



# Delaware Military Academy

## 2019 National Blue Ribbon School



2019 Homecoming King and Queen – Luigi Oronzio & Meadow Lemon

October 14, 2019

Good morning Seahawk Nation,

We had a wonderful Spirit Week and arguably, the best Homecoming game and dance we have ever had! The cadets (and guests) were well behaved, respectful and seemed to genuinely have a great time! Congratulations to our Homecoming King and Queen – Luigi Oronzio and Meadow Lemon! Thank you to the SBC, led by our President Stacy Wenner and all of the volunteers who dedicated their time to chaperone and ensure our kids had a safe and memorable evening.

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We have a few items to discuss, so let's get going!

- ❖ We have many wonderful things going on around DMA, but we are far from perfect. One area of concern is some of our parent's behavior at games. DMA is not going to have every call go our way, nor are we going to win every game. Berating officials, using profanity and in general being a sore loser will not be tolerated. Clearly, this message is not meant for 98% of our parents and fans who do the right thing, but if you are in the 2% who cannot control your behavior, you will be removed from our contests and not be invited back. Please, do not let your emotions get the best of you and embarrass yourself and athlete who is out there representing DMA! Remember, we win with humility and lose with dignity. Keep it classy DMA!
- ❖ Mr. Jeanne has created a Band APP group titled 'DMA Athletics' please join us at <https://band.us/n/a1a227E3reRbn> for immediate information regarding our athletic program.
- ❖ The winter "Meet the Coaches" night is tonight at 6:30pm in the Dome.
- ❖ Wednesday, October 16<sup>th</sup> at 7:00pm, DMA will be recognized at the Red Clay Board meeting for being a Blue Ribbon School. Thank you to Superintendent Green and the Red Clay Board for recognizing our accomplishment!
- ❖ Thursday October 17<sup>th</sup> at 6:30pm is a PTA meeting.
- ❖ Naval Science is looking for a female chaperone for a camping trip to Roosevelt Boy Scout Camp in Elmer, NJ. Departure from DMA is Friday 18 Oct at 1245, and return to DMA Sunday 20 Oct at 1100. If you are interested, please contact Commander Easley.
- ❖ Bravo Zulu to the DMA Marching Band, who headed to AI High School for the Cab Calloway Tournament of Bands Competition. The band took home a first place score and beat out both North East High School and Delsea Regional High in their competitive class. They also outscored a few bands outside of their class, including Newark High and Salesianum School. They head to Chapter Championships this weekend at Appoquinimink High, so we wish them a great performance.
- ❖ Wednesday, October 16<sup>th</sup> is PSAT Day at DMA and will not be a typical school day. All freshmen will take the PSAT 8/9, and registered juniors will take the PSAT/NMSQT. These cadets should report at normal time on October 16<sup>th</sup>. They will report directly to their testing room, not their homeroom. If you are not testing on Wednesday, you will not report to school that day. All testers may wear PT gear, and should bring two sharpened #2-pencils and a four-function, scientific, or graphing calculator. Calculators that access the internet are not permitted.

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Dismissal will be at approximately 11:00am, once testing concludes and all materials have been collected.

- ❖ College Application Week will be next week ~ October 21-25! For 2019, we have a scrabble theme -"What will Your Future Spell?" Over the week, we will look at the various options available to our cadets after graduation. Cadets in all grade levels will be participating in the College Application Week program through special projects in both Business and Naval Science classes, as well as our annual door-decorating contest! As part of our College Application Week activities, there will be a senior college workshop on Monday night, (10/21) called How to Pay for College. Our partner, Stand By Me, will be presenting on various options for paying for college including federal aid, scholarships and grants. No pre-registration is required. Our seniors will be completing some of their college applications next Thursday and Friday during their Naval Science class with the help of local volunteers and our school counselors. For more information, please contact Mr. Grant or Mrs. Certesio.
- ❖ We are still looking for your feedback! Parents, please take a few minutes to complete the parent survey by visiting <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/DMA2019Parents>. Your input is greatly appreciated. A separate survey link will be provided to the cadets to be completed in school. The survey will close on Friday, October 18<sup>th</sup>. Thank you in advance for your feedback.

We hope you have a great week and please share the attached ad on all of your social media outlets!

Kind regards,

Anthony Pullella

Commandant

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