APS-NAHS 6 November 2024

MEMORANDUM FOR SEE DISTRIBUTION

SUBJECT: North Atlanta High School Drill Team and Color Guard Meet for SY 2024-2025

1. REFERENCES:

 a. Standard Operating Procedures (SOP) 6th BDE JROTC Drill Meet Competitions 13 November

2023

 b. HQ, 6th Brigade (ROTC), U. S. Army Cadet Command memorandum dated 24 January 2022

 c. TC 3-21.5, Drill and Ceremonies, dtd JAN 2012

 d. AR 840-10, dtd JUL 2017

2. PURPOSE:

 a. Prescribe the rules for North Atlanta High School Drill Team and Color Guard Meet for 14 December 2024.

 b. Establish procedures for the conduct of the meet. The Drill Team and Color Guard Competition will follow the same guidelines as the State Drill Team and Color Guard Competition.

3. OBJECTIVES:

 a. Assist participating teams in the preparation for and conduct of the meet.

 b. Judge participating teams and individuals fairly and equally.

4. CONCEPT AND POLICY:

 a. The North Atlanta Drill Meet will be held on Saturday, 14 December 2024, beginning at 0830 hours, at North Atlanta High School. The drill events will be held on the football field. In the event of severe/inclement weather, activities will be conducted in the North Atlanta High School Gymnasium. Please contact 1SG Barker at (404) 802-4739 if you need any information.

 b. Judges for the meet will be either be US Army, Army National Guard or Army Reserves. The specific breakout of numbers and organizations will be determined as soon as possible. The judges meeting/training will be conducted **at 0715** in a classroom located on the south end of the gymnasium. North Atlanta will provide a light (continental) breakfast for judges; however, lunch is on your own. We are asking that each school attending provides **AT LEAST one AI to serve as a judge. Mays and Therrell High Schools will provide two judges each.**

 c. There will be no opening ceremony; however, teams will be required to be at the meet for their scheduled event. There will be a coaches meeting **at 0745** prior to the start of the competition in the same location as the judges meeting. The program coach or his/her representative must attend in order to pick-up score sheets for your events. Please come prepared to participate.

 d. JROTC instructors will wear the Class B uniform with beret IAW Cadet Command policy. Judges will wear the ACU/OCP uniform with soft cap. Cadets will wear the Army issued JROTC **Class A** **uniform** and gray beret, with all **authorized accessories (to include rank, nameplate, and ribbons)**—nameplates must be worn during all competition events.

 e. **A drill platoon** will consist of no less than 13 members—Team Commander and **three squads of four Cadets.** There will be a 20-point penalty for each cadet under the required minimum. There will be no blind folds or masks allowed for platoon exhibition. **A drill squad** will consist of no less than seven members—Team Commander and six Cadets; the maximum number of Cadets is 11. There will be a 20-point penalty for each cadet over or under the maximum and minimum number of cadets. There will be no blind folds or masks allowed for squad exhibition. **The Color Guard** team will consist of four Cadets. The Color Guard will carry the U.S. flag and either the Georgia flag or JROTC flag. The flag staffs will be 9.5 or 8 feet long. No flag smaller than 3’X4’ or larger than 4’X5’ may be used in the competition. **Flag cases will be Army issue cases.** (see pg 8, para (4) of Bde SOP).

 f. **Competition Events**.

 **Category 1** **(male/mix)** **Category 2 (female)**

**Color Guard Regulation** **Female Color Guard Regulation**

**Armed Platoon Regulation Female Armed Platoon Regulation**

**Armed Squad Regulation Female Armed Squad Regulation**

**Unarmed Platoon Regulation Female Unarmed Platoon Regulation**

**Unarmed Squad Regulation Female Unarmed Squad Regulation**

**Male Individual Exhibition Female Individual Exhibition**

**Dual Exhibition Female Dual Exhibition**

**Platoon Exhibition Female Platoon Exhibition**

**Squad Exhibition Female Squad Exhibition**

**Knockout Drill (Unarmed) Regulation Knockout Drill (Armed) Regulation**

 g. A Cadet may compete in all events in Category 1 or Category 2 or a combination of both. However, a Cadet **CAN NOT** compete in like events in both categories. **You must email the events you will be competing in not later than 10 December 2024.** This is essential in order to finalize judge/evaluator requirements, trophy requirements and scheduling of events for each school.

