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# Fishburne Newsletter-August 2020

## Cadets Pull Through Trying Times



### Leadership Week

The 2020-2021 school year for Fishburne started off by making history as one of the only schools fully opening back up in the nation. After cadets passed through a prescreen for COVID-19, they were then sent on rigorous leadership training throughout the week. This training consisted of learning about the obligations of the new Battalion leadership and firm advice about how to lead the Corps of Cadets. SgtMaj Willy Carrion said “Our cadets are leaders whose true character is exposed during these challenging times.” They were also taught the skills of Drill and Ceremony and how to properly conduct physical training with the COVID-19 restrictions such as keeping a 6ft distance and washing hands after raining. As the week concludes from the intense training, the cadets are given their positions\*. When the cadets are given their responsibilities, the clock starts for preparing the barracks and the Battalion staff for new cadets, and “old men.” Friday was the craziest day of the week, due to the fact that it took the whole day for the Battalion leaders to prepare for the arrival of cadets.

\*please see New Cadet Leadership for reference.

## Welcoming New Cadets

This year Fishburne welcomed around 40 new cadets, therefore the total intake for this year was around 115 cadets. Due to other schools in the area not continuing to do in person classes, Fishburne saw an increase in day-student cadets. Fishburne is dedicated to keeping the school clean and virus free. With there being an influx of day-student cadets, Fishburne is screening every cadet every morning and making sure they change into new clothes before entering the school. Another new safety measure is that all weekends will be closed weekends. Closed weekends are when no 7-day boarders are allowed to leave the campus; in return Fishburne is allowing companies to deliver food and groceries. They are also doing weekend activities on campus such as field days.



## First Formation

This year's First Formation was a little different from previous years, as it was the first formation in the 2020-2021 school year to be completely virtual, using social media platforms like facebook for people to be able to view the ceremony. This year Fishburne was happy to welcome the new Battalion Commander for the 2020-2021 school year William Terry, and the new Battalion command Sergeant Major Cadlee Jarvis, Fishburne was also excited to introduce the new four Company Commanders. Alpha Company will be led by Riley Malone. Bravo Company will be led by Rahmes Hall. Charlie Company will be led by Benjamin Jarret, and lastly Band Company will be led by Darian Belisle. The Superintendent of Fishburne Cpt. Mark E. Black addressed the corps stating "My charge to the Fishburne Military School Corps of Cadets is to be strong and courageous. I challenge all the cadets of the Corps to confront the challenges that we face this year and develop solutions to complete the academic year successfully. This year's circumstances provide the Corps a great opportunity to overcome adversity and prepare yourselves to lead others in the future."





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## New Cadet Leadership

- Battalion Commander- William Terry
- Battalion Executive Officer- Joshua Elms (assistant- Joseph Caddies)
- Battalion Sergeant Major- Cadlee Jarvis
- Battalion S-1- Francis Ko (assistant- Ryan Manning)
- Battalion S-2- Wesley Loe (assistant- Logan Hall)
- Battalion S-3- Kobe Parker (assistant- Colton Trundy)
- Battalion S-4- John Mulvany (assistant- Andrew Watkins)
- Battalion S-5- Colby Brown (assistant- Maximis Davis)
- Battalion S-6- Dominick Brown (assistant- Seth Leinonen)
- Battalion S-7- Jacob Shaw (assistants- Nathan Alexander, Pere Howlett)
- Alpha Company Commander- Riley Malone
  - Executive Officer- John Smith
  - Platoon Leader - Derek Baldovin
  - First Sergeant- Micheal Ball
  - Platoon Sergeant- Lloyd Kloski
- Bravo Company Commander- Rahmes Hall
  - Executive Officer- Kerry Cummings
  - First Sergeant- Nick Hurtado
  - Platoon Sergeant- John Sawn
- Charlie Company Commander- Benjamin Jarret
  - Executive Officer- Charles Hamrick
  - Platoon Leader- Peja Brent
  - First Sergeant- Gavin Sengar
  - Platoon Sergeant- Ziyuan Wu
- Band Company Commander- Darian Belisle
  - Executive Officer- Ethan Guadin
  - First Sergeant- Joseph Christian
  - Platoon Sergeant- Justin Hill