Welcome to the Class of 2026

General (Ret) Glenn M. Walters, President
Class of 1979
20th President of The Citadel
Welcome and Thank You Class of 2026 Families!
The Mission

To educate and develop students to become principled leaders in all walks of life by instilling the core values of honor, duty, and respect in a disciplined and intellectually challenging environment.

Core Values

Honor ★ Duty ★ Respect
1,365 days until Graduation
Beginning the Journey

 Colonel Tom Gordon USMC (Ret)
 Commandant of Cadets
4th-Class Training: Becoming a Cadet

Objectives:

• Prepare for academic achievement
• Develop character and create a foundation for honorable and ethical decisions
• Learn and live The Citadel’s core values of Honor, Duty, and Respect
• Instill self-discipline
• Physically challenge and establish a foundation of physical fitness for life.
• Teach the regulations, customs and traditions of The Citadel
• Remove wealth and former station as factors in the development of new cadets
• Instill a sense of humility and selfless subordination
• Learn time management
• Class unity and cohesion

Purpose:

The Fourth-Class System is the foundation of The Citadel’s four year leadership development program. It creates discipline and instills the core values of Honor, Duty, and Respect which is expected of principled leaders in all walks of life.

Support and encourage your Cadet
4th-Class Challenge Training

- 13-21 August
- Committed to safe and effective training
  - Daily sick call
  - Closely monitor heat index
  - Hydration (Camelbacks)
  - Sports Medicine Staff and TACs
- Contact (email, or phone) is not allowed until 1730 Aug 21

**MORNING**

- 0545 Reveille
- 0550 Formation
- 0600 – 0645 Physical Training
- 0645 – 0710 Personal Hygiene
- 0710 – 0745 Formation / Breakfast
- 0800 – 1145 Training / Classes

**AFTERNOON**

- 1200 – 1245 Formation / Lunch
- 1300 – 1745 Training / Classes
- 1800 – 1845 Retreat Formation / Dinner

**EVENING**

- 1900 – 2100 Training / Room and Uniform Prep
- 2100 – 2200 Personal Hygiene
- 2300 Taps / Lights Out
# Cadet Life

**After Classes Begin**

- **Classes begin August 24**

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Challenge & Support

- Sanford's theory of challenge and support (1962)
Cadet Personal Support Services

• Chain of Command *(Cadet & Commandant’s Department)*
• Student Success Center
• Career Services Center
• Citadel Counseling Center
  • 24/7 Tele-Health Sessions
  • Call 800-633-3353 or [click here.](#)
• Chaplain to the Corps of Cadets

• Ombudspersons
• Citadel Infirmary
• Title IX Office
• Campus Advocacy, Response and Education
• Campus Alcohol and Drug Information Center
• Academic Affairs and Academic Services
Additional Information

- Hurricane Plans
- Bulldog Alert System
- College Regulations
- Blue Book (*Do’s and Don’ts*)
- White Book (*How to do ...*)
- Leaves and Furloughs
- Social Media and other situations
  - Be cautious of Internet rumors, myths and “traditions”
  - Trust, but verify
Fall Semester Key Dates

- **Oath Ceremony**
  August 15 at 1730
- **Beach House Trip**
  August 21
- **Cell phone and email return**
  August 21 at 1730
- **First Day of Classes**
  August 24
- **First General Leave**
  August 26 - after last duty until midnight
- **Parents Weekend**
  October 7-9
- **Mid-Term Examinations**
  October 11-17
- **Homecoming Weekend**
  November 4-6
- **Fall Furlough** *(Thanksgiving)*
  November 18-27
- **Final Examinations**
  December 9-15
- **Winter Furlough**
  December 15-January 8
Contact with your cadet

- Write letters
- **Call cell phones** *(Beginning at 1730 Aug 21 and anytime after)*
- **E-mail** *(Beginning at 1730 Aug 21 and anytime after)*
- **Send care packages**
- Visit The Citadel website: [www.citadel.edu](http://www.citadel.edu)

- **Contact the TACs**
  - **1st Battalion** *(Companies A, B, C, and D)*
    - (843) 953-0506
  - **2nd Battalion** *(Companies E, F, G, H, and Regimental Band)*
    - (843) 953-2101
  - **3rd Battalion** *(Companies I, K, L, and M)*
    - (843) 953-5245
  - **4th Battalion** *(Companies N, O, R, and T)*
    - (843) 953-1722
  - **5th Battalion** *(Companies P, S, V and Palmetto Battery)*
    - (843) 953-5365

Commandant’s Department
(843) 953-3020

All Commandant’s Department contact numbers can be found online: [www.citadel.edu/commandant/office-of-the-commandant](http://www.citadel.edu/commandant/office-of-the-commandant)
Closing Thoughts

It will be hard...
It will seem long...
They will be given the tools...

They will face challenges...
It will be worth the effort...
It will be OK!
The Citadel
Mrs. Tabitha Bemis
CFA Board Chair
Matriculation Day 2022!

The final schedule for the weekend of Matriculation has been set. I hope you will take some time to read the following article in order to make your planning and visit a little smoother. Please open the Virtual Campus Map to find the locations identified by the number, read full article.
Parents and Families Weekend!
October 7-9
For information on student support services, scan here: