



Delaware Military Academy

February 5, 2019

Good Afternoon, Seahawk Nation,

Happy Tuesday! We trust your cadet had the opportunity over the weekend or Monday to provide some form of community service. If they have not, please work with them to find something meaningful where they can volunteer a couple hours of their time to benefit others.

Here is what is happening, as February gets underway:

- ❖ Last call for any family who still wishes to contribute to the 2018-19 DMA Annual Fundraiser. We are well short of 100% family participation, which is unfortunate. We will continue to provide our cadets with the best we can, but family contributions have a significant impact on what we can and cannot do.
- ❖ The Annual Inspection is set for this Thursday. The Naval Science Department and cadets have been working diligently to ensure we earn the highest rating possible (Distinguished Unit with Honors) for a 16th consecutive year. Annual Inspection is normally a two-day process with the second day being a Pass-In-Review. You will receive notification later this week as to exactly what the plan for Friday is, and whether it will be held indoors or out.
- ❖ Friday, February 15th is a parent conference day. There will be no school for cadets. Parents of struggling cadets are encouraged to reach out to teachers and schedule a conference. Conferences will be held from 7:30 am until 12:00 pm on the 15th. Mrs Certesio and Mr. Grant will also be offering college planning meetings for juniors (and their parents) during this time. Please reach out directly to your child's teacher or college counselor to schedule an appointment.
- ❖ In an effort to make the night of the Academic Awards Ceremony a shorter evening for all and to make the awards distributed at this event a bit more meaningful, we are eliminating the award for receiving an A in a course. Instead, we will be issuing honor roll certificates at the end of each marking period. Tomorrow in homeroom, cadets will receive certificates for being named to the honor roll for the first and second marking periods. Close to four hundred certificates will be issued for each of the two marking periods. We look forward to seeing even more honor roll certificates distributed at the end of the third marking period. BRAVO ZULU!
- ❖ There will be a Spring Meet-the-Coaches information night on Monday, February 11th at 6:30 pm in McDonald Hall. All parents/guardians of spring athletes who are interested in trying out for a spring sport are expected to attend. Start the season off on the right foot by being in the know.

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❖ Sports Report:

- DMA is in search of a Head JV Softball Coach and Head JV/Assistant Varsity Girls Lacrosse coach. Any interested candidates should contact Mr. Ryan at Michael.ryan@dma.k12.de.us
- The SBC is seeking candidates for the position of Treasurer starting in 2019/2020. Any interested candidates should contact Mr. Ryan or SBC President Stacy Wenner.
- Spring Sports registration is now open. Please go to www.familyid.com to register, pay and upload your four page DIAA Physical. No hard copies will be accepted.
- Boys Basketball is now 6-8 after a tough loss to Concord last week. They take on Friends this Wednesday at home. Good luck!
- Girls Hoops defeated MOT Charter last week followed by a loss to Tower Hill. They are now 3-11 on the season. They take on St. Georges today at home. Good luck ladies!
- Ice Hockey is now 11-6 after a tough loss to Father Judge last night. Their next game is Monday, February 11th against Sallies. It is DMA Senior Night and their last regular season game. Come out and root the team on to victory. Good luck!
- The Swim Teams are winding down a great regular season. The Girls take on Padua on Wednesday, followed by both teams facing Charter on Thursday to finish the regular season. Good luck!
- Indoor Track has completed their season. They will be looking to increase participation numbers next year. It is a great way to prepare for other sports and try something new that you just may love! Great job team! You did an excellent job!
- Wrestling has come on strong towards the end of the season. They competed in the Red Clay Duals this past weekend, and finished 2nd overall. They will next compete in the Independent Conference Championships on February 15th and 16th. Good luck!
- Winter cheer will be performing at most of the home boys basketball games. Come check them out!
- Please make sure you check out www.seahawkssports.com for updated information as well an article regarding fan behavior. Thank you.

We hope you have a great week and enjoy the warmer weather while it lasts!

Kind regards,

Anthony Pullella

Commandant

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