




Delaware Military Academy

May 14, 2018

Good afternoon, Seahawk Nation,

We hope you all had a nice weekend, and that Mother's Day was special for all of our DMA moms! We are inching closer to the finish line, and with that comes keeping the cadets checked in! We have great cadets here, but make no mistake about it, at the end of the day they are teenagers and itching for summer vacation like any other student across the country. As always, we will do our best to make each day as engaging and productive as possible. Please help us out by reminding your cadet to be on time, be prepared and wear the uniform with pride and respect.

Here is what we have going on this week:

- ❖  Big shout out to the DMA PTA for making our Staff Appreciation week one to remember! Every day throughout the week, our Staff was acknowledged and treated to something extra special! We absolutely have THE BEST PTA, which always does so much for our Staff and cadets! On behalf of the Staff and Administration, thank you for everything you do on a continuous basis for all of us!
- ❖ This evening, at 6:30pm, is the Senior Athletic Banquet. Mr. Ryan and the Sports Booster Club have been working very hard to make this a memorable evening for all of our seniors and parents. Please arrive on time. No walk-ins will be accepted. Attire for the senior banquet is: males... shirt and tie, females... dress or skirt. No jeans no flip flops.
- ❖ Meet-the-Director Night for Marching Band will be Tuesday May 15th at 6:30pm in the Music Room. Any current or new cadets are welcome to come learn more about the band program and encouraged to consider joining for the fall season. Band Color Guard tryouts will begin at the same time Tuesday evening with Coach Paula on the Drill Deck. If you are interested in Dance and Music, this is an awesome program to try with no obligation! The Music Department thanks you for your support!
- ❖ Academic Awards will be held this Wednesday evening at 6:30pm (by invitation only). All cadets who received invitations are encouraged to attend. You have worked hard to earn the award so please be here ON TIME, so we can properly acknowledge you for your efforts!
- ❖ This Thursday, at 9:00am, we will be dedicating a POW/MIA chair. The chair will be prominently displayed in the front of the DOME as our centerpiece to a military garden we are creating. When the garden is complete, the chair will serve as a continuous

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reminder that freedom is not free, and so many who have fought for our freedom are still missing or imprisoned. Let us never forget...

- ❖ This Friday is the Spring Pep Rally. We will have an abbreviated schedule with more information to follow.
- ❖ DMA cadets will be participating in the Memorial Day Parade this Sunday, May 20, 2018 on the Green at the University of Delaware. **ALL** cadets are invited and strongly encouraged to attend. The report time is 12:30 PM at the Green. The uniform will be Peanut Butters with Ribbons. The purpose of Memorial Day is to remember those who have made the ultimate sacrifice. DMA always has the largest contingency, and it is a great way to showcase our cadets locally.
- ❖ Sports Report:
 - Spring Athletes/Families – please make sure your Golf Ball Drop Tix are turned into your Coach or Team Parent ASAP. ALL spring athletes are responsible for selling these tickets. Thank you.
 - The 12th Annual DMA Golf Outing will be held on Friday June 22nd at Odessa National Golf Club. We have limited spaces still available so please sign up ASAP. Please visit www.dmagolf.com for more information. We are actively searching for sponsors for the golf outing. We have plenty of opportunities available including the popular CADET SHOUT OUTS. Show your support of DMA Athletics by purchasing a Cadet Shout or Hole Sponsor. You can also ask local businesses, families and friends to support as well. Anyone can contact Mr. Ryan at michael.ryan@dma.k12.de.us for more information or go straight to the website. www.dmagolf.com
 - FALL MEET-THE-COACHES NIGHT is Tuesday June 5th at 6:30pm in the DMA Dome.
 - For spring sports, our regular season is almost complete. This time of year is highlighted by our Senior Days/Nights when we get to honor our senior athletes and their parents.
 - The Baseball Team is 11-5 after dominating Glasgow this past Saturday 11-1. They finish their regular season this week when they play at Hodgson on Thursday followed by a home game on Saturday against Dover. This is also Senior Day for the boys. Good luck!
 - The Golf Team is 8-8 and will play their last two dual meet matches this week. They play Appo at home on Tuesday, followed by Hodgson at Patriots Glen on Wednesday. Good luck!
 - The Boys Lacrosse Team is 11-2 with two games remaining in the regular season. At this point, they have a chance at the number one seed in the state tournament.

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They play at Newark Charter on Tuesday followed by the senior game against FSMA on Thursday night at Caravel stadium. Good luck.

- The Girls Lacrosse Team defeated Caravel last week, and have finished their season at 2-13. The girls worked hard all year long, and look to keep improving next year. Good job, ladies!
- Our Girls Soccer Team is 10-2-1 with two games to go before the playoffs. They take on Indian River today at home followed by St. Andrews on Tuesday for Senior Day. Good luck, ladies!
- The Softball Team has one regular season game left before the playoffs. They play top-ranked Smyrna at home on Tuesday. Good luck, ladies!
- The Track and Field Team had another strong showing this weekend at the NCC Championships. The Girls Team finished 10th overall and the Boys Team finished 21st. Many personal records and season bests were recorded. This weekend they will compete in the DIAA Championships at Dover HS. Good luck!

As you can see, we have a busy week and month ahead of us filled with competitions, awards and information nights leading into next year. We encourage you all to get involved to the degree you can. Ask anyone who is involved with DMA, and they will tell you it makes the four-year journey more meaningful and so much more fun.

Have a great week, and continue to instill Pride and Ownership in your DMA cadet.

Kind regards,

Anthony Pullella

Commandant

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