



Delaware Military Academy

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Good morning Seahawk Nation,

Welcome back to what looks like an interesting week of weather. Please ensure you are on my Remind text alerts so that you do not miss any relevant information regarding delays, cancellations or uniform adjustments. To sign up, please visit www.demilacad.org under stay connected with DMA. As a follow-up, Verizon has elected to redact their effort to put a fee on the Remind app. This means the issue we addressed in the previous email has been resolved and there is no need for Verizon customers to have to do anything extra. Verizon customers will still receive regular text alerts as they always have. This is great news for the many teachers, parents, and students who use the app and we hope to continue to use it as an effective means of communication for years to come.

Here is your weekly report:

- ❖ Congratulations to the Shining Seahawks for the Month of December! Mrs. Harkey nominated Freshman Cadet Joshua Broomell. Mr. Lingenfelter nominated Sophomore Cadet Michaela Charno. Commandant Pullella nominated Junior Cadet Jacqueline Means and Master Chief Call nominated Senior Cadet Samantha Freeland. For more information and pictures, check out the Shining Seahawks page on the DMA website! BRAVO ZULU!
- ❖ The admissions/interview process for the class of 2023 is now complete! Thank you to all of the Staff and Admin team who assisted in the process. Notifications will be sent out the evening of February 8th.
- ❖ The 2nd semester is officially underway. 1st semester report cards were issued last Friday. Please review and let us know if we can provide any additional assistance if needed.
- ❖ There is a DMA Board meeting this evening beginning at 6:00pm in Talley Hall (TH-2).
- ❖ Due to the weather forecast, we will be moving inspection day from Thursday to tomorrow (Tuesday). Uniform of the day will be service dress for Chiefs and above. Peanut butters for PO1 and below.
- ❖ The guidance department will host the last hands-on FAFSA workshop for seniors and their parents this evening. If you have not yet completed your FAFSA and would like help from the Delaware Financial Empowerment Office, please register at <https://goo.gl/forms/LYEc5yT0sAVjQ3tH3>. The workshop will begin promptly at 6:30 in Mr. Green's classroom (TH04).

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- ❖ Yearbook “Porthole” Reminders:
 - **The YEARBOOK ORDER DEADLINE HAS BEEN EXTENDED TO – THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 28 AT MIDNIGHT!!!** It is only sold online. There will be NO yearbooks sold after that date and no more extensions. Please don't be left without one. *All cadets are pictured several times in the yearbook.* Please go to www.yearbookordercenter.com (Order # 16925) to get your copy of the 2019 Porthole TODAY!!!
 - The Senior Group Photo and Club Pictures will be taken after Annual Inspection. Specific details to follow.
 - If you have any photos of any DMA Cadet Activities that you would like to be considered for publication in the yearbook or newspaper, please send them (with identification in the subject line) to: dmaporthole@gmail.com
 - Any questions about the DMA Porthole, please contact Mrs. Faccenda at ann.faccenda@dma.k12.de.us .

- ❖ Spring Sports Meet the Coaches and Information Night will be held on Monday, February 11th at 6:30pm in the Mess Hall. This meeting is for all parents and athletes who will be participating in a spring sport.

- ❖ With the flu season among us, I wanted to provide some information about influenza (flu), preventative steps and symptoms to be aware of. Make sure you cover your nose and mouth with a tissue when coughing or sneezing. Hand washing with soap and water or alcohol-based hand sanitizer is very important! Avoid touching eyes, nose, and mouth to prevent the spread of germs. Avoid close contact with sick people. The CDC recommends to stay home for 24 hours fever free (without use of fever-reducing medications), except to receive medical treatment. Symptoms of the flu are: fever, cough, sore throat, runny or stuffy nose, body aches, headaches, and fatigue. Some may experience vomiting and diarrhea also. Please rest and drink plenty of clear fluids to prevent dehydration with the flu or any virus. Please keep your cadet home if he or she has... a temperature >100 degrees in the past 24 hours, vomited or had diarrhea in the past 24 hours, and/or a severe sore throat, cough, chest congestion or nasal drainage that is persistent. Once your cadet is 24 hours fever free without the use of fever-reducing medications, he or she can return to school. It is very important to get the flu vaccine, not only for yourself, but to protect others also. Stay healthy!

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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