



KNIGHTS NEWS



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Superintendent's Message

Greetings from China! Mr. Erickson and I attended a recruitment fair in Shanghai organized by The Association of Boarding Schools. We met many prospective families and truly hope that some of them will join the NYMA community. We miss New York!



Dean's News

On Wednesday, most of our students were on campus taking either the PSAT 8/9 or PSAT/NMSQT. I personally proctored the 8th and 9th graders and was very impressed by the seriousness with which they took the exam. For some it was the first time sitting for an exam that long. Mrs. Magno was with the older group and is hopeful that this administration will produce another scholarship finalist and eventual winner. We expect the exam results to be sent to us some time in December and will share them with students and parents just as soon as they arrive. The prep sessions for the SAT and ACT exams offered by Mr. Roselli and Dr. Webb will begin this Saturday, October 14th. Please contact Mrs. Mango if you would like your child to participate in this 10-session prep course as there is still room. The next exam that is scheduled on campus is the ACT on October 28th.



To make the best use of the day for the seniors who were the only group of

students not testing, Mrs. Magno arranged a college visit to Marist College. They really enjoyed their tour which was chaperoned by Sergeant Bailey and Mrs. Madaia. Thanks to the two of them for helping out and making the trip possible!

Taken from the Marist website:

"Marist College, recognized for excellence by *U.S. News & World Report*, *Time*, *The Princeton Review*, and by *Barron's Best Buys in College Education*, is noted for its leadership in the use of technology to enhance the teaching and learning process. Founded in 1929, Marist's 210-acre campus overlooks the Hudson River in the heart of the historic Hudson Valley, midway between New York City and Albany, the state capital. What started as a school for the training of future Marist Brothers has developed into one of the leading colleges of the arts and sciences in the nation."



If you would like to attend the Parent/Teacher Conferences that are scheduled for October 21st, please be sure to contact Mrs. Madaia at Ext. 4262 by the RSVP date of October 18th. Teacher's schedules fill up fast, but we will do our best to accommodate your requests. All of the teachers will be located in the Academic Building for your convenience. Conferences will be followed by a barbeque luncheon at noon and then sport competitions which we hope you will also be able to attend. Mrs. Madaia has already begun the process of creating parent schedules which will be emailed to you towards the end of next week. There is a football game scheduled at West Point that day so we suggest that you take an alternative route to 9W which will likely have heavy traffic.

As you visit the Academic Building and Curie Dining Hall, please notice the artwork that has been put on display by Ms. Simon, our Art teacher. The talent of this year's Studio Art Class is simply amazing.

I am beginning to visit the classrooms which always makes me happy because I am reminded of how lucky we are to have such dedicated and talented faculty members. It is obvious how much thought and preparation goes into the lesson plans delivered to your children. On Thursday, I visited with Ms. Hill's 7th grade English class. Students were finishing the book, *The Light Through the Forest*. They were asked to research poems and choose one to read aloud to the class based on its similarities to the story. The poems that were chosen were great and Ms. Hill even commented that she would use one of them in future years. We then all got to participate in a Native American clay pot making demonstration.



From the Admissions Office

The inquiries in Admissions have picked up due to our scheduled Open Houses on October 21st and November 18th. We are anticipating a very large crowd for the October one. We will have refreshments for our guests and they will have the opportunity to meet with the Admissions team as well as administrators. Our Assistant Director of Admissions, Andrew Erickson, is currently in China working hard recruiting students with our Superintendent.

We have two new students who have joined us this week; one of whom will jump start our Post-Grad Program. In the past, we've had this program. It gives recent high school graduates the opportunity to increase academics as well as hone their athletic abilities before applying to college. We have decided to reintroduce this program recently and are thrilled to have our first cadet enrolled.

Make sure to like us on Facebook (New York Military Academy) and follow us on Instagram (@thenewyorkmilitaryacademy) to stay up to date with daily life at NYMA!

