



COMMANDANT'S DEPARTMENT

PARENT INFORMATION FOR UPPER SCHOOL CADETS

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Introduction:

The key to each young man's academic and personal success is his, and your, commitment to the demanding and rewarding cadet lifestyle. The academy's military system has been refined for over a century. The lessons taught and learned, e.g., faith, self-discipline, honor, and teamwork truly change the lives of those young men who live up to the standards.

One of the most important ways you can help your son enjoy a productive year in the Corps of Cadets is to fully support FUMA's proven educational system, and encourage your son to adapt and respond positively to its demands. We strongly urge you to become familiar with the policies and procedures outlined in this handbook and print a copy for your reference throughout the school year. *Please sign the "Leave Permission" and "Statement of Support" forms enclosed with your registration materials, copies of which are on the last pages of this handbook, and return them to the Commandant's Office. This acknowledges your understanding of essential regulations and your agreement to support F.U.M.A. If you are the parent of a "returning" cadet, please note that this handbook contains a number of new and modified regulations.*

September is extremely busy for cadets as they acclimate to FUMA and adjust to their environment. The first two weeks of school are known as the grace period. During this time cadets are not be assessed demerits as they learn the rules and regulations, nor will they have access to phones or email.

Please read this handbook carefully. If you have questions, do not hesitate to contact the appropriate department(s) at the academy. The staff directory is located on the FUMA Web site at <http://www.forkunion.com>.

LEAVE POLICIES AND REGULATIONS

An important regulation worth noting at the onset concerns cadets' travel plans to and from Fork Union. Before making travel plans for your son, you should first review the *School Calendar* and become familiar with Weekend Leave regulations. Like all cadet regulations, this Leave Policy is applied equally to all members of the Cadet Corps to maintain the consistency and structure essential to the academy's military and academic programs.

As you and your son plan for the available weekend leaves, you should remind him that he ***must maintain his eligibility for leave privileges by complying with cadet regulations*** (staying out of "demerit trouble"), and maintain passing grades. During his first weeks as a cadet, your son is informed in great detail about regulation infractions that result in loss of leave privileges. In the event of loss of leave, FUMA is not responsible for non-refundable transportation tickets.

WEEKEND LEAVE TIMES FOR REGULAR LEAVES

Departure: Friday, upon completion of academic duty (Classes end at 12:30.)

Return: Sunday, not later than 7:30 p.m. Cadets must return Sunday at 1:00 p.m. during Spring Parade Season, and are not excused from Parade. Leaves end at 8:00 a.m. on the Sunday of Alumni Weekend due to the mandatory morning memorial service. Please refer to the *School Calendar* at the end of this book for all leave dates.

PROMPT RETURN TO CAMPUS:

All cadets must plan their leaves to assure their timely return to campus. ***A cadet returning late from leave, regardless of the reason, is assessed an appropriate number of demerits and/or tours and may forfeit his next leave privilege(s).***

EARLY DEPARTURES AND LATE RETURNS ARE PROHIBITED.

All cadets are required to attend graduation exercises. **No cadet should plan to depart the campus before noon on the day of graduation.**

TRANSPORTATION: Fork Union is not responsible for transportation requests that fall outside the predetermined times of departure from or return to campus. Please refer to the

School Calendar before purchasing tickets. A shuttle to Richmond area public transportation (Greyhound, Amtrak and Airport) is available each leave weekend and the cost is \$60.00 round trip or one way. Charter bus service is available for MAJOR leaves - Thanksgiving, Christmas and Spring only. MAJOR leave transportation forms are available on the FUMA Web site.

WEEKEND LEAVE ELIGIBILITY

Eligibility requirements for weekend leaves are designed as an incentive program to encourage cadets to maintain satisfactory grades and conduct. Parents are not authorized to visit until the first leave. The **first leave** may be taken on September 30th **OR** October 7th. *Parents are expected **NOT** to request permission for a cadet to take a leave when he is not eligible. A cadet is not eligible for regular leave if he has penalty tours.*

PERMISSION FORM REQUIRED for all Weekend Leaves

1. Parents must complete and sign the Weekend Leave Permission Form and return it to the Commandant's Office. *A cadet may **NOT** take a weekend leave unless his Leave Permission Form is signed and on file in the Commandant's Office.*
2. Parental permission for leave or day pass (or an invitation for another cadet to visit during a weekend leave) *is **not authorized by telephone.*** Permission or invitation letters must reach the Commandant's Office by email or fax **prior to 4 PM on the Wednesday prior to a Friday departure.**
3. Unless specifically requested by the cadet's parents not to allow carpooling, the academy will approve transportation provided by the parent or guardian of another cadet.
4. Hitchhiking is strictly prohibited.

