COMMISSIONER’S CACHE

And the big buildup to our National Finals Competition has begun. If your team is one of the 28 who has earned your way to Baltimore, congratulations! CP-X has been more rigorous than any in our history, so fighting your way through a 5,000+ team field takes on even more significance than in seasons past. I look forward to personally greeting you and in hosting you for what we hope is a life-changing week.

For those who came oh-so-painfully close, I wish we could expand the number of teams to include you, but sadly that is not possible. But in our justified enthusiasm to host another outstanding championship, let’s not lose sight of our real purpose with CyberPatriot. In the final analysis, our program is delighted to award medals and scholarships.

But even if your team won’t be in Baltimore, you can win at the core function of CyberPatriot by pursuing advanced education in cybersecurity and in STEM. There can be no greater “winning” than having a rewarding career in defending our networks from those who would do us harm. Our generous sponsors, led by Northrop Grumman Foundation, hope you will consider that. And so do I.

Bernard K. Skoch | CyberPatriot National Commissioner

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#CPXFINALS

SEMIFINALS OVER – NATIONAL FINALISTS GEAR UP FOR BALTIMORE

From its start on Feb. 9, the CyberPatriot X Semifinals was an exceptionally tough round. Though some teams scored quickly at first, the scoring gradually slowed to a snail’s pace by the third hour of the competition. That trend continued throughout the weekend. The Platinum Tier worked on four images, and for the first time since the Practice Round teams were assigned Ubuntu 16 and Server 2016 images.

The Semifinals ended with the 28 top-scoring teams earning the title of National Finalist. For the complete list of National Finalist Teams, please see pages 2-6 or the CyberPatriot website at http://uscyberpatriot.org/Documents/Scores/National20Finalists.pdf

Now that the online season has ended, it is worth mentioning that there were several firsts during this season -- 64-bit host operating systems were required, the building block approach to images connected image types from round-to-round, and four Platinum Tier images in the Semifinals.

The National Finals Competition will take place in Baltimore, Md., April 16-18. The National Finalists will arrive at the Hyatt Regency Hotel on or before April 15. Teams require much preparation for the competition because the challenges are new or more difficult.

April 16 begins the competition with the Facebook Challenge, which consists of a multiple choice test and a hands-on activity. April 17 has two challenges scheduled. Each is more difficult than during the online rounds.

The Network Security Master Challenge will present teams with eight system images which they are to protect, but the challenge includes a Red Team of industry penetration testers who will actively probe and attack the teams’ defenses. The AT&T Mobile Device Component of the challenge requires the teams to use iPads to conduct network activities. The Cisco Networking Challenge consists of a quiz and a hands-on exercise that involves physical cabling.

The CyberPatriot National Champions will be announced at the Awards Banquet on April 18. Check the next edition of The CyberSentinel for the winners.
Coach: Paul Johnson  
Team: Akul Arora  
Alex Guo  
Andrew Wang  
Daniel Chen  
Eric Chen  
Pranav Patil

Coach: Paul Johnson  
Team: Cynthia Li  
Emily Park  
Hannah Zheng  
Lucy Gao  
Shruti Verma  
Cynthia Zhang

Coach: Paul Johnson  
Team: Aaron Li  
Alan Wang  
Arjun Ghoshal  
Justin Lin  
Phoenix Dimagiba

Coach: Nicky DeBolt  
Team: Melanie Pierce  
Jacques Steyn  
Mason Newman  
Brenner Dugan  
Andreas Brecl  
Nate Hersher

Sunday, April 15  
Teams Arrive

Monday, April 16  
Facebook Challenge

Tuesday, April 17  
Network Security Master Challenge  
(with AT&T Mobile Device Component)  
Cisco Networking Challenge

Wednesday, April 18  
National Finals Awards Banquet

MEET THE CP-X NATIONAL FINALIST TEAMS
HIGHLANDS RANCH HIGH SCHOOL  
**Coach:** Nicky DeBolt  
**Team:** Devin Sharpe  
Grayson Northrip  
William Gray  
Matt Liss  
Austin Grandpre  
Bennett Atencio  

![Colorado Flag](image)

Highlands Ranch, CO

LOYOLA BLAKEFIELD  
**Coach:** Steven Merrill  
**Team:** Greg Peterson  
Chris Ptak  
Michael Chaney  
Nick Kristy  
Drew Haiber  
Manny Spannos  

