



Superintendent's Message

Greetings from Shanghai! On Sunday, March 10th, CSM Robin Zhao and I attended a recruitment fair in Shanghai. We met many families and prospective students. We will be representing NYMA at the Open House hosted by Shanghai's New Hong Qiao High School this coming Sunday. Good job, Robin!

Finally, our Spring Furlough is here! This is a time many of you escape to warmer climates and a more relaxed atmosphere — a change from the cold weather and snowstorms we've been experiencing this winter. It is also a chance for many of us to take a much-deserved breather from late nights at the library.

We have begun the re-enrollment process. Some of the parents should have received the re-enrollment invitation letter and financial contract. Others should be receiving them shortly after the marking period ends. If you don't receive anything from the school in the next three weeks and wish to discuss your child's academic plans for next school year, please feel free to email me at jzhang@nyma.org.

Whether you will spend your Spring Furlough with family at home, on a service-learning trip, or with friends in a sunny paradise, I am looking forward to seeing every cadet return happy and healthy in two weeks!

Please be advised that there will be no weekly newsletters for the next two weeks. Our next newsletter will be issued on Friday, April 5th.



Dean's News



Happy St. Paddy's Day to one and all! I did some research about the correct spelling of St. Paddy's Day and here is what I found "The reason that 'Paddy' is acceptable is that the D's in 'Paddy' comes from the Irish spelling of the name Patrick, which is spelled Pádraig. However you spell it, I wish you a joyous and safe celebration. We were treated to a visit from one of Mr. Dolan's former students who plays the bag-pipes. It's clear to see why music was used as a way to gather villagers. As he played, the entire building emptied out of their classrooms and offices to share in the experience. It was a really nice moment.

Cadets and faculty members have been awaiting this Spring Break. It seemed like our cadets fried their brains getting all of their work in by the close of the marking period and we were left with the aftermath this final week before break. I was pleased to see that most of the troublesome interim grades had been raised. Grades for the 3rd Marking Period were finalized and posted on Rediker on Wednesday. If you are having difficulty viewing the grades, or would like a copy e-mailed to you, please contact Mrs. Madaia and she will be happy to send one out. We return from break already in our 4th and final Marking Period. Please echo my pleas to have your cadets finish the year strong. We will be sending out notices to parents with students of concern. It is our hope that with your additional encouragement your child will finish the year successfully.

On Wednesday evening it was my pleasure to celebrate the achievements of the students who had earned high honor roll status for the past two consecutive marking periods. The pictured group (Right) was treated to a meal at "Flaming Grill" buffet in Newburgh and ate until they pretty much couldn't move. I was hoping that they weren't going to sleep through that evening's ESP. In attendance were Serena Yang, Yafei Wen, Ariel Farzan, Eric Zhu and Jolin Edmondson. It should be noted that Noel Maldonado had also earned a seat but was unable to attend. Good job cadets!!! I am so very proud of your ability to navigate the demands of athletics, the Corps, as well as your studies. Your future colleges and universities will take note of that as well.



The Corps of Cadets conducted the Drill & Ceremonies portion of the JPA (JROTC Program Accreditation) this Saturday. The NYMA Color Guard kicked off the event headed by Cadet Kobe Parker. The NYMA Color Guard consisted of Cadets Ellie Martinez, Ben Danilov, Joe Zhou and Kobe Parker. It was obvious to all who watched them how much hard work they had put into it and the Esprit de Corps of NYMA. I actually had tears in my eyes as I witnessed the near perfect exhibition. The maximum amount of points that could be earned between the color guard and the in-ranks inspection was 30. By the end of the inspection when all was tallied, NYMA had received 27.5 points. GREAT JOB and congratulations to all who participated! We would also like to thank the Fordham University ROTC members for the time they spent with our cadets. CSM Almeida treated all of the cadets to pizza to celebrate their hard work



Over the weekend, one of the LET (Leadership Education & Training) classes conducted a service-learning project in support of the JPA evaluation. Students traveled to the New Windsor Country Inn to play bingo with the senior citizens who reside there. The event was a huge success not only with



the residents but also with our cadets. Some of them had never played bingo themselves. I'd like to thank CSM Almeida's F Block LET class for their outstanding planning, preparation and execution of this great event. I'm sure you put a smile on all of the resident's faces. Great work and congratulations to F Block LET 2 class. (Pictured Left)



Ms. Furnia's Integrated Science class (Pictured Right) made a safer version of "elephant toothpaste," a reaction between hydrogen peroxide and yeast. The students had a great time playing with this safe version. This experiment was demonstrating an exothermic reaction, meaning that it gave off thermal energy. The result is a warm, foamy mess. To have an even stronger reaction, a hydrogen peroxide concentration of 20% should be used, but would also create foam that is not as safe or as fun. The students are learning about reactions, atoms, concentration and the periodic table, but took a small break for this requested activity. That's why they think you're the best, Ms. Furnia!!!