PROCEDURES TO MONITOR DEPARTURES FROM CAMPUS

Sign-out procedures for leaves and day passes are designed to ensure that cadets leave campus with individuals authorized by their parents. The academy strives to monitor all departures; however adherence to parental restrictions is ultimately the cadet's responsibility. Cadets are aware they face serious punitive consequences for departing or returning with a person not specifically authorized to take them off campus, or return them to campus.

ELIGIBILITY for Regular Weekend Leaves

1. Cadets performing satisfactorily in the classroom and having no other “conduct” restrictions are eligible for regular weekend leaves.
2. A cadet may **not** take leave on two weekends in succession. An exception is granted for cadets who are eligible for the *special* leaves, e.g., *Academic Leave Weekend, Winning Company/No Demerit Leave, Winter Weekend, Parents' Day, Easter* and *Mothers' Day*. All weekend leaves are subject to loss due to misconduct.
3. A cadet may not take a day pass on Saturday and Sunday of the same weekend.

MILITARY LEADERSHIP, ATHLETIC/EXTRACURRICULAR COMMITMENTS

1. Cadet officers and higher non-commissioned officers are **not** automatically excused from their company and/or battalion responsibilities for leaves. It is their responsibility to coordinate leave plans to ensure that all responsibilities are fulfilled.
2. Cadets participating on academy teams or in other clubs or performing groups are **not** compensated for leaves missed or delayed because of team games, trips, or related events.
3. Cadets are **not** excused from their commitments to athletic teams or extracurricular clubs or organizations, nor may they quit teams or cancel participation in trips or programs **to go on leave**. Cadets who go on leave in lieu of academy commitments will suffer a loss of leave privileges and are assigned demerits and/or penalty tours.

SPECIAL LEAVES

1. *Parents' Day, Winter Weekend, Easter, Mothers' Day* and *Meritorious leaves* are categorized as “special leaves.”
2. The *Officers' Leave* occurs after Spring Break. A cadet must be an officer to qualify. The leave is not attached to a major leave and **classes cannot be missed**. Approval by the cadet's current teacher and his TAC Officer is required. Officers who have lost their rank are not eligible for officers' leave. Officers' Leave is reserved for cadets who attend Officers' Training.

MEDICAL LEAVES

Any request for a cadet to depart campus for medical reasons must be approved by the academy's Head Nurse, Deputy Commandant and the Academic Dean if missing class. Schedule routine dental and medical appointments, including medication management, to coincide with scheduled leaves only. Permission for leave is not granted for routine appointments. *Please call the academy infirmary at 434-842-4310 to discuss scheduling of medical, dental (emergency), or orthodontic appointments.*

EMERGENCY LEAVES:

- A. Emergency Leave is defined as: absence from the academy due to severe illness or death of a member of the cadet's immediate family.
- B. A member of the immediate family is defined as the parent, grandparent, brother or sister of a cadet.
- C. In the event of death, please furnish the Deputy Commandant with the following information.
 - 1. Name of deceased
 - 2. Relationship
 - 3. Hospital and/or funeral director's telephone number
 - 4. Date of interment.

LOSS OF LEAVE

- 1. If a cadet takes a leave when he is not eligible, his next regular weekend leave is forfeited and he will receive demerits.
- 2. A cadet is not eligible for regular leave if he has penalty tours.**

Questions about Leaves are addressed to Major Duane Fender, Deputy Commandant, at 434-842-4239, or e-mail fenderd@fuma.org.

CADETS' PERSONAL CONDUCT

1. **ABSENCE WITHOUT LEAVE ("AWOL"):** Cadets may not leave the campus without proper authorization. Should you discover that your son is off campus without the academy's authorization, contact the Commandant's Office immediately and ensure that the cadet returns to campus immediately. Demerit penalties assessed for AWOL are commensurate with the length of the cadet's absence. After an absence of seventy-two (72) hours, a cadet is dismissed from the academy.

