



# Delaware Military Academy

2019 National Blue Ribbon School



## NJROTC - NAVY JUNIOR RESERVE OFFICER TRAINING CORPS

The NJROTC curriculum emphasizes citizenship, leadership and character development. The curriculum focuses on maritime heritage, the significance of sea power and naval topics such as the fundamentals of naval operations, seamanship, navigation and meteorology.

Classroom instruction is augmented throughout the year by community service activities, drill and marksmanship competitions, field meets, educational trips, visits to naval activities and other military training. The NJROTC curriculum is nationally accredited!

### The Mission of NJROTC (The mission is set by the Secretary of the Navy)

1. Promote Patriotism
2. Develop Informed And Responsible Citizens
3. Develop A High Degree Of Personal Honor, Self-Reliance, Individual Discipline And Leadership
4. Promote An Understanding Of The Basic Elements And Need For National Security
5. Provide Information On The Military Services As A Possible Career
6. Provide Community Service
7. Develop Leadership Potential
8. Provide An Alternative To Gangs
9. Promote High School Completion As Well As Advanced Education Opportunities
10. Provide Incentives To Live Healthy And Drug Free

### The curriculum

DMA is very unique because the cadets are in uniform every day, Monday through Friday. The Chief of Naval Education and Training prescribes the courses for naval science. The curriculum is customized by the Naval Science Instructors in any fashion they desire to accomplish the mission! The instructors strive to make the curriculum more interesting and an all-encompassing educational opportunity for the cadets.

### A normal week at DMA

Monday and Tuesday usually will be classroom instruction. Wednesdays the cadets will be taught drill and they will practice drill (drill teaches discipline and team work). Thursday is inspection day, every cadet will be inspected by their Instructor and upper level cadets. Inspections teach discipline and attention to detail along with how to be a small unit leader. Friday is physical training – the cadets learn the importance of fitness, stretching and the benefits of a good cardiovascular workout.

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## Curriculum by year level

### 9<sup>th</sup> Grade – Naval Science 1

Purpose: To introduce students to the meaning of citizenship, the elements of leadership, followership and the value of scholarship in attaining life goals. Additionally, the cadets taught the appreciation for the heritage and traditions of America, with recognition of the historically significant role of sea power; develop in each student a growing sense of pride in his/her organization, associates and self. These fundamentals are pursued at the fundamental level.

Course Content: Introduction to the NJROTC program; Intro to leadership, Naval Ships, the Navy's mission and organization, the nation, Navy and people in American democracy, Maritime Geography, Sea Power and Challenge, Naval History through 1815, Intro to Navigation and time, Basic seamanship, Oceanography, health education, including first aid, drugs, alcohol and tobacco abuse prevention.

### 10<sup>th</sup> Grade – Naval Science 2

Purpose: Build on the general introduction provided in Naval Science 1, to further develop the traits of citizenship and leadership in cadets. Introduce them to technical areas of naval science, and engender a deeper awareness of the vital importance of the world's oceans to the continued well-being of the United States.

Course Content: Includes ongoing instruction in leadership theory, Naval orientation and career planning, citizenship in the U.S. and other countries, Naval history: 1815 through 1930, naval ships and shipboard evaluations, naval weapons: gunnery, guided missiles and mines. Fundamentals and rules of the road, small boat seamanship, meteorology and weather and survival training.

### 11<sup>th</sup> and 12<sup>th</sup> grade – Naval Science 3 and 4

Purpose: Naval Science 3 and 4 both build on the fundamentals that are taught throughout NS1 and 2 with a strong emphasis on leadership. The cadets are progressing in rank and they are holding leadership billets. They are put in charge and guided along by their instructors.

During Naval Science the cadets work on resume's and college applications, they also prepare for their SATs and scholarships.

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