From the Athletic Department

On Saturday, October 7th, NYMA took a trip to Marvelwood after the SAT exam. Even though the score ended up being 6-1 Marvelwood, both teams played their hearts out. Cadet Remy Sykes, Alvin Lukose, Brandon Fooks, and Nigel Petti-Fernandez all played great and stood out for NYMA. Petti-Fernandez scored the one goal for the Knights. Both teams demonstrated good sportsmanship and fair play. We would like to thank Assistant Superintendent, Mr. Jonathan Gastel, for accompanying the team on their trip! The Knights were supposed to play this Wednesday against Woodhall Academy, but they had to cancel the match. We will try and reschedule this game if the schedule permits.



Academy, and our NYMA Knights. Sophomore Matthew Montes finished in 7th and the Knights came in 3rd overall. Storm King took home the championship plaque with Marvelwood finishing in 2nd.

Saturday, October 7th, the Cross Country team took the long drive to Darrow after the SAT exam and they took home first place! Miss Larabee was on hand to help with the coaching duties and she did an amazing job! Also adding a giant contribution to the entire day was Mr. Joe Ruiz who drove the team to and from Darrow. The boys especially loved Mr. Ruiz when they stopped for some dinner on the way back to campus! All of the Knights finished in the top 25. Cadet Matthew Montez came in 2nd, Karif Isaacs finished in 7th, Zamere Mckenzie came in 9th, while Zaahir Woody finished in 12th place.

On Wednesday, October 11th, we hosted our first cross country invitational of the fall season. There were 88 total runners who participated in the event from the following schools: Oakwood Friends, Poughkeepsie Day, Faith Christian, Storm King, Harvey School, Marvelwood, Commonwealth Academy, Woodhall

Both the Soccer and Cross Country teams will travel this Saturday as they head up 9W to Storm King School. The game and meet will both take place at 2:00 pm. Please come out and support our cadets!

Just a reminder that next weekend is Homecoming and we will have a soccer game vs. Marvelwood as well as our second NYMA Cross Country Invitational. Both will start on Saturday at 2:00 pm. We will also have an intramural game that afternoon for the cadets.

GO KNIGHTS!!!

Commandant's Notes

We're progressing right along this semester! Homecoming is nine days away and we have a bunch of activities planned. Next week is "Spirit Week". Banners will be made by each class and then hung up around campus. We'll have a "Best Banner Competition" sometime next week. We're also doing theme days during the coming week. Monday is "Crazy Hat Day" - cadets may wear any type of hat they choose. Tuesday is "Camo/Face Paint Day" - cadets may wear camouflage outfits, camo paint their face or use school colors, put ribbons in their hair, wear athlete eye-black, etc. Thursday is "Favorite Sports Team Day" - cadets may wear jerseys and hats from their favorite sports team. And Friday is "Team Wear Day" - cadets on the Soccer and Cross Country teams will wear their team uniform and intramural cadets will wear NYMA sportswear.

Friday night is the pep rally and bonfire. All students including day cadets will attend. Saturday is gameday and with a leadership class in the morning. All day cadets will need to be on campus by 8:45 am. Cadets will attend the leadership class with a corporate leadership trainer from 9:00 - 11:00 am while parents are at their conferences. We'll then "tailgate" (aka BBQ) out in front of the mess hall for lunch and then head to the games. The closed weekend ends after the games so if you would like your cadet to go home afterwards, please let us know next week. As always, feel free to contact me if you have questions at dlorenzen@nyma.org or Ext. 4210. Have a great weekend!

From the Activities Coordinator

As the temperature cools down, our activities are heating up! Thanks to the help of Dr. Webb and Daniel Geng, the glass doors of Scarborough Hall are looking extremely festive. There is a perfect combination of "pumpkin" and "scary".

We will have a scarecrow-making event in the Social Center on Friday and open swim and gym on Saturday evening. Sunday, we are hosting Oakwood Friends School for an outdoor game tournament and pumpkin painting.

Looking forward to next week, we will be having Pictionary night and a Walkway-Over-the-Hudson outing. We hope to see you on the campus for all of the Homecoming events as well!

We are planning a campus-wide school trip to The Castle Fun Center in Chester on the evening of Friday, November 17th. It's going to be a great event filled with laser tag, roller skating, rock-wall climbing, go-carting, and arcade games.

