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MEMORANDUM FOR 2021 Army National Guard Best Warrior Competition Attendees

SUBJECT: 2021 Army National Guard Best Warrior Competition (BWC) Instructions

1. Purpose. This memorandum provides guidance and instruction for the 2021 Army National Guard (ARNG) Best Warrior Competition 19-23 July 2021 at Camp Navajo Training Site (CNTS), 1 Hughes Ave Bellemont, AZ 86015.
2. Concept. Regional BWC winners (seven Enlisted Soldiers and seven NCOs) will compete to determine who will represent the ARNG at the All Army BWC in 2021. The competitive events have been designed to push competitors to their physical, mental, and psychological limits. The tasks associated with the competition are IAW the All Army BWC from STP 21-1 (Soldiers Manual of Common Tasks) Skill Level 1 and STP 21-24 (Soldiers Manual of Common Tasks) Skill level 2-4 located online at [http://armypubs.army.mil/doctrine/smct\\_1.html](http://armypubs.army.mil/doctrine/smct_1.html).
3. Sponsors/Mentors. Sponsors and mentors are not authorized to accompany or assist competitors at any time during the competition.
4. Competitor Time Line. It is highly recommended to arrive 1 week prior to the start of the competition IOT acclimate to the elevation approx. 7100ft.

<b>DTG (CDST)</b>	<b>WHAT</b>	<b>WHERE</b>
NLT 01 JUL 21	Nomination Packets Due	See Para. 6
NLT 01 JUL 21	Hilton Reservations	See Para. 10
NLT 10 JUL 21	Early Arrival Competitor Itineraries	See Para. 7
NLT 181800JUL21	Competitor Arrival	Travel/ CNTS BLDG 60
19 JUL 21	Opening Ceremony/ Welcome Brief/ Competition	CNTS
20 JUL 21	Competition	CNTS/ Florence Military Reservation
21 JUL 21	Competition	CNTS
22 JUL 21	Competition	CNTS
23 JUL 21	Competition/Closing Ceremony/Awards Dinner	Flagstaff
24 JUL 21	Depart	Travel/HOR

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5. Registration. All personnel attending the Best Warrior Competition to include competitors, spectators, support staff, visitors and Distinguished Visitors must register online at: <https://eanga.org/best-warrior-competition-registration/> NLT 01JUL21. Upon arrival, please ensure you check in at the registration desk in Building #60, Camp Navajo, AZ.

a. Opening Ceremony: The Opening Ceremony will be held the evening of 19JUL21 in the DFAC, Camp Navajo, AZ. If you plan to attend the ceremony, please indicate so when you register.

b. Closing Ceremony: The Closing Ceremony will consist of dinner and awards presentation. It will be held on 23JUL21 at the Doubletree by Hilton Hotels, 1175 W Rte 66, Flagstaff, AZ 86001. If you plan to attend the ceremony, please indicate so when you register.

c. Competitors: RSVP to the competition using the link in paragraph 5. All competitors are authorized to arrive 7 days prior to 18JUL21 to acclimatize. Competition start date is 190800JUL21. Competition end date is 23JUL21 with travel to HOR on 24JUL21. Upon arrival to Camp Navajo, ensure you check in at Building #60 for check-in and billeting assignment. See Enclosure 1 or 2 (Camp Navajo Map).

d. Spectators/Sponsors: RSVP to the competition using the link in paragraph 5. Upon arrival to Camp Navajo please check in at the registration desk in Building #60. See Enclosure 1 or 2 (Camp Navajo Map). Sponsors will have space available for displays at the Robinson Readiness Center on Camp Navajo.

e. Distinguished Visitors: Distinguished Visitors (DV's) include Nominative Level CSM's, General Officers and Elected Officials. All DV's should RSVP to the competition using the link in paragraph 5. Upon arrival to Camp Navajo please check in at the registration desk in Building #60. See Enclosure 1 or 2 (Camp Navajo Map).

6. Nomination Packets. Regional representatives will complete Enclosure 3 (Nomination Packet) for each competitor and email the completed packet to SFC Jonathon Barnitz at [jonathon.w.barnitz.mil@mail.mil](mailto:jonathon.w.barnitz.mil@mail.mil). Competitor photos are no longer a requirement. Packets must be submitted NLT 01JUL21.

7. Travel.

a. Competitors: If traveling by commercial air, competitors are recommended to arrive at Phoenix Sky Harbor International Airport (PHX) due to availability of rental vehicles. Competitors are authorized rental vehicles to accommodate varying early arrival dates. Should any competitors choose to fly into Flagstaff Pulliam Airport they may encounter limited availability of rental vehicles. Competitors will schedule their departures for no earlier than 24JUL21. Flight itineraries will be submitted to SFC Jonathon Barnitz at [jonathon.w.barnitz.mil@mail.mil](mailto:jonathon.w.barnitz.mil@mail.mil) NLT 10JUL21 IOT account for personnel arrivals. Competitor POVs, GSAs, or Rentals will not be authorized for use during the competition. If there is any issues with travel please contact the POC within this paragraph.

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b. Spectators: Recommend Phoenix Sky Harbor International Airport (PHX) due to availability of rental vehicles, located 2.5 hours from Camp Navajo. The Flagstaff Pulliam Airport is located 15 minutes from Camp Navajo but, they may encounter limited availability of rental vehicles.

c. Distinguished Visitors: Same Guidance as (Spectators Para. 7 Subpara b.)

#### 8. Uniforms.

a. The Army Combat Uniform (ACU) will be worn at all times unless otherwise directed.

b. The Army Physical Fitness Uniform (APFU) will be worn by competitors as directed.

c. The Army Service Uniform (ASU) will be worn by competitors and board members only during the appearance boards and awards dinner. Competitor's ASU's will be sterilized and turned in to the TOC upon arrival.

9. Equipment. Soldiers will bring all items listed on Enclosure 4 (Packing List). Each item listed is necessary to conduct training and events during the competition. Competitors should ensure they bring necessary personal hygiene items, ID cards, ID tags, prescription eyewear, and medication to last for the duration of the BWC. Additional equipment not listed on the packing list will be issued upon arrival.

#### 10. Lodging.

a. Competitors: Lodging is provided on Camp Navajo. No payment is required.

b. Everyone else: The Doubletree by Hilton Hotels, 1175 W Rte 66, Flagstaff AZ 86001 has reserved rooms at the GSA rate. Please reserve NLT 1JUL21 and mention the NBWC event for the group rate. There's multiple lodging options within Flagstaff for those who wish to stay somewhere else.

#### 11. Meals.

a. Competitor meals will be provided only during the competition. If competitors elect to arrive early they will need to be on per diem.

b. All other BWC spectators and Distinguished Visitors will require funding IOT eat on the economy.

c. The Senior Enlisted Leader (SEL) and State Command Sergeant Major (SCSM) of Arizona will host a welcome dinner for competitors on the evening of 19 JUL 21 at the DFAC on CNTC.

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