

TO: NMMI PARENTS

FROM: MG JERRY W. GRIZZLE

DATE: 24 SEPTEMBER 2021

Re: PARENTS WEEKEND

Parents – as committed in my last update, detailed instructions for Parents Weekend, October 1-4, are included in this memorandum. Please allow me to cover the event by day.

Friday, October 1, 2021 – Faculty/Parent Consultation Day from 0800-1600 hours.

Your primary contact on this day will be each of your Cadet's Faculty members that you desire to talk with in person, by phone, or Zoom. It will be your responsibility to contact them and arrange for an appointment with them. NMMI will set up tents on Stapp Field (the parade field) immediately west of the bleachers. Inside the tents