



Delaware Military Academy

September 23, 2019

Good morning Seahawk Nation,

Happy Monday morning! Thank you to those who attended the opening of our new stadium this past Friday night. We had a great turnout and the weather was beautiful! Please see the attached link for one of several articles which featured our event: https://www.msn.com/en-us/video/more_sports/dma-celebrates-new-football-first-home-game/vi-AAHBuEC?ocid=se. Thank you to our Staff, PTA, Sports Boosters, Music Association and all of our parent volunteers who were instrumental in making the event a success! We simply cannot do what we do without you. Our cadets who volunteered to “Man the Rails” on the field represented DMA in a first class manner. I heard feedback from a number of folks (Red Lion included), as to how impressed they were with how well our cadets conducted themselves. We are all very proud of you and we are big believers in rewarding good behavior, so the cadets can expect something fun in the near future!

We have a busy week ahead of us, so let’s get to it:

- ❖ There is a DMA Board meeting this evening beginning at 6:00pm in TH-2 (Talley Hall- first floor).
- ❖ Service Academy night is tonight beginning at 6:30pm in McDonald Hall. There will be brief introductions and then we will begin four rotations. Representatives from the four service academies, as well as local recruiters and ROTC representatives will be presenting.
- ❖ Congratulations to Superintendent of Red Clay School District and parent, Dorrell Green for his induction into the 2019 Uof D Athletics Hall of Fame! Superintendent Green was one of six inducted this past Friday night. Quite an honor!
<https://www.udel.edu/udaily/2019/july/athletics-hall-of-fame-class-2019>
- ❖ Our 2019-2020 Yearbook ‘The Porthole’ officially goes on sale today. Order before the first sale period closes on December 31, 2019 to get the lowest price available! On sale now for only \$80.00, this price won’t last! Go to <http://yearbookordercenter.com> and use the Delaware Military Academy order #16925 to make your purchase today! If you have any pictures you think would be a great addition to our yearbook, please send them to dmaporthole@gmail.com and enter “for the yearbook” in the subject line. We’re always looking for photos of our Cadets to make the Yearbook as memorable as possible.
- ❖ Saturday, September 27th we will have a contingent of cadets participating in Vet Fest “Stop Soldier Suicide”. Please see the attached poster for more information.

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Attendance is critical to your cadet's success at DMA. Here are a few friendly reminders from Our Attendance officer at DMA.

- Any cadet who is marked absent unexcused during 1st and 2nd block will be receiving a phone call and/or email at home that day.
- Cadets need to bring a note to the main office in the morning if they will be leaving early for a legitimate appointment. The note must include the cadet's name, reason for the early dismissal, as well as the time they will be leaving. If they are leaving with someone other than a parent, the name and relationship must be included in the note.
- For absences, cadets must bring a note to the main office within two days of returning to school for their absence to be considered to be excused. The note must include the cadet name, dates absent and the reason for the absence. If a cadet is out for three or more consecutive days, a doctor's note is required upon their return. If a note is not received within two days of returning, the absence will remain unexcused.
- Any cadet who misses more than nine days of school, excused or unexcused, may be required to complete additional coursework (at their own cost), in order to be granted credit in academic courses. Please make every effort to be at school every day.

SPORTS REPORT: Seahawks Nation! WOW! Last Friday was an extraordinary night for our school, cadets, and our community! I want to take the time to THANK YOU all for your help, support and hard work this last week! The hard work by the DMA staff and parent volunteers was sincerely appreciated! Edward Enniful said "By people getting together and celebrating this idea of togetherness, great things can happen". I cannot agree more with this statement. The togetherness shown helped us make our Ribbon Cutting Ceremony a historical, magical and memorable moment for all stakeholders. We are extremely proud of our cadets; they were simply INCREDIBLE!

➤ Last week's results:

Our Seahawks experienced great success on the field.

Our Field hockey team finished the week 1-1 with a great win in overtime against Conrad!

Our Soccer team finished the week 1-1 with an impressive 6-0 win against Red Lion!

Our Volleyball team finished the week 1-2 with a great win vs. Tatnall during the home opener.

Our football team defeated Red Lion.

Our Cross country team saw many members of the team drop their personal time at the Middletown Invitational.

A huge congratulation to our band and cheerleading team who continue to put on a great show at our football games.

DMA Cares

We are excited to announce the launch of our DMA Cares program! Our athletes are committed to perform community service events and give back to the community. On Friday, October 18 we have 46 cadets who will travel to Forest Oaks and Linden Hill elementary schools to read books to the students.

G Week

On Wednesday, September 25 at 2:30 PM in the Dome, we will start the launch of a two days' partnership with Gatorade. A representative from Gatorade will come hold a 10 min informative presentation on nutrition to all of the fall athletes. Upon the conclusion of the presentation, all fall athletes will receive free Gatorade products (shakes, bars, chews). On Thursday, September 26, at dismissal,

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athletes will be able to stop by the Dome to pick up additional free products before heading to practice or game(s).

DMA Free Fall Sports Clinic Day

Come join DMA athletes and coaches, as we host our first FREE Fall Sports Clinic! Any 7th and 8th graders interested in participating in this event should register by clicking on the link below:

<https://docs.google.com/forms/d/1rmKfByvOdBIDOWEWTZoGNACXYqUj8hEfwMO3ymbTmv4/edit>

As always, the interscholastic athletic program of Delaware Military Academy is committed to the pursuit of excellence. Our program is designated to promote the intellectual, physical, social, and emotional development of the individual student, maintain the tradition of togetherness and utility among our student athletes and finally foster parental and community support. We believe our success stems from the cooperation of all members of the athletic community.

Together, let us continue to drive DMA to a winning culture with the 3 SHIP's (Leadership, Citizenship, and Scholarship)

We hope the start of the school year has been a good one for you and your cadet. If there is anything we can do to assist, please do not hesitate to reach out. Our goal is to make every cadet's experience at DMA uplifting, educational and memorable.

Kind regards,

Anthony Pullella
Commandant

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