2. **USE OF INTOXICANTS, MASKING AGENTS or MISUSE OF MEDICATIONS:** A cadet is dismissed from the academy if he:

- uses, possesses, distributes or is under the influence of alcohol or any illicit drugs, or hallucinogenic substances
- uses, possesses or distributes medications (prescribed or "over-the-counter" drugs), or is in possession of prescription medication not prescribed for him or authorized by the Infirmary
- uses, possesses or distributes any illegal or controlled substances (such as anabolic steroids)
- intentionally misuses or distributes any potentially intoxicating or harmful substances (such as glue, aerosol spray, mouthwash or natural substances)
- uses masking agents in an attempt to cover ingested drugs

3. TESTING FOR CADETS' USE OF ILLEGAL DRUGS OR ALCOHOL

A. "For Cause" Testing: If a cadet is implicated in an incident involving the possession or use of intoxicants or illegal drugs, or in the improper use of prescription medications or other controlled substances, and denies his involvement in the incident despite evidence to the contrary, academy officials will require the cadet to submit to an alcohol/drug screening test (breath, hair, blood or urine). An effort is made to inform a cadet's parents of the impending test and results. If the test confirms the cadet's use of illicit drugs, the cadet is dismissed from the academy. When the academy has clear cause to request a test for drug use, the cadet's refusal to cooperate is grounds for dismissal. A cadet should not enroll at FUMA if he does not believe he can pass the drug screens.

B. "Random" Testing: The academy conducts random, unannounced drug testing of the Cadet Corps. Cadets who test positive for illegal drug use are dismissed from the academy. A cadet's

refusal to test will result in dismissal.

C. Parents are charged for the first random test regardless of the results. If a cadet's name appears on the random roster again, the parents are not charged for subsequent *negative* tests. Parents are charged for all probable cause tests.

4. NOTICE OF "RIGHT TO SEARCH" CADETS AND THEIR PROPERTY

The academy will periodically and without notice, inspect any and all personal property on the academy's premises. The academy is prepared to use specially trained narcotic and explosive detection dogs to detect illegal contraband. These measures are in place to protect the safety of all cadets, employees, and guests.

5. NOTICE OF "RIGHT TO SEARCH: EMPLOYEES AND GUESTS

The use, possession, sale, transfer or purchase of illegal drugs, handguns, or explosive related materials is strictly prohibited on FUMA property. Anyone entering, or residing on academy property, including employees, visitors or individuals conducting business with the academy consents to an inspection of person, vehicle, and personal effects upon the academy's suspicion of illegal contraband. Searches are periodically conducted using dogs trained to detect narcotics and explosives.

6. **STEALING:** A cadet found guilty of stealing is dismissed from the academy. A dishonest intent is inferred by a cadet's possession of an article reported lost or from his unauthorized possession of an article belonging to another person. Conduct of this nature is treated as stealing and is cause for dismissal.

7. **FIGHTING:** Fistfights or other violent contact are not tolerated. A cadet who strikes another person, intending to injure, not in "horseplay", is subject to dismissal.

8. **HAZING:** Physical or emotional abuse of cadets is not tolerated at the academy. New cadets are not subjected to hazing as part of an initiation into the Cadet Corps. A cadet who hazes a fellow cadet is dismissed from the academy. Cadets are required to report this type of behavior.

9. **PERSONAL APPEARANCE:** Regulations require that each cadet will maintain a *FUMA regulation* haircut, clean shave, a clean and neat uniform appearance at all times. A completely

shaved head or any type of body piercing is *not* in compliance with FUMA cadet regulations. Violation of personal appearance regulations will result in demerits and loss of leave. The Commandant will require a cadet to purchase new uniform articles if the cadet's uniform appears worn-out or irreparable. All new uniform items are available at the Hoffman Supply Center and are charged to the cadet's account.

10. CONDUCT OFF CAMPUS: Cadets represent Fork Union Military Academy at all times, including off campus while on leave. Conduct during leave, day pass or vacation which reflects negatively on the academy will jeopardize the cadet's privileges and standing in the Corps, and will warrant his dismissal from the academy. A cadet is responsible for his behavior twenty-four hours a day, on or off campus, in or out of uniform.

11. DISMISSAL: Upon recommendation by the Faculty Tribunal, and the President's approval, a cadet is dismissed from the academy for a single act of grave misconduct, for inferior academic performance, for continued violation of regulations, or if his influence is deemed detrimental to the welfare of the Cadet Corps. A dismissed cadet's departure from campus is immediate. If personal transportation is not readily available, public transportation is utilized. Dismissed cadets are not authorized to return to campus without the prior approval of the Commandant and must be accompanied by a parent.

