answer a question incorrectly they will earn themselves a strike. They have up to three strikes. If the team gets three strikes, the other team (team 2) will be given the chance to answer the rest of the questions. If the team (team 2) answers the remaining questions, they will be awarded the total points from each question in the category. If the team (team 2) fails to answer the remaining questions correctly, the team that started (team 1) will receive points only for the questions they answered correctly. There will be 3 rounds of 3 different categories. The team who earns the most points will be declared the winner. One point may be deducted per question if a team loses military bearing. All questions will be pulled from: The Bluejacket's Manual; Historical Atlas of the U.S. Navy (Symonds); Watch Officer's Guide 15th Edition; The Marine Officer's Guide 7th Edition; and The United States Coast Guard Navigation Rules and Regulations Handbook, August 2014 Edition. Teams should also be familiar with famous Navy and Marine Corps officers and battles, as well as land navigation and maneuvering boards.

(Advancement) The competition will begin with 8 groups (if there are 10 that enter, a baseline knowledge test will be given and the top 8 scores will move on to the bracket). First round will consist of 4 games. The teams who compete against each other will be decided at random. The winners of each game will move on to the next round. The second round will consist of 2 games. The winners will proceed to the final round. First place will be given to the winner of the last round and second place will be given to the other team who moves on to the final round. Third place will be decided between the two teams who lost in the second round. Whoever has the most points from the round will take third place.

(In Case of a Tie) In the case of a tie, each group of tied teams will be given a final question to break the tie.

Timeline (2)

Time	What	
1700	Check in	
1715	Elimination Round	
1730	First Match	Round 1
1745	Next groups check-in	
1800	Second Match	
1815	Next groups check-in	
1830	Third Match	
1845	Next groups check-in	
1900	Fourth Match	
1915	First Round Ends	
1930	Next groups check-in	Round 2
1945	First Match	
2000	Next groups check-in	
2015	Second Match	
2030	Semifinal Ends	
2045	Final Begin	Round 3
2100	Finals End	

SAMPLE QUESTIONS (3)

These are questions that could appear in the competition or share a similar format. The questions asked will not be limited to these.

What is the fourth General Order of the Sentry?

What is the fifth Article of the Code of Conduct?

Describe the following Aircraft Designations

VFA

SH

EA

Identify the following Naval ships/boats

SSN

SSGN

SSBN

DDG

Identify and be familiar with images of the following Marine Corps Vehicles

M1A2 Abrams Main Battle Tank

High Mobility Multipurpose Wheeled Vehicle (HMMWV)

All-Terrain Vehicle

Buffalo Mine Protected Route Clearance Vehicle

Cougar 4x4 MRAP

LAV-25 Light Armored Vehicle

Other vehicles

Identify the ranks in the Navy

Identify the ranks in the Marine Corps

Identify the person who said: "Damn the torpedoes, full steam ahead!"

AFTER ACTION REPORT:

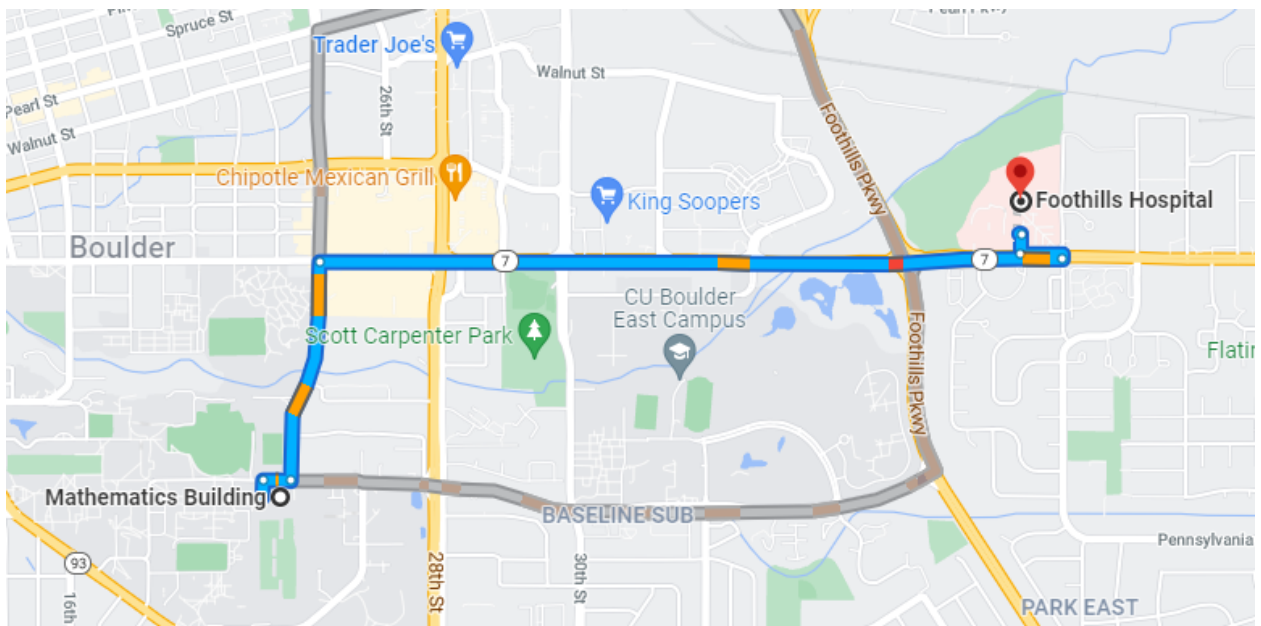
What did you like about the competition?

What did you not like about the competition?

If you were in charge of this competition, what would you change for next year?

Emergency Evacuation Plan

In case of an emergency, call 911 immediately.



Initial Position: Mathematics Building

Destination: Foothills Hospital, 4747 Arapahoe Ave, Boulder, CO 80303