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High School Junior ROTC Cadets to Take on ‘Islander Challenge’

CORPUS CHRISTI, Texas – Junior ROTC cadets from area high schools will see if they’ve got “the right stuff” when they compete in the “Islander Challenge” on Saturday, March 5, beginning at 8 a.m. on the soccer field at Texas A&M University-Corpus Christi.

This is the second year that the Army ROTC Islander Battalion at Texas A&M-Corpus Christi has held the event which will pit around 20 teams of Air Force, Army, Navy and Marine Corps Junior ROTC cadets against each other in five events intended to encourage friendly competition and increase esprit de corps among the groups. Each participating school will be allowed to enter up to three teams which can be all female, all male, or co-ed.

Following opening ceremonies, the teams will take on a series of challenges including an Army physical fitness test, rope bridge crossing, a 3-mile ruck march for time, a sand obstacle course, and orienteering, a test that requires map-reading, navigational and compass skills to move quickly from one point to another over unfamiliar terrain. The overall winning team will be awarded the Commander’s Cup. The winners of each event will receive a guidon streamer and all contestants will receive a T-shirt.

For more information regarding the Islander Challenge, contact Maj. Peter Stebbing , Islander Battalion executive officer at 361.825.3913; or e-mail peter.stebbing@tamucc.edu.

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