



# KNIGHTS NEWS



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## Superintendent's Message

Despite the bad weather that affected a number of international students' return trips, all of our cadets completed their midterm exams and are ready for the long weekend.

While our cadets were busy taking their exams, the three visiting students from Taiwan had the opportunity to visit a number of local attractions such as the Public Library, Washington's Headquarters, and Dia: Beacon. Many thanks to the teachers who worked with the visiting students during this time! I hope that they will enjoy the rest of their stay here at NYMA.



## Dean's News

Students finished their review sessions this past Monday and spent the remainder of the week sitting for their midterm exams. With the exception of a few students who will need to make up exams due to medical absences, testing is complete. Teachers will spend the weekend grading the exams and will report grades to the office on Tuesday, January 16<sup>th</sup> which is also the start of the second semester. Report cards will be ready to view by Thursday, January 18<sup>th</sup>. Students' tutorial schedules will be




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*Ms. Harrel's Algebra 1 exam.*

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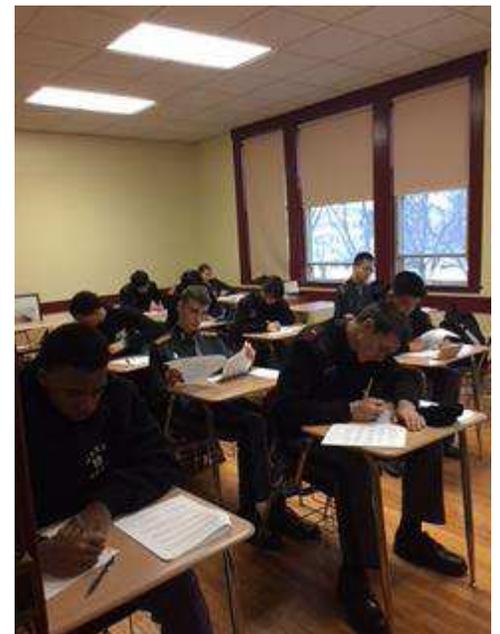
adjusted based on these grades.

You can see how hard the cadets were all concentrating during their exams. We hope they rest up this weekend for the start of the second semester on Tuesday.

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*Dr. Webb's English 4 exam.*

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## From the Admissions Office

Our Open House this past weekend was a great success. The snow did not slow down future NYMA families from coming to campus, seeing the sights, and touring with our cadets. The Admissions Department is constantly amazed at how professional and truthful our cadets are when showing potential students around.

### Upcoming Open Houses

February 10<sup>th</sup>    March 10<sup>th</sup>

May 5<sup>th</sup>            June 2<sup>nd</sup>

Please tell your friends about our Open Houses and let them discover what makes NYMA so special.

### Cadet Conversations

We want to relay a conversation our department had with the First Captain. We are all impressed with this young man and how he keeps finding new ways to shine. This is his answer to a question about what leadership quality he focuses on the most in his daily life (remember that he is a high school senior):

*"You have to have respect for the cadets you are in charge of and they have to know it in order for them to have respect for you."* - First Captain Nigel Petti-Fernandez

When he starts college next fall, how many of his fellow freshmen will have these kinds of thoughts?

## From the Athletic Department



All of the cadets are back from winter break and studied hard for their midterm exams. We have had a light practice schedule this week due to the exams. We also have a long weekend with Martin Luther King Jr. Day on Monday!

This Saturday the Varsity and JV Boys Basketball teams are back in action as JV will travel to Marvelwood and Varsity hits the road to take on league opponent, Darrow. Both games will be played at 2:30 pm.

Next week sports are back in full swing as most teams will be in action on Wednesday with the following schedule:

JV Boys Basketball vs. Poughkeepsie Day School - 3:30 pm  
 Varsity Boys Basketball vs. Poughkeepsie Day School - 5:00 pm  
 Cheerleading - 5:00 pm  
 Bowling vs. Storm King and Faith Christian - 2:00 pm  
 Wrestling vs. Woodhall and Forman - 3:00 pm

GO KNIGHTS!!!

## Commandant's Notes

As you have read in the notes from the other departments, midterm exams, sports, and cadet activities are challenging our cadets in a variety of ways right now. I am confident that all of their experiences will only serve to further develop their skills.

This weekend is a long weekend for NYMA. Cadets who are leaving campus are required to return to school by 5:00 pm on Monday, January 15<sup>th</sup>. Cadets who are participating in sporting events may go home after being released from their games.

We are delighted that more new cadets will join the NYMA community at the beginning of the spring semester. More exciting events such as cadet promotions and the Winter Formal will take place in the coming weeks. More details will be provided in the near future.

Enjoy your weekend!

## Counselor's Corner

Greetings NYMA families! Our students have been working hard to finish their midterms this week and I am so proud of the work that they have done!

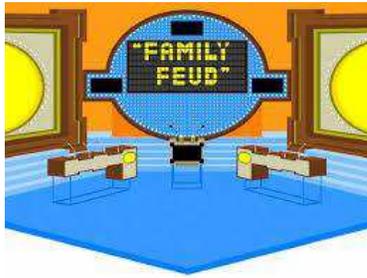
Sophomore and junior parents/guardians: if you would like to sign your student up for the second half of the SAT Prep Course, please email or call the Academic Office for pricing and dates. If your student is already signed up, the sessions begin again on January 27<sup>th</sup>.

As we enter into the second half of the year, we want to make sure that each of our students is continuing to grow, mature, and find their place in the Corps of Cadets. If your student would like a safe place to express their feelings or talk about any concerns, please do not hesitate to direct them toward my office in the Academic Building.

Thank you, as always, for trusting us with the care of your cadets.

## From the Activities Coordinator

This weekend many of the cadets are headed home for the long weekend. Some will be going on a trip with the Drill Team. For the rest of us, Family Feud Night will be taking place in the Social Center Friday evening. There will be prizes for the winning team, so we hope they have fun! Ms. Hill will also be taking several cadets to the local movie theater.



Next Friday we will have a "Heads Up" (a guessing game) competition in the Social Center. Then on Saturday Mini-Pizza Making Night will be happening in the Social Center. Ms. Pasquale is hosting a Woodbury Commons shopping trip on Sunday.

Our first horseback riding event will be taking place at Ivy Rock Farms in New Windsor in two weeks. Students must have a waiver filled out by a parent and the cost of this trip is \$55. Another trip like this one will happen again later in the semester.



Finally, thanks to the fantastic work of Mr. Erickson in Admissions, Cadet Activity Notices will begin appearing on the computer screen in the lobby of the Academic Building.

Have a fantastic weekend!