



Delaware Military Academy



DMA's salute to Veterans as our cheerleaders, football players and contingent of cadets and parents took the "Walk Up the Street" to face Conrad in the "Payback" game.

November 13, 2017

Good Morning, Seahawk Nation,

What a great weekend for DMA! We had a lot of fun with the tailgate; it is great to see the cadets all out supporting one another in various events. Thank you to all of our parents who came out and braved the elements with us!

Here is what is happening this week:

- ❖ This Friday, the PTA is holding their Annual Turkey Drive to feed a Veteran family in need. Please drop your turkey off behind McDonald Hall between 6:30am and 12:00pm.
- ❖ All freshman will take the PSAT 8/9 this Wednesday, November 15th during Blocks 1 and 2. Following the exam, freshman will be dismissed to Block 3. With the exception of

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an adjusted bell schedule, it will be a typical school day for all other cadets and everyone should be in uniform. ***Freshman need to bring two sharpened #2 pencils and a calculator. Sharing calculators during the exam is not permitted, and teachers may not have calculators to lend. All testing will occur in Fusco Hall.*** Room assignments will be posted at the entrance to Fusco Hall on Tuesday afternoon. Upon arrival to school Wednesday, freshman should report directly to their testing room. Freshman are encouraged to try their best on the PSAT 8/9, as it is an indicator of future performance on the SAT, and provides valuable data about the areas in which cadets should look to improve their skills.

- ❖ The Delaware School Counselors Association will be holding their 60th Annual College Night at the UD Bob Carpenter Center ***tomorrow evening at 6:30 pm.*** We encourage ALL DMA cadets and their parents to attend this wonderful event.
- ❖ Report cards were issued last week. If they have not made it into your hands, please ask for them so you know how your cadet is performing academically.
- ❖ There is a Music Association meeting this Tuesday 6:30 pm in the Mess Hall.
- ❖ There is a PTA meeting this Thursday 6:30 pm in the Mess Hall.
- ❖ On Thursday, November 30th the cadets of DMA will come together for our Annual “Dining In” Ceremony. The Dining In is where the cadets and instructors combine to celebrate a night of military tradition and pageantry. It is a time to experience a small taste of a true military ceremony. The Cadet Commanding Officer (Cadet Capt. Kathryn Certesio) will preside over the ceremony as President. The purpose is to salute the five services of the United States. The ceremony will be held at Cavaliers Country Club beginning at 6:30 pm. There is a formal dinner with dancing to follow. All cadets are encouraged to attend, see your NSI to sign up.
- ❖ Sports Report:
 - The SBC Board Meeting is November 16th at 6:30 pm in the Dome. Winter Sports registration through www.FamilyID.com is still OPEN.
 - The Football Team and Cheerleaders dominated their rival Conrad by the score of 48-6 and won the inaugural DSAC Football Championship. Congrats on the new banner! The team earned the #1 seed in the DIAA State Tournament and will take on #8 seed Delmar this Friday night at home at 7:30pm. Good luck!
 - Cross Country competed in the State Championship this past weekend at Killens Pond and did very well! The Girls finished 9th out of 26 D-2 schools and the Boys finished 7th out of 28. Congratulations on a great season to both teams. DMA is very proud of all of you!

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- Our Field Hockey team braved the stinging rain and low temps in the first round of the State Tourney, but unfortunately lost to Mt. Pleasant. Congratulations on a great season, and for being the first DMA Field Hockey tourney team.
- The Soccer Team is playing some great soccer, and have now advanced to the D-2 Semifinals. They defeated rival Archmere in the first round 1-0, and followed that with an upset of the #2 seed Laurel by the score of 2-1. The team is flying high and looking to defeat #3 seed Indian River on Wednesday night 6:00 pm at Dover HS. Let's head down south and support the team!! Congrats to the team, and good luck!

As we head into the Thanksgiving break I would be remiss if, on behalf of all of us at DMA, I didn't share with you just how thankful we are to work at DMA, where we literally watch our kids grow into young adults. We get to be there with them when they laugh, cry, celebrate, win, lose and everything else that transpires within a four-year window of time we call high school. This place we call DMA, the Seahawk Nation, is truly special, and it is wonderful to see how far we have come. It is even more exciting to know we are really just getting started... Have a wonderful, safe Thanksgiving with family and friends, and, as always, thank you for entrusting your children to our care. Happy Thanksgiving.

Kind regards,

Anthony Pullella
Commandant

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