



Delaware Military Academy

2019 National Blue Ribbon School



February 4, 2020

Good morning Seahawk Nation,

We trust that our cadets got out into the community yesterday, or over the weekend and did some good for others. I have received many emails thanking DMA for our cadets' assistance with various agencies. Well done DMA!

That is the good news. The bad news is we did have about a third of our seniors who decided to take it upon themselves to take Friday off (even after they were told it was not an excused day). We will not accept anything as an excused absence other than a doctor's note, and those seniors who opted to take the day off will have consequences. Any note that was turned in prior to Friday with a valid reason (school visit, death in the family, etc...) for being absent Friday will be taken into consideration. We also had grade level assemblies last Friday and the classes were all reminded that beginning this month, any suspension from school deemed egregious, could result in loss of Prom, Hershey Park Trip, senior breakfast, walking at graduation etc... This senior class is no different from any other and they will be required to meet the standards of those who came before them. As you can see, this adds additional work to the Administrative Staff, which should not have to happen in the first place. Please support us by having a conversation with your cadet about finishing the year strong and not enabling them to make decisions that go against school policy.

Here is what we have going on this week:

- ❖ Congratulations to Lucas Cook and Luke Charno who were notified last week that they received a three year Army ROTC scholarship! Well done gentlemen! Looking forward to hearing about others in the Class of 2020 with similar opportunities!
- ❖ Thank you once again to our wonderful PTA who is on site today providing Staff with a "Souper Bowl" luncheon. Our PTA continually goes above and beyond for the good of all of DMA. Please come to a meeting and find out more about the organization and what they do for DMA and our cadets. If you are not a member of the PTA, please sign up today!

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- ❖ Congratulations to our Drill Team who competed this Saturday at Glasgow High School. DMA came in first for armed platoon, first for two-man trick, second for armed inspection and second for unarmed platoon. BRAVO ZULU!
- ❖ With the start of this new Semester, it is a great time to think about making sure all these new experiences are remembered. The DMA Porthole is the perfect option to keep all these memories stored, and all in one convenient place! Get your yearbook now while it is still on sale at a reduced price. Go to www.yearbookordercenter.com and enter order #16925 to get yours today.
- ❖ For our Seahawk Families of Seniors and business owners, you still have the opportunity to feature your Senior or Business by purchasing an ad in the yearbook. This is a great chance to showcase your Senior's accomplishments, or all that your company has to offer. On sale through March 1st, Senior Baby Ads and Business Ads can be purchased by heading to our order center website as well. Show your Seahawk Pride by supporting our cadets.
- ❖ Interims for the third marking period will be distributed Monday, February 10th.
- ❖ Sports Report: Congratulations to our winter sports athletes who have excelled academically this last marking period. As an athletic program, our athletes averaged a **3.36 grade point average**. We have 152 cadets participating in a winter sport. Seventy percent of our winter sports athletes made Honor Roll. **Wrestling – 3.45 GPA, Boys Basketball – 3.1 GPA, Girls Basketball – 3.74 GPA, Cheerleading – 2.93 GPA, Indoor Track – 3.4 GPA, Ice Hockey – 3.25 GPA, Boys Swimming – 3.51 GPA, Girls Swimming – 3.82 GPA**. Well done winter athletes!
 - Meet the Coaches will take place Monday, February 10th at 6:30pm in the Dome. We welcome all spring sports athletes and parents/guardians to attend this informative meeting.
 - DMA is launching its first annual sports camp. The camp is open to campers between 11 and 14 years of age. If interested, please click on the link below: <https://delawareseahawkscamp.com/>
 - Congratulations to our wrestling team who won the DSAC Conference and the Red Clay Duals Meet Championship. This team is having a very special season!

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We hope you have a great week and continue to instill Pride and Ownership in your DMA cadet!

Kind regards,

Anthony Pullella

Commandant

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