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Hey Dad!,

So yeah basically we're leaving this Saturday for Victory Forge and I'm really excited. It's like a 6-day bivouac/ test on everything we learned, combat-wise. We use blanks, but there's also a laser system attached to the barrel and special vests for simulation purposes.

Lately though, we've just been sitting around the bay going over this and that. We've also shaved and shaped our berets! We get to wear them around the bay to form them so that we don't have to adjust them when we put them on. What's cool is that you wear your beret for the ACU's and the dress uniform. The only time we wear our caps is when we're in the field.

Another thing that keeps happening is that all of the stuff that we bought earlier on is showing up, like our pictures. (I sent Meagan one) I also ordered some T-shirts so when I get to Virginia, I'll have civies for the weekend.

Family day, me and some friends who's families aren't coming, are venturing off to find the giant PX and food! There's a Burger King literally right around the block.

Well, I need to rest for Victory Forge. Make sure to let people know I graduate on the 10<sup>th</sup> so probably stop sending mail on the 4<sup>th</sup> or 5<sup>th</sup>.

Love Ya!

-Kyle