Mrs. Magno celebrated Pi day with all things round. Her students were treated to pizza and many different kinds of pies (pun intended). All they had to do was complete one of her grueling worksheets. For food, they'll do just about anything. They look pretty engrossed in the assignment. (Pictured Below)





Sometimes I really miss my former role as Director of College Counseling. I experienced a bit of a flashback when I was able to share in the excitement as Cadet Zuzanna Kulinska (Pictured Top Left) accepted a call from the basketball coach of Northwestern University in my office. Why was he calling her??? To offer her a Division 1 Basketball Scholarship!!!! Congratulations Zuzanna, from your NYMA family. You are deserving of this scholarship in every way. You are such a skilled athlete, but of course most important to me is that you are also a stellar student.

unmentioned or unnoticed. Mr. Sargent was so



Often times, the special things that our faculty members do for our students can go unnoticed. Mr. Sargent was so impressed by Cadet Felix Fan's appetite that he captured the moment. Mr. Sargent had driven him to his SSAT exam in Poughkeepsie and when Felix emerged from the long exam, this meal is what he asked for. I am sure he was extremely appreciative of the kind gesture. (Pictured Right)

Happy Birthday to all of our March birthdays! We even included the ones that we would miss while on our Spring Break. Here is James Thierer who was checking for his name and scouting out his piece of cake. Happy Birthday, James! (Pictured Left)

Enjoy the break and stay safe. We'll see you when you get back.



From the Athletic Department

As we gear up for Spring Furlough, we want to take a minute and recognize a few of our cadets who recently earned some amazing accolades and honors. Three members of the Boys Varsity Basketball Team earned All NEPSAC Honors. Zamere McKenzie, Jaylen Davis and Xavier Gibbs. Gibbs was also named Player of the Year.

Congrats to Cadet Isabel Sanchez who was awarded a full athletic scholarship to Division II St. Rose College in Albany. (Pictured Below)



2019 BOYS BASKETBALL ALL-NEPSAC Class D

Player of the Year:
Xavier Gibbs, New York Military Academy

Coach of the Year:
Tim Fitzpatrick, Chase Collegiate

All-NEPSAC	
Zamere McKenzie	New York Military Academy
Jaylen Davis	New York Military Academy
Steven Lora	Rocky Hill School
Jayjuan Hayes	Rocky Hill School
Michael Santos	Poughkeepsie Day School
David Szatkowski	Boston Trinity
Imar Imona	Roseton Trinity



When we return from Spring Furlough, we will be full swing into Spring Sports...hopefully without all the April showers. This spring we will offer the following sports on campus: Baseball, Boys Tennis, Girls Tennis, Golf and Ultimate Frisbee. We will also have a Spring Intramural Program that will feature swimming, usage of the fitness center and a variety of different games and competitions like whiffle ball, frisbee golf, badminton, pickleball, flag football, kickball, dodgeball and basketball.

Finally, we have some exciting news. We have been in talks with some alumni about the possibility of getting some new wrestling mats. New mats would allow us to host some matches next winter. We also have interviewed a few candidates to be our next Football Head Coach. We have a few more interviews left but we hope to hire a new coach soon and welcome them and their staff to the NYMA Family!

Have a great break and hopefully enjoy some nice weather!

Go Knights!!!

From the Commandant

What a week at NYMA. Our cadets were inspected by ROTC Cadets from Fordham University. The cadets were awesome! We passed with an almost perfect score. The cadets were graded on appearance, basic cadet knowledge, and our Color Guard. The Color Guard had an amazing run through their routine. The entire Corps watched on as they marched and executed commands through the gym. (Pictured Below Left and Center)

Also pictured (Below Right) is myself with 4 other cadets wearing cadet casual. Cadet casual is an authorized uniform for Fridays and worn throughout open weekend. It is great seeing kids support the school even on their free time!



Counselor's Corner

Greetings NYMA Families! I hope you and all of our cadets have a safe and relaxing Spring Break! It is a great time to spend together and a great opportunity to spend some quality time talking about their goals and what they want to do in the future. For our juniors, this is a great opportunity to have conversations about colleges and perhaps even visit a campus or two during this time to get a feel for what life is like there. Regardless of age, our cadets should always be thinking forward and imagining the kind of impact that they are going to have on the world when they leave NYMA.

We are looking forward to several fun things on the menu for the week after the students return from break. On Monday, April 8th, we will have about 15 different college representatives coming to visit our campus for a mini-college fair that will be conducted in the morning. These admissions officers will provide information not only on the college but information specifically geared toward our international students. It is an exciting opportunity for students of all grades to learn about schools from around the country and to ask questions of actual admissions officers.

Wednesday, April 10th, our 7th-9th graders will be visiting Stuart Air Force Base to take part in the annual "Y2Kids: Careers from A to Z" Event hosted by the Orange Ulster BOCES. These students will take part in this day of hands-on, interactive career exploration activities and will be able to ask questions about the different careers, explore a carrier plane, and might even get the chance to win a prize!