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JROTC ANNUAL INSPECTION

IMPORTANT DATES FOR MARCH:

NO SCHOOL-
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DAY 7

WELLNESS
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HALF-DAY 14

NHS CERE-
MONY AND
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MEETING 16

CPS AVID
FAIR 17

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SPECTION 22

On Tuesday, March 22, Phoenix will have its 3rd JROTC annual inspection. It will begin at 7:30 a.m. Cadets must be sure that they are in their proper class A uniform, have their name tag, torches, and rank. Cadets should make sure they know their in-rank inspection questions. Both males and females should be properly groomed. Males should be properly shaven and for females their hair should be up and off their collar. All cadets are expected to have good personal appearance. The upper class drill team will perform, and the Battalion Staff will be briefing on their duties. Phoenix has been preparing for the annual Federal Inspection since the beginning of the school year from the Commandant, JROTC instructors, Battalion Commander, the Cadet Staff, and the rest of the Phoenix battalion. Chosen cadets will be asked LET questions for their respective grade level and questions from their previous LET level. If Phoenix passes the inspection, we will remain Honor Unit with Distinction and keep our yellow star that is worn on the Class A uniform. Let's do it Phoenix Fire-bird battalion!



"To motivate young people to be better citizens"

-JROTC mission statement

NATIONAL HONOR SOCIETY CEREMONY

On March 16 Phoenix Military Academy will host our annual National Honor Society induction ceremony. The induction ceremony is to officially accept students who have character, leadership, service and scholarship. Not only do the inductees have those traits, but they have shown academic excellence. Few students from the sophomore class and up were nominated. Nominees had to complete the NHS application to become an official member. The application included listing awards received, activities participated in, leadership positions, and service to the community. The essay question was "What do you know about NHS, why you want to be in NHS, and what will you bring to NHS?". Congratulations to all the new National Honor Society members!



CPS AVID FAIR

On March 17th, 2011 Phoenix will host the CPS AVID Fair. The AVID district has chosen Phoenix Military Academy to host the first AVID Junior Scholars Event, seeing as our school is the only national demo site in the region. There are 700+ AVID students including 10 of our own, who has met certain qualifications where they

will be interviewed by the top two colleges of their choice and, if it goes well, can be accepted into that college. If they're accepted into the college or university, they will only have to meet the certain senior qualifications for their admittance to be final.

PMA AVID site team and the student AVID Club will

be directing and coordinating with PMA students and City AVID district to make it a success.



LOUDER THAN A BOMB (LTAB) POETRY COMPETITION

On Sunday, March 6th, four Phoenix cadets will participate in the Louder Than A Bomb (LTAB) city wide poetry competition. This is only possible because at their first bout/competition on February 27th, Phoenix came in third place as a team and Cadet Kaplan received the highest individual poem score of a 9.8 out of 10. **The rest of the cadets' scores ranged from 7.0 to 9.8.**

The four cadets that are on the LTAB team are: Alejandra Duenas, Jessica Kaplan, Samirra Daley, and Francisco Peralta. They, along with Mr. Waller, the team coach, and Patrick Birden-Didona, the team assistant coach, will go to Columbia College for the poetry match. LTAB is a city wide event and some of the competition includes students from Suburban high schools. The students must

perform and act some of their own original poetry on stage. All four participants must perform a **"group" poem. The theme that PMA's four students chose to act out for their group poem is titled "Super Hero, Side Kick, Villain and Damsel in Distress that goes to group therapy."** Samirra Daley will act as the super hero, Alejandra Duenas will act as the damsel in distress, Jessica Kaplan will act as the super villain, and Francisco Peralta will act as the sidekick.

