

*Talking points for
Highway Patrol Graduating Class
December 4, 2003*

- Recognize
 - Commissioner David Huggins
 - Colonel L.M. Claiborne
 - Friends and family
 - Most importantly, cadet class 56

- Your training is steeped in tradition but has grown and adapted to modern technology and advancements in law enforcement

- From 500 applicants, 68 were selected to begin training 18 weeks ago

- Of the 68, 41 will graduate today in front of the smiling faces of their loved ones

- To the wives, husbands, children, and loved ones of these cadets, thank you for your sacrifice while these men and women have been here training to ensure the safety of Mississippi's citizens

- To the 41 cadets and the 510 already serving, thank you for agreeing to put your life on the every day to ensure safe streets and playgrounds in communities across our state