![Maryland Flag](image)

Towson, MD

OPEN DIVISION

NORTH HOLLYWOOD HIGH SCHOOL  
**Coach:** Jay Gehringer  
**Team:** DoHyun Cheon  
Alexander Ke  
Lyna Kim  
Richard Shuai  
Eugene Woo  

![California Flag](image)

North Hollywood, CA

HIGHLANDS RANCH HIGH SCHOOL  
**Coach:** Jay Gehringer  
**Team:** Katherine Rocha  
Stephanie Schubert  
Kaylee Kirkwood  
Kelsi Keys  
Sara Navidi  
Lauren Lee  

![Colorado Flag](image)

Highlands Ranch, CO

LOYOLA BLAKEFIELD  
**Coach:** Jay Gehringer  
**Team:** Jonathan Liu  
Aled Cuda  
Nikola Pratte  
Kyle Gusdorf  
Jarek Mendelsohn  
Sophia Hewitt  

![Maryland Flag](image)

Towson, MD

NORTH HOLLYWOOD HIGH SCHOOL  
**Coach:** Jay Gehringer  
**Team:** Jonathan Opell  
Glen Husman  
Bryan Goldenberg  
Nathan White  
Jillian Kusch  

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North Hollywood, CA
OPEN DIVISION

TROY HIGH SCHOOL
Coach: Allen Stubblefield
Team: Jared Flores
        Jennifer Ho
        Kanin Liang
        Jiera Sirivatanarat
        Yoon Kang
        Minh Nguyen

TROY HIGH SCHOOL
Coach: Allen Stubblefield
Team: Jarred Allen
        Ahmed Abdalla
        Brandon Tetley
        Christos Bakis
        Jonathan Chen
        Steven Fosmark

TROY HIGH SCHOOL
InSecT DesTROYers
Coach: Allen Stubblefield
Team: Jared Flores
        Jennifer Ho
        Kanin Liang
        Jiera Sirivatanarat
        Yoon Kang
        Minh Nguyen

TROY HIGH SCHOOL
Troy Tech Support
Coach: Allen Stubblefield
Team: Jarred Allen
        Ahmed Abdalla
        Brandon Tetley
        Christos Bakis
        Jonathan Chen
        Steven Fosmark

ALL SERVICE DIVISION

ALAN B. SHEPARD HIGH SCHOOL
Coach: Dan Johnson
Team: Jacob Kalabich
        Andrew Kuntz
        Josh Nolan
        Nick Smeraldo
        Ryan Smith

ALAN B. SHEPARD HIGH SCHOOL
Dark Horse
Coach: Dan Johnson
Team: Jacob Kalabich
        Andrew Kuntz
        Josh Nolan
        Nick Smeraldo
        Ryan Smith

SCRIPPS RANCH HIGH SCHOOL
Coach: Michael Sheldon
Team: Shane Donahue
        Valerie Ho
        Jackwin Hui
        Brandon Nguyen
        Melba Nuizen
        Alexander Roh

SCRIPPS RANCH HIGH SCHOOL
BitFalcon
Coach: Michael Sheldon
Team: Shane Donahue
        Valerie Ho
        Jackwin Hui
        Brandon Nguyen
        Melba Nuizen
        Alexander Roh

ALAMO HEIGHTS HIGH SCHOOL
Coach: Jasper Miller
Team: Abigail Zepeada
        Jana Hendricks
        Sasha Rukhina
        Dayana Castro
        Troy Whitney
        Jack Harrell

ALAMO HEIGHTS HIGH SCHOOL
Golden Mules
Coach: Jasper Miller
Team: Abigail Zepeada
        Jana Hendricks
        Sasha Rukhina
        Dayana Castro
        Troy Whitney
        Jack Harrell

LEILEHUA HIGH SCHOOL
Coach: Nick Spiridigliozzi
Team: Jacob Huerta
        Jarod Olive-Stalling, Jr.
        Tyler McWilliams
        Michael Compton
        Christian Villarreal
        Daniel Brink

LEILEHUA HIGH SCHOOL
Mules
Coach: Nick Spiridigliozzi
Team: Jacob Huerta
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        Tyler McWilliams
        Michael Compton
        Christian Villarreal
        Daniel Brink