12. PRIVATELY OWNED VEHICLES: Cadets may not have automobiles or motorcycles at the academy or in the Fork Union area. A cadet is permitted to drive an automobile in the Fork Union area if his parent or guardian is in the vehicle with him, but not on campus. Cadets are prohibited from entering vehicles not driven by their own parents or by an adult authorized by the academy to provide transportation. Day students are authorized to drive to their assigned parking area.

BARRACKS REGULATIONS

1. ROOM CLEANLINESS: Each cadet is responsible for purchasing and maintaining items to keep his room clean—i.e., floor wax, glass cleaner, broom, etc. Damages incurred to a cadet's assigned room are charged to his account.

2. MUSICAL INSTRUMENTS: Cadets must obtain permission in advance from the Director of Music to store instruments in the Band area. *Large* musical instruments (such as drum sets) or

instruments requiring amplifiers or special storage are not authorized.

3. **COMMUNICATION DEVICES:** Cadets are not authorized any two way communication devices, including but not limited to cell phones. Cell phones are authorized for travel while on leave and must be returned to TAC Officers for storage while on campus.

4. **TELEVISIONS/RADIOS:** Cadets are authorized a 13" to 19" flat screen TV (without VCR/DVD capability) and a small clock radio. Other items, e.g., I-Pods, are not authorized. **The academy is not liable for items that are damaged, lost, stolen, or confiscated.**

5. **PERSONAL COMPUTERS:** Cadets are not authorized desktop computers. Laptop computers **without** printers are authorized. Arcade games and other non-academic uses of computers are prohibited. Laptops must receive clearance from Perkins Technology Center and punishment for policy violations will include loss of the laptop privilege for the remainder of the year. Cadets have access to computers in the Perkins Technology Center.

6. **FOOTLOCKERS:** Each cadet is required to have a footlocker in his barracks room. Cadets will secure footlockers at all times with a combination lock purchased at the FUMA Supply Center. A footlocker brought from home must meet regulation standards for size (31"x 17"x 12") and color (black or dark blue).

7. **MEDICATIONS:** **Cadets may not keep any medicines** (prescription or "over-the-counter"), vitamins, or similar non-food consumable products without expressed authorization from the academy infirmary staff. Most prescription medications are dispensed from the infirmary. Medicines authorized by the infirmary staff are locked in the cadet's footlocker. Improper consumption or distribution of any medication or controlled substance will result in the imposition of corrective measures, including the cadet's dismissal from the academy. Cadets who do not take their medicines as prescribed are assessed demerits and/or penalty tours. Cadets are **not** allowed to transport any prescribed behavior medication to and from the academy. Parents will contact the infirmary in advance to request that medicines are mailed home before major leaves. The infirmary does not contact parents when medicine supply is low. It is the parents' responsibility to assure an adequate supply is available.

8. **PROHIBITED ITEMS:** Cadets are not authorized to have electrical appliances in their rooms. Cadets may not possess firearms, pornography, tobacco, sunflower seeds, chewing gum, playing cards, posters or aerosols. This list is not conclusive.

9. **ADDITIONAL REQUIRED ITEMS:** Each cadet **must** bring a pillow and a small desk lamp. One extra dark blue blanket is authorized.

10. **ROOM CHANGES:** A cadet who wishes to have his barracks room assignment changed may submit a written request, with supporting reasons, to his TAC Officer. Room change requests are not always granted. Cadets will remain in the same companies to which originally assigned. Cadets' room assignments are changed as needed at the discretion of the Commandant's Staff.

11. **EVENING STUDY PERIOD** (*Call-to-Quarters, or "CQ"*): An element of FUMA's academic program is the strictly enforced study period conducted during the evening (usually from 7:30 to 9:40 p.m.) before every class day. Faculty officers are in charge of barracks to ensure quiet and to enforce all regulations. Cadets must remain seated at their desks throughout the study period. Doors to cadet rooms remain open. No talking, eating, listening to music, letter writing, or other activity not related to academic work is permitted. A cadet who finishes his assignments early may read a book in accordance with the C.Q. reading policy. A cadet deemed by the faculty officer-in-charge ("OC") not studying is placed on report for a "CQ violation," which entails a punishment of ten demerits and loss of the next regular weekend leave or 15 tours if no regular leaves remain on the school calendar. Study period requirements and expectations are explained to cadets in detail during orientation at the start of the school year.