 h. Cadets may compete in Knockout Drill (Armed) and (Unarmed). Knockout Drill will be open to all Cadets at the meet at a cost of $1.00 for Armed and $1.00 for Unarmed. Tickets will be sold and collected at the entrance to the field prior to the start of knockout competitions.

 i. Male Cadets MUST compete in only Male/Mix events; females may compete in either. Females competing in Male/Mix events MUST use standard weight drill rifles. Coaches are responsible for monitoring their own teams and individuals for compliance. Cadets will not have to qualify in the Area Meet in individual Knockout Drill.

j**. The ‘Description of Events’, ‘Drill Field Layout’, and ‘Event Score Sheets’ will be the same as those outlined in Sixth Brigade SOP Annexes C, D and E. Be sure to review these closely.**

 k. Weapons: All members of a drill team must be armed with the same weapon. All rifles must have a sling on the rifle; however, the rifle slings may be taped for Regulation and/or Exhibition events. Authorized rifles will be unmodified. All members of a team **MUST** use the same type of rifle.

**Judges will inspect rifles in the ready area prior to a team competing to confirm that they are within regulation.** Authorized weapons are:

(1) M1903-A3 rifle

 l. Scoring: The sequence for regulation and the color guard categories will be IAW the 6th Brigade scoring sheets. Sequence of events must be memorized in order and no assistance can be provided to drill

team members during the execution of each event. All complaints must be registered with the Drill Meet OIC, MAJ (R) Tynisa L. Jones, by the Cadet Commander/Team instructor only.

 m. Tie Breaking Procedures: All ties will be broken by the results of the head judge’s scoring sheet. If the tie is not broken by this method, the highest judge’s score will be dropped and the scores recalculated and the highest recalculated score will be the winner.

 n. Trophies will be awarded to the top three finishers in each event for team competitions. A trophy will be awarded for first place in individual exhibition and dual exhibition competitions. There **will not** be an overall winner at this Meet. Medallions will be awarded to the top three individuals in knockout drill for both categories.

 o. Cost for each non-APS school is $75.00.

Make your check or money order payable to **North Atlanta High School JROTC and bring it with you to the competition. Ensure you physically give it to 1SG Barker or MAJ Jones during the judges or coaches meeting.** A receipt will be provided.

 p. There will be no scheduled lunch break; however, there are plenty of eateries in the nearby area. North Atlanta WILL NOT have a concessions stand for this event.

5. Any suggestions/recommendations on how to improve North Atlanta HS Drill Meet in future years will be appreciated.

6. Point of contact: MAJ Jones at (404) 802-4756 or 1SG Barker at (404) 808-4739; email is joseph.barker@atlanta.k12.ga.us

  **// Original Signed//**

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 North Atlanta High School

**Encl 1: Registration Form**

**North Atlanta Drill Team Meet**

Please complete this form and email to joseph.barker@atlanta.k12.ga.us NLT **10 December** 2024.

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| **EVENT/CATEGORY** |  **TEAMS** |
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| Drill Team – Platoon, Armed, Male/Mix, Regulation |  |
| Drill Team – Platoon, Armed, Female, Regulation |  |
| Drill Team – Squad, Armed, Male/Mix, Regulation |  |
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| Drill Team – Squad, Unarmed, Male/Mix, Regulation |  |
| Drill Team – Squad, Unarmed, Female, Regulation |  |
| Color Guard – Female |  |
| Color Guard – Male/Mix |  |
| Dual Exhibition  |  |
| Dual Exhibition – Female |  |
| Individual Exhibition |  |
| Individual Exhibition - Female |  |
| Platoon Exhibition  |  |
| Platoon Exhibition – Female |  |
| Squad Exhibition  |  |
| Squad Exhibition – Female |  |

**(Date)                                     (Signature of SAI or Representative)**