Per CAPT TR Buchanan, Commandant, during the Parent Club Town Hall and from the Plebe Summer Officer in Charge, CDR Laing:

"Please be patient with our execution of Plebe Summer this year as your and our Plebes' safety is our #1 concern. This year will look different than every other year but with the same outcome of developing the Plebes Morally, Mentally, and Physically to join the Brigade of Midshipmen successfully in the Fall. We will put information out as soon and as fast as we can but please understand the challenging environment, we are in to protect the health and safety involved in all aspects of Plebe Summer."

Very Respectfully,
CDR Kelly Laing
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Commandant questions addressed in the Town Hall:
1. I -Day plan to support Class of 2024
   a. If parents travel with Plebe can they escort son/daughter to Alumni Hall?
      i. Yes, very limited time allowed to drop off, say goodbye and leave the Yard- congregating of parents will be discouraged

2. How will Plebe Summer Training be conducted? -
   a. during 2 weeks of ROM, virtual training for all plebes will be provided, following ROM limited, physical aspects of Summer training will begin under health and safety guidelines

3. Procedures for testing for Covid 19 in Plebes, Summer detailers and TAD?
   a. all plebes, detailers and TAD officer have been and will be tested at the beginning of the ROM and follow up testing will be conducted at the end of the 2 week ROM for anyone at USNA and interacting with the plebes of preparing for Summer training Blocks 2 and 3

4. What is the procedure if MID tests positive for Covid 19 during Plebe Summer?
   a. If a Plebe/detailer/TAD officer tests positive, they will be moved to the medical isolation area and monitored closely for symptoms, no one will be sent home if tested positively, all will be given the appropriate medical care needed if symptoms develop

5. Resources for Plebes feeling isolated or having anxiety?
   a. Several resources are available to all MIDS and Plebes, chaplains actively engaged with Class of 2024 plebe summer training, Midshipmen Development Center and Brigade Medical will monitor all involved in Plebe Summer training

6. Will there be a Plebe Parent Weekend?
   a. Plebe Parent Weekend is still currently planned. We are evaluating all of our options and keeping the safety of your sons and daughters as our top priority. Decision will be made by Mid-July with approval of Navy Fleet Forces etc. to re-open USNA to visitors

7. Summer training plan for Classes of 21/22/23?
   a. Summer school classes are up and running for MIDS, some summer training is beginning for Block 2/3 – Leatherneck, some concerns for making up Protramid for 22/23 MIDS – USNA leadership looking at that but still TBD

8. Plan for the Return of the Brigade, fall schedule?
   a. Still TBD, many moving parts, please be patience, "we are assembling the airplane as we fly it"

9. Will Plebes be able to meet/ be assigned a Sponsor family?
    a. Again, health and safety concerns are being evaluated for that TBD

10. What can Parent Club Leaders do to support USNA and Plebe Summer leadership?
    a. Continue to support your MIDS and help all to understand this is an involved process we are working through.

From the Livestream Chat questions:
1) Will MIDS attending Leatherneck or supporting Plebe Summer training be allowed to return to home of record following their 4-week training assignment? –
    a. All Leatherneck and Detailer MIDS will be tested after training, held in 2-week ROM tested again and the Commandant is <u>leaning</u> to allowing these MIDS to return home, but decision is not final, TBD

2) Class of 2022 2 for 7 signing?
    a. Yes- Commitment ceremony and signing are an internal event and will take place following Reform of the Brigade

Additional 2024 I-Day & Plebe Summer FAQS – round 2

- How will Company and Platoon information for parents to send mail to Plebe be shared?
    - Same process as prior years. One of the first tasks for the plebes will be to write a letter home with their mailing address.

- Will the Appointment letter allow parents to drive on the Yard to drop plebe off on I-Day or is DBIDS the only way for parents to access USNA for I-Day?
    - Details being worked with NSAA but anticipate the Permit to Report Letter from admissions (along with valid ID for all passengers) to serve as base access for CANDIDATE DROP OFF ONLY.

- If a parent has a CAC card from another installation does that give them access to USNA?
    - Yes, but they will still not be allowed to have any interactions after drop off with their candidate. Additionally, we strongly request that they help us maintain the Yard clear to prevent contact, congestion on the Yard, and meet our Superintendent's intent.

- Will the Oath of Office ceremony take place? Will it be livestreamed?
    - Details currently being worked. There will be an Oath of Office Ceremony on 17 July that will be streamed. We are still working streaming/publishing details.

- Can parents have access to PLEBE Medical records?
    - No. Due to HIPAA regulations any parent access to medical records can only be done with the express consent of the candidate.

- When will Plebe Phone calls be scheduled?
    - Our Plebe Summer schedule is currently under works. Updates to phone call time windows can be found at https://www.usna.edu/PlebeSummer/info.php under the announcements section.

- Which website should Plebe parents' view/bookmark for Plebe summer updates/phone calls/ schedules- Coronavirus guidance or Plebe Summer?
    - https://www.usna.edu/PlebeSummer/index.php
    - https://www.usna.edu/Admissions/Student-Life/Plebe-Summer.php

*Additional questions submitted and not addressed in the Commandant Town Hall or the above document have been compiled and submitted for consideration. We will send a third update when responses are provided by Commandant and Plebe Summer Staff

**Again, please bear with us as we work to update our websites as fast as information is flowing and will be sure to update everyone as soon as possible.