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CLASS OF 2020 MARCH BACK – Aug. 4, 2016

WEST POINT, N.Y. – New Cadets from the Class of 2020 will conclude their Cadet Basic Training with a 12-mile road march from Camp Buckner to West Point Monday, Aug. 8.

The March Back begins before sunrise when the New Cadets depart Camp Buckner in tactical formation and travel along Routes 293 and 9W and cross over the West Point Golf Course bridge. This event is the culmination of six weeks of Cadet Basic Training, a rigorous program that trains New Cadets in basic military skills and prepares them for entry into the Corps of Cadets. The Class of 2020 reported June 27.

The cadets will pass in review displaying a banner featuring their newly created class motto for the first time in front of Quarters 100, the superintendent's residence, at 10:30 a.m. For the New Cadets, this acknowledges their successful completion of one of the most demanding challenges they will encounter during their four-year cadet experience.

Members of the Class of 2020 will be officially accepted into the Corps of Cadets during the Acceptance Day parade scheduled for Saturday, Aug. 13 at 10 a.m., on the Plain.

About West Point

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