OPEN DIVISION

FULLERTON, CA

SAN DIEGO, CA

PALS HEIGHTS, IL

SAN ANTONIO, TX

WAHIWA, HI

FULLERTON, CA
FULLERTON COMPOSITE SQUADRON 56
Coach: Juan Ordaz
Team: Daniel Hayase
      Andrew Ordaz
      John Garcia
      Austin Ahn
      Simon Kang
      Jesse James

Invitca
Fullerton, CA

SACRAMENTO DIVISION US NAVAL SEA CADETS
Coach: Shirley Yang
Team: Jeff Huang
      Evan Huang
      Connor Yang
      Hannah Han
      Emily Foreman
      William Smith

Spartans
Sacramento, CA

SAN DIEGO REGIONAL US NAVAL SEA CADETS
Coach: Tim Householder
Team: Maya Morales
      Jonathan Truong
      Cameron Lu
      Nicholas Morales
      Caleb Farrales

California Burrito
San Diego, CA

Ladera Vista Junior High
Coach: Sarah Lee
Team: Garret Fan
      Timothy Kim
      Justin Huang
      Zachary Dang
      Nathaniel Hernandez
      Justin Hernandez

CaSH Register
Fullerton, CA

OAK VALLEY MIDDLE SCHOOL
Coach: Paul Johnson
Team: Kevin Hu
      Bryant Jin
      Devam Shrivastava
      Gautam Gupta
      Jeffrey Sheng
      Jonathan Lin

CyberAegis Cancer Minor
San Diego, CA

OAK VALLEY MIDDLE SCHOOL
Coach: Paul Johnson
Team: Akshay Rohatgi
      Andrew Pu
      Kian Kishimoto
      Michael Chen
      Tanay Shah
      Vihan Jayaraman

CyberAegis Scorpio
San Diego, CA
Coaches’ Corner

- CyberPatrol XI Registration. Don’t delay! Team registration for the upcoming season of competition (CyberPatrol XI) is opening on April 1! Returning coaches should log in with their current username and select “Create Team” to complete a team application. New coaches must first create a volunteer account. A single coach may register up to five teams. Registration fees for CP-XI are listed below:

  - Open Division: $205 per team*
  - Middle School: $165 per team*
  - All Service Division: Waived

  - Title I Schools: Waived**
  - All-Girls Teams: Waived **

* Register before July 1 for 20% discount
** Must request fee waiver on dashboard

CYBERPATRIOT XI
JOIN THE NATION’S LARGEST YOUTH CYBER DEFENSE COMPETITION!
REGISTRATION FOR THE 2018-2019 SEASON OPENS APRIL 1, 2018

BECOME A COACH FOR CP-XI || BECOME A MENTOR FOR CP-XI

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CYBERCAMPS 2018
Standard Camps & Advanced Camps
Register before May 1 to host a camp this summer!

CyberPatriot competitor Caleb Michael Brady was recently notified by the United States Air Force Academy that he has been accepted into the class of 2022.

Brady will begin his cadet Basic Training in late June of this summer and then join the entire cadre of the Air Force Academy in August with his summer classmates and the other 3,000 upper classmen for their upcoming academic year.

He has been the Color Guard commander and a member of the Honor Guard, Drill Team, and Canon Crew. He has also been the Plans and Programs officer in JROTC. He has been an active member of the CyberPatriot program, and the Drone crew of his high school.

Brady is from a strong military oriented family. His father was born overseas on a U.S. Air Force Base in Hahn, Germany. His paternal grandmother and grandfather both served in the U.S. Air Force during the Korean Conflict. He is the 8th born among nine children. Two of his siblings went to West Point, and his oldest brother is a Green Beret captain in the Army Special Forces. His oldest sister served an internship as a Navy JAG prior to becoming a Fifth Circuit’s Judge’s clerk. His third oldest sister’s husband is soon to become a Marine JAG. His next oldest brother graduates in May from Mizzou and commissions as a second lieutenant prior to his flight school training as a Marine aviator. His grandmother served 24 years in the Air Force as a fighter pilot and instructor prior to his retirement as a lieutenant colonel.

Brady plans to pursue a degree in Cyber Security at the Air Force Academy which he, in turn, will use to serve his country’s defense.  

We are pleased to announce the addition of ICF as CyberPatriot’s newest CyberPartner.

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