12. **PHONE MESSAGES** - *To leave a message for your son call the Cadet Guard desk at 434-842-4241.*

CLOTHING

1. **CIVILIAN CLOTHES:** Cadets may keep civilian clothes in the authorized storage area, not in their barracks rooms. The academy does not insure or assume responsibility for damage to clothes or personal items left in storage. Cadets are not authorized to wear civilian clothes on Day Pass unless they are at their residence or the residence of another cadet. A cadet on Day Pass who goes out into the public eye **MUST** be in uniform.

2. **ATHLETIC APPAREL AND EQUIPMENT:** Cadets will wear FUMA athletic wear issued at the Hoffman Supply Center. Cadets may bring their athletic equipment (shoes, ball gloves, basketballs, lacrosse sticks, etc.) and store them in their gymnasium lockers. *Cadets are urged not to keep expensive athletic shoes in their barracks rooms.* Paintball and Airsoft equipment is not authorized at FUMA.

CADETS' ACCESS TO TELEPHONES

1. **CALLS DURING THE EVENING STUDY PERIOD:** The evening CQ study period (7:30 until 9:40 p.m.) is not disrupted except in an emergency. Cadets cannot use telephones during that time unless the faculty officer on duty (the "OC") determines that an emergency exists. The OC or the cadet guard team member on evening telephone duty, upon receiving a request during CQ for a cadet to call home immediately, will inquire as to the nature of the emergency. (The cadet guard member will relay the message to the OC, who may then confer with the parent.)

2. **TIMES for Cadets to USE PAY TELEPHONES:** Following are the approximate times during which a cadet may return a call home (may change without notice):

- 3:00 p.m. - 6:30 p.m. - Monday
- 3:00 p.m. - 6:30 p.m. - Tuesday
- 3:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m. - Wednesday
- 2:00 p.m. - 2:45 p.m. and 4:00 p.m. - 6:30 p.m. - Thursday
- 2:45 p.m. - 6:30 p.m. - Friday
- 1:30 p.m. - 9:00 p.m. - Saturday
- 1:30 p.m. - 7:00 p.m. - Sunday

RESTRICTED AREA FORK UNION MOTOR LODGE

Cadets are *not permitted* to stay overnight in the Motor Lodge without special permission from the Commandant or Deputy Commandant. Cadets must obtain specific permission from the Deputy Commandant or the Officer-in-Charge to visit family at the Motor Lodge if not on leave. Cadets must remain in proper uniform while visiting.

COUNSELING

A key to any young man's growth and success at the academy is his willingness to communicate with others, particularly with the various adults on campus who can offer him guidance and support. Throughout your son's cadetship, whenever you learn that he is facing personal problems or frustrations, you should encourage him to spend time talking to faculty or staff members with whom he feels most comfortable. Cadets have ongoing access to their guidance counselors, teachers, coaches, TAC's, faculty advisors, chaplain, club sponsors, activities director, and staff members who can address their specific concerns. While he learns about procedures and responsibilities within the military chain-of-command, he is encouraged to take any of his personal problems or concerns to appropriate faculty or staff members.

DEMERIT POLICY

1. **PENALTY TOURS:** Cadets are allotted ten (10) demerit *credits* per calendar month. Once a cadet's demerits exceed his credits he must serve, (walk), a 45-minute *penalty tour* for each additional demerit. Demerits are not worked off.
2. **LOSS OF LEAVE:** Behavior deemed inappropriate will result in loss of leave.
3. **LOSS OF LEADERSHIP POSITIONS:** Cadet Officers and NCO's who exceed fifty (50) demerits forfeit their cadet leadership positions, all commensurate rank, and Officer Leave.
4. **CONDUCT PROBATION STATUS:** A cadet on *Conduct Probation* is limited to one weekend leave per major leave period. The three major leave periods are: August to Christmas Break, January to Spring Break and Spring Break to the end of the year. This restriction does not apply to

Thanksgiving, Christmas, Spring Leaves, and special earned leaves. A probationary cadet is authorized one day pass per month with his family. **A cadet on *Conduct Probation* is authorized leave or day pass with his parents or guardian. Probationary cadets may not invite another cadet on leave. A cadet who finishes two consecutive years on probation is usually not granted readmission for the following year.** (See Table)

5. DISMISSAL for EXCESSIVE DEMERITS: A cadet who exceeds his demerit limit will appear before a Faculty Tribunal. (See Table)

| ENTERED | UNSATISFACTORY | CONDUCT DEFICIENT | PROBATION | TRIBUNAL |
|----------|----------------|-------------------|-----------|----------|
| AUGUST | 50 | 75 | 100 | 155 |
| JANUARY | 30 | 50 | 75 | 125 |
| FEBRUARY | 20 | 25 | 50 | 100 |
| APRIL | 15 | 20 | 25 | 75 |

6. REWARDS: The academy offers awards and incentives throughout the year that are predicated on good and/or improved behavior.

