Good morning – the following note is an update regarding privileges for Acceptance Day weekend. This information will be shared with the new cadets prior to their phone calls tomorrow. Please allow your new cadet to share this news with you.

Parents and Family members of the CL ‘26,

Acceptance Day for the Class of 2026 will be here in less than a month and we wanted to provide some information on the privileges and opportunities that will be available to you and your cadet as you begin to plan your weekend.

First, the Acceptance Day parade will be on Saturday, August 13, at 10 a.m. on The Plain. Soon after the completion of the parade and your cadet’s acceptance into the Corps of Cadets, the plebes will be afforded ‘Walking Privileges’ for the rest of the weekend.

This year, we have extended the boundary of the ‘Walking Privileges’ to a 20-mile radius around West Point. These privileges will begin soon after we complete the parade so the cadets can change into their seasonal ‘White over Grey’ uniforms and sign out from their companies.

For Saturday, August 13, you will need to return the cadets 30 minutes prior to taps which will be at 1 a.m. that evening. On Sunday, August 14, the cadets can leave as early as 5:20 a.m., but must return to the Cadet Area in enough time to be accounted for at recall formation at 7:15 p.m.

Food, beverage, and entertainment options will be available on Saturday and Sunday. Please consider including these in your weekend plans.

**Entertainment (Free of charge)**

Saturday, August 13, 4 p.m. at the Ike Hall, Riverside Café, DCA will be hosting the renowned cover band ‘The Zoo’
Saturday, August 13, from 7:30-8:30 p.m., the USMA Band will be performing live at the Trophy Point amphitheater. The Theme that evening will be ‘Sing Along: Family Movie Favorites’

See an example of the world famous West Point Band’s talent at the following link: [USMA Band performs medley at Trophy Point](#)

Sunday, August 14, at 12 p.m. at the Ike Hall Riverside Café, DCA will host the ‘Mentalist, Robert Channing’
For both the Ike Hall events above, there will be food and beverage options available for purchase at the Ike’s Riverside Café during showtimes on Saturday and Sunday.
Grant Hall, which is located along the Thayer extension walk and a few feet from the Grant turnaround, will also be available from the hours of 8 a.m. to 10 p.m. on Saturday and 12 p.m. to 8 p.m. Grant Hall offers a wide variety of food options including subs, sandwiches, pizza, coffee, soda, candies, etc. Parents and Family members will need to be escorted by their cadet for access to Grant Hall.

Lastly, we will have the DCA food truck positioned near The Plain before and after the Saturday morning parade. It too offers a wide variety of food and drink options.

Other options for food and beverage include Starbucks, Subway, West Point Bowling Alley, Burger King, Bun D and West Point Club. Hours of operation will be provided in a document on the West Point website soon. www.westpoint.edu/parents

In and Around Transportation

Shuttle buses will be available to transport guests to The Plain from the Buffalo Soldiers Parking lot for the parade on Saturday and around West Point / Visitor Center Saturday and Sunday throughout the day - details to follow.

Finally, we wanted to commend the cadets and cadre on their determination and commitment throughout Cadet Basic Training and Re-organization week. And we look forward to welcoming parents, family members and friends in 4 weeks.

Reminder – if you have not submitted your form(s) to receive a Visitor ID/LAC for Acceptance Day, the deadline has been adjusted. Please submit by midnight July 31.

Please stop by the Visitor Control Center upon arrival to West Point to pick up your Visitor ID/pass to access post. The VCC is open 6 a.m.-10 p.m. daily and is located on the bottom floor of the West Point Visitors Center.

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