48th Delaware State Police Annual Trooper Youth Week Cadet Graduation – Dover

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Dover, Delaware – The Delaware State Police and the American Legion held Trooper Youth Week Graduation Ceremony Friday afternoon, June 28, 2019, at the Delaware State Police Training Academy Headquarters Complex in Dover, Delaware.

Graduating Cadet Class 2019

- Damian Alexander First State Military Academy
- Mason Glanden Early College High School
- Kyle Green Sussex Central High School
- Serika Hicks Polytech High School
- Jemescia Inge Christiana High School
- Madeline Kuennen Delaware Military Academy
- Reese Lohman Smyrna High School
- Neva Nowell Woodbridge High School
- Zoe Quevedo Sussex Technical High School
- Vashon Roby Christiana High School
- Elizabeth Schlauch Caesar Rodney High School
- Arianna Snyder Newark High School
- Christopher Tomczyk A.I. DuPont High School
- Samantha White Caravel Academy
- Samantha Wolfgang Caesar Rodney High School

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Physical Fitness Award: **Damian Alexander – First State Military Academy**
(Cadet that demonstrated overall physical fitness)

Esprit De Corps Award: **Reese Lohman – Smyrna High School**
(Cadet that most demonstrated a feeling of pride, fellowship, and common loyalty)

Core Values: **Zoe Quevedo- Sussex Tech High School**
(Cadet that demonstrated the essence of our Seven Core Values- **H**onor, **I**ntegrity, **C**ourage, **L**oyalty, **A**ttitude, **D**iscipline, **S**ervice)

Most Outstanding Cadet: **Madeline Kuennen – Delaware Military Academy**
(Cadet that demonstrated overall leadership, initiative, teamwork, and commitment to the success of the class)

Delegation of Distinguished Speakers:

Robert M. Coupe – Secretary, Delaware Department of Safety and Homeland Security
Colonel Nathaniel McQueen Jr. – Superintendent of the Delaware State Police
Commander James Stewart – Department of Delaware American Legion, Inc.

****Selected as the class speaker – Damian Alexander****

Fifteen young men and women from across the state endured a weeklong training program that paralleled what Delaware State Troopers experience while attending our challenging Training Academy.

During the entire week, the cadets took up residence here at the academy to give them a better understanding of the profession of law enforcement and what it takes to become a trooper. The goal of the Delaware State Police Trooper Youth Week Academy is to provide the cadets with the best possible law enforcement instruction while demonstrating professionalism and motivation in a challenging and disciplined environment. The mission here is to help this academy class prepare to succeed. With that, each cadet must

put in maximum effort in order to guarantee their success, and I must say, the experience here was like no other for this graduating class. said ***Sergeant Richard Bratz, Delaware State Police spokesperson.***

In addition to daily inspections and the physical fitness regimen, the cadets attended classes that included; motor vehicle stops, crime scene investigation, drug investigation, drill and ceremony, defensive tactics and ethical decision making to name a few. Special Units included the Motorcycle Unit, Explosive Ordinance Disposal Unit, Maritime Unit, Aviation Unit, Collision Reconstruction Unit, and the K-9 Unit. They also toured a Communications Center and the Delaware State Police Museum.

The Academy T.A.C staff along with the delegation of distinguished speakers and the Executive Staff were on hand to congratulate the cadets and assist with graduation certificates. The 48th year for Trooper Youth Week would not be possible without the sponsorship of the Delaware American Legion. Thank you to all who had a hand in the success of the program!

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Presented by the Director of Public Information, Sergeant Richard Bratz

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