NO TUITION ADJUSTMENT UPON TERMINATION

1. **TUITION POLICY:** A reduction or remission of the full-year's tuition obligation is not offered if a cadet withdraws or is dismissed.

2. **ACADEMIC COURSE CREDIT:** A cadet who leaves the academy in mid-term receives credit for each completed semester. Grading of academic work ends as of his final day of class attendance. If the cadet's final day is before the end of the first semester, his grade is an "Incomplete." Questions about transfer of credits are addressed to the Academic Dean.

FUMA Administrative Staff

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DEPARTMENTAL FAX NUMBERS

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| Academic Office | 842-4300 |
| Commandant's Office | 842-4242 |
| Infirmery | 842-4349 |
| Business Office | 842-4339 |
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WEEKEND LEAVE PERMISSION FORM

This form MUST be completed and signed by the cadet's parent(s) or legal guardian(s) and returned to the Commandant's Office before the cadet is allowed to leave campus. The conditions and restrictions stated in this form also apply to the three major Corps Leaves (Thanksgiving, Christmas, and Spring Break).

From: _____
Cadet's Parents' or Guardians' Full Name(s) (Please Print)

I hereby give permission for Cadet _____
to use *weekend leave* and *day pass* privileges in accordance with all academy regulations and subject to the restrictions stated below.

Parents: Check **EACH** box below that states your permission preference(s).

- 1. **No Leave Privileges** My son needs my written permission for **ANY** leave (including home).
(If #1 is checked – no other choice is allowed.)
- 2. **Home Only Leave Privileges** This allows my son to come **HOME** when eligible for leave. This also gives him permission to come home on major leaves.
- 3. **College Visitation Privileges [SENIORS and POSTGRADUATES ONLY]** My son may be released into the care of a college or university representative for an authorized visit to the school's campus. I hereby authorize his use of either public or private transportation.
- 4. **Open Leave Privileges** My son may go on leave with any adult, **at least 21 years old**, who has extended to him a written invitation, a copy of which must be submitted to the Commandant's Office.
- 5. **Limited Leave Privileges** My son may go on leave with the specific adults, **at least 21 years old**, listed on the back of this form.
- 6. **Day Pass Privileges** My son may go on a day pass with any adult, **at least 21 years old**, who has extended to him a written invitation, a copy of which will be submitted to the Commandant's Office.
- 7. **Limited Day Pass Privileges** My son may go on Day Pass with the specific adults, **at least 21 years old**, listed on the back of this form.

Car-pooling with another cadet's parents to your home is acceptable and does not require written permission.

Changes to this permission form can be mailed to the Commandant's Department, PO Box 278, Fork Union, VA 23055, or faxed to the Leave Office at (434) 842-4242.

Parent(s)' Signature(s): _____

Date: _____

A separate copy of this form is available on line.

The signed form is RETURNED TO THE COMMANDANT'S OFFICE.

Fork Union Military Academy

Parents' Statement of Support

By signing this Statement, I acknowledge that I have read and understood the policies, practices, regulations, and expectations stated in the "Information for Parents" handbook published by the Office of the Commandant of Cadets.

I agree to support the Academy faculty and staff in all matters pertaining to cadet discipline and to the administration of FUMA's military-styled educational program. I will encourage my son to uphold Academy regulations, to conduct himself at all times as a gentleman, to give his best efforts as a student, and to participate faithfully and enthusiastically in all areas of cadet life. In the event that my son's behavior results in the assignment of corrective measures (such as demerits, penalty tours, or loss of privileges), I will add my parental support of the Academy's disciplinary system, which is essential to maintaining an environment in which cadets can grow in "body, mind, and spirit."

I recognize the importance of effective communication between parents and the Academy faculty and staff. I therefore agree to bring any unresolved concerns or disagreements directly to the attention of appropriate Academy personnel and to discourage discussions (among cadets, parents, or staff members) that can bring discredit to or cause disharmony within the academy community

Parent's Signature

Date

Cadet's Name (printed)

A separate copy of this form is available on line.

