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From: **The Commandant**
To: **All OYCP Cadets- Class 53**

SUBJECT: SECOND BREAK

This is to inform you that OYCP will be closed from 26 May 2017 at 11:00 AM to 31 May 2017 at 2:00 PM. I have authorized an opportunity for each of you to return home to spend time with family. It is very, very important that you clearly understand you are still a member of OYCP during this privileged period away from the school. **My expectation is that you conduct yourself with absolute maturity and that your actions, decisions and judgment reflect the standards and values of the Oregon Youth Challenge Program.** During this opportunity to spend some time away from OYCP, I expect that you conduct yourselves honorably with respect towards yourself, family and others. Please enjoy this time with family, but do so in a responsible way.

It is important that you acknowledge and adhere to the following expectations and conditions while away from OYCP:

1. **Travel** - You are to return promptly on Wednesday 31 May 2017 at the designated time (between the hours of 2 PM and 5 PM) with no exceptions. You are to travel with your parents or the approved method authorized by OYCP staff and no other means.
2. **Uniform** - You are to check back in on Wednesday 31 May 2017 wearing the Youth Challenge uniform. Your uniform is to be pressed, neat and clean when you check back in to school. Do not take your uniform to a cleaner. **You are to return to OYCP looking exactly the way you leave. Don't forget any gear at home.**
3. **Illegal Activities** - Under no circumstances are you to consume alcohol, drugs or engage in any illegal activity. **Upon return to OYCP there will be a drug urinalysis administered as a condition of your return. Any sign or trace of drugs from the test/screen will result in immediate dismissal from OYCP.** I encourage you to take this message very seriously.

a. Cadets will return to the program hydrated and ready for their urinalysis.

The program mission is to provide opportunities for personal growth, self improvement and academic achievement among Oregon high school drop outs, teens no longer attending and those failing in school, through a highly structured non-traditional environment; integrating training, mentoring and diverse educational activities.



4. **Tobacco use.** - There is absolutely no tobacco use of any kind while on break. OYCP is a tobacco free program. You are still in the program while on break. This applies to all cadets no matter what age you are.
5. **Haircut** - Females shall have their hair cut to the military collar length. **There shall be no** hair colors, hair dye, tints, highlight, or hair extensions. Males will not color or inscribe anything in their hair. Males will not cut their hair while on break.
 - a. Male cadets will return to the program clean shaven.
6. **Piercings and Tattoo's** – Cadets will not get any piercings or tattoo's while away from the program on break.
7. **Inspection** - There will be an inspection and search upon your return to OYCP. Do not bring any items into OYCP that are unlawful or against OYCP policy. There will be a search of your person when you return. Unauthorized items will be disposed of or returned to your parents. **Do not bring them back** (No magazines, books, pictures, etc.)
8. **CAP and Placement** – You are required to complete all your placement and CAP requirements while on break. You have been fully briefed on those requirements by the teaching and counseling staff. Placement is a requirement to graduate the Oregon National Guard Youth Challenge Program.
9. **Social Networks** – Do not post anything offensive on Facebook, Twitter, and Instagram etc. Don't post inappropriate pictures I.E out of uniform, offensive gestures or you with alcohol or drug (paraphernalia). We have "friends" everywhere. It will get back to the program.
10. Do not risk the hard work, time, effort and progress you have made thus far. Should we find out you Violate these terms it may result in your expulsion from OYCP.



Pat Shields
Commandant Oregon Youth Challenge

Cadet Signature _____ Date _____

Cadet Printed Name (legible) _____