



# Delaware Military Academy

## 2019 National Blue Ribbon School



January 27, 2020

Good morning Seahawk Nation,

We hope you had a pleasant weekend and that your Monday is off to a good start. Thank you to the families who have been sending in their DMA Annual Fundraiser promise. Your contributions are greatly appreciated! Those who have not, please do so soon or call the office to arrange a payment plan (if necessary).

Here is what we have happening at DMA as the first month of 2020 comes to an end:

- ❖ There is a DMA Board meeting this evening, 6:00pm in Tally Hall.
  
- ❖ Thank you to all the parents who have completed our Middle States survey. We have exceeded the required number of surveys and will be closing the parent survey today. The results of these surveys will be combined with our staff and cadet surveys to help guide our goal setting for the next seven years. Thank you! If you are interested in serving on any of the Middle States committees, please reach out to [debra.certesio@dma.k12.de.us](mailto:debra.certesio@dma.k12.de.us)  
Thank you!
  
- ❖ The FAFSA workshop that was scheduled for tonight has been cancelled due to lack of registrations. If you are a senior and still need help completing the FAFSA, please contact Mr. Grant or Mrs. Certesio and we will refer you to our local financial aid partner.
  
- ❖ This past Friday, twenty-five cadets were part of an educator lift, which takes the cadets over to River Road by helo and then allows them to use various simulators and tour the hanger of the Air Guard. The cadets had an informative and exciting field trip.
  
- ❖ DMA Administration will be conducting interviews this Wednesday for the class of 2024. We will respond to your inquiries as soon as we have the chance.

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- ❖ Monday, February 3<sup>rd</sup> is Community Service Day for DMA. There is no school, but each cadet is required to do three hours of community service and submit to their Naval Science Instructor.
  
- ❖ AD Report: Each year, The Delaware Women Alliance for Sports & Fitness Athlete of Promise Award is presented to each participating high school to recognize a 9<sup>th</sup>, 10<sup>th</sup> or 11<sup>th</sup> grade female athlete who excels in academics, begun to portray qualities of dedication, leadership and sportsmanship, and who participates in at least one sport per year. This year's award recipients for DMA are ***Sophia Manuel, Adriana Palladinetti and Reilly Sullivan***. The girls will be honored at the Annual Women in Sports Day Luncheon on April 9<sup>th</sup> at the Modern Maturity Center. Well done ladies!
  - Congratulations to ***Cadet Appleton, Cadet Enos, Cadet Kuennen, Cadet Montgomery, Cadet Gambarcorta, Cadet Skurla and Cadet Elliott*** who will be representing DMA as ambassadors for the 2020 DFRC Blue Gold All-Star Football game.
  
  - Congratulations to ***Hunter Smith*** who earned his 100th career win in wrestling this last weekend at the Cavaliers Duals Tournament. Talking about wrestling, our team is currently ranked 4<sup>th</sup> in the state. This team is truly building something special!
  
  - Our boys and girls basketball teams earned quality wins this past week, helping both teams go up in the rankings. Both teams are currently ranked 25<sup>th</sup>. The top 24 teams in the state make the playoffs.

We hope you have a great week and as always, if you need anything please do not hesitate to reach out!

Kind regards,

Anthony Pullella

Commandant

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