The signed form is RETURNED TO THE COMMANDANT'S OFFICE.

Fork Union Military Academy

Academic Calendar 2011-2012

| August 2011 | | | | | | |
|----------------|------|------|------|------|------|-----|
| SUN | MON | TUE | WED | THU | FRI | SAT |
| | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 |
| 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 | 11 | 12 | 13 |
| 14 | 15 | 16 | 17 | 18 | 19 | 20 |
| 21 | 22 | 23 | 24 | 25 | 26 | 27 |
| 28 | 29 | 30 | 31 | | | |
| September 2011 | | | | | | |
| SUN | MON | TUE | WED | THU | FRI | SAT |
| | | | | 1 | 2 | **3 |
| 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 |
| 11 | (12) | 13 | 14 | 15 | 16 | 17 |
| 18 | 19 | 20 | 21 | 22 | [23] | 24 |
| 25 | 26 | 27 | 28 | 29 | 30* | |
| October 2011 | | | | | | |
| SUN | MON | TUE | WED | THU | FRI | SAT |
| | | | | | | 1 |
| 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | (6) | 7* | 8 |
| 9 | 10 | 11 | 12 | 13 | 14 | 15 |
| 16 | 17 | 18 | [19] | 20 | 21 | 22 |
| 23 | 24 | 25 | 26 | 27 | 28 | 29 |
| 30 | 31 | | | | | |
| November 2011 | | | | | | |
| SUN | MON | TUE | WED | THU | FRI | SAT |
| | | 1 | (2) | 3 | 4 | 5 |
| 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 | 11 | 12 |
| 13 | 14 | [15] | 16 | 17 | 18 | 19 |
| 20 | 21 | 22 | 23 | 24 | 25 | 26 |
| 27 | 28 | 29 | 30 | | | |
| December 2011 | | | | | | |
| SUN | MON | TUE | WED | THU | FRI | SAT |
| | | | | 1 | 2 | 3 |
| 4 | (5) | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 |
| 11 | 12 | 13 | 14 | [15] | 16 | 17 |
| 18 | 19 | 20 | 21 | 22 | 23 | 24 |
| 25 | 26 | 27 | 28 | 29 | 30 | 31 |

| August | |
|--------|--|
| 14 | Prep (High School) Football Players Report |
| 17 | Varsity (PG) Football Players Report |
| 22 | Upper School Cadet Officers Report |
| 22 | Prep (High School) Soccer Players Report |
| 24 | Middle School Officers Report |
| 24-26 | FACULTY MEETINGS |
| 29 | PG Basketball Players Report |
| 29 | New Middle School Cadets |
| 30 | New Upper School Cadets Report |

SEPTEMBER

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|----|---|
| 1 | Old Middle and Upper School Cadets Report |
| 2 | Classes Begin |
| 3 | Saturday Class |
| 10 | ACT's @ FUMA |
| 23 | Term 1 Semester Exam |
| 30 | FIRST Leave Weekend |
| * | MUST SELECT ONE |

OCTOBER

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|----|--------------------------------|
| 1 | SAT's @ FUMA |
| 7 | FIRST Leave Weekend |
| 12 | PSAT's for all Juniors |
| 15 | Admissions Open House |
| 19 | Term 1 Final Exam |
| 22 | Parent's Weekend Leave |
| 24 | Leave weekend ends 7:30 PM |
| 25 | New Upper School Cadets Report |

NOVEMBER

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| 4 | Winning Co./ Zero Demerit Leave |
| 5 | SAT's @ FUMA |
| 15 | Term 2 Semester Exam |
| 18 | THANKSGIVING BREAK begins 12:30PM |
| 24 | THANKSGIVING DAY |
| 28 | THANKSGIVING BREAK ends 7:30 PM |

DECEMBER

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| 3 | SAT's @ FUMA |
| 10 | ACT's @ FUMA/ Admissions Open House |
| 15 | Term 2 Final Exam |
| 16 | CHRISTMAS LEAVE begins 12:30PM |
| 25 | CHRISTMAS DAY |

() End of Quarter

[] Exam Day

** Saturday Class

Fork Union Military Academy

Academic Calendar 2011-2012

| January 2012 | | | | | | |
|--------------|-----|------|------|-----|-----|-----|
| SUN | MON | TUE | WED | THU | FRI | SAT |
| 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | **7 |
| 8 | 9 | 10 | (11) | 12 | 13 | 14 |
| 15 | 16 | 17 | 18 | 19 | 20 | 21 |
| 22 | 23 | [24] | 25 | 26 | 27 | 28 |
| 29 | 30 | 31 | | | | |

| February 2012 | | | | | | |
|---------------|-----|------|-----|------|-----|------|
| SUN | MON | TUE | WED | THU | FRI | SAT |
| | | | 1 | 2 | (3) | 4 |
| 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 | **11 |
| 12 | 13 | 14 | 15 | [16] | 17 | 18 |
| 19 | 20 | 21 | 22 | 23 | 24 | 25 |
| 26 | 27 | (28) | 29 | | | |

| March 2012 | | | | | | |
|------------|-----|-----|------|-----|-----|------|
| SUN | MON | TUE | WED | THU | FRI | SAT |
| | | | | 1 | 2 | **3 |
| 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | [9] | 10 |
| 11 | 12 | 13 | 14 | 15 | 16 | 17 |
| 18 | 19 | 20 | 21 | 22 | 23 | **24 |
| 25 | 26 | 27 | (28) | 29 | 30 | 31 |

| April 2012 | | | | | | |
|------------|-----|-----|------|-----|------|------|
| SUN | MON | TUE | WED | THU | FRI | SAT |
| 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 |
| 8 | 9 | 10 | [11] | 12 | 13 | **14 |
| 15 | 16 | 17 | 18 | 19 | (20) | 21 |
| 22 | 23 | 24 | 25 | 26 | 27 | **28 |
| 29 | 30 | | | | | |

| May 2012 | | | | | | |
|----------|-----|------|-----|-----|------|------|
| SUN | MON | TUE | WED | THU | FRI | SAT |
| | | 1 | 2 | [3] | 4 | 5 |
| 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 | 11 | 12 |
| 13 | 14 | (15) | 16 | 17 | 18 | **19 |
| 20 | 21 | 22 | 23 | 24 | [25] | 26 |
| 27 | 28 | 29 | 30 | 31 | | |

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| <u>JANUARY</u> | |
| 2 | CHRISTMAS LEAVE ends 7:30 PM |
| 3 | New Upper School Cadets Report |
| 7 | Saturday class |
| 13 | Academic Leave Weekend (Terms 1 and 2) |
| 16 | New Middle School Cadets Report |
| 20 | Weekend Leave |
| 24 | Term 3 Semester Exam |
| 28 | SAT's @ FUMA |
| <u>FEBRUARY</u> | |
| 3 | Winter Weekend Leave Begins 12:30 PM |
| 6 | Winter Weekend Leave Ends 7:30 PM |
| 11 | ACT's @ FUMA |
| 11 | Saturday Class |
| 16 | Term 3 Final Exam |
| 16 | New Upper School Cadets Report |
| 24 | Weekend Leave |
| <u>MARCH</u> | |
| 3 | Saturday Class/ Alumni Speaker Day |
| 3 | Senior/ PG Dinner Alumni Board Meeting |
| 9 | Term 4 Semester Exam |
| 9 | SPRING BREAK begins 12:30 PM |
| 18 | SPRING BREAK ends 7:30 PM |
| 24 | Saturday Class |
| 30 | Senior/ PG leave |
| <u>APRIL</u> | |
| 6 | Easter Leave begins 12:30PM |
| 8 | EASTER SUNDAY |
| 9 | Easter Leave ends 7:30 |
| 11 | Term 4 Final Exam |
| 11 | New Upper School Cadets Report |
| 14 | Saturday Class |
| 14 | ACT's @ FUMA |
| 20 | Winning Co./ Zero Demerit/ Academic Leave |
| 21 | Admissions Open House |
| 28 | Saturday Class/ MILITARY BALL |
| 29 | First Full Dress Parade |
| <u>MAY</u> | |
| 3 | Term 5 Semester Exam |
| 5 | SAT's @ FUMA |
| 6 | Alumni Day Parade |
| 11 | MOTHER'S DAY LEAVE begins 12:30 PM |
| 13 | MOTHER'S DAY LEAVE ends 1 PM |
| 13 | Mother's Day Parade |
| 19 | Saturday Class |
| 20 | Greenbrier Parade |
| 24 | MIDDLE SCHOOL GRADUATION |
| 25 | Term 5 Final Exam |
| 26 | UPPER SCHOOL GRADUATION |

() End of Quarter

[] Exam Day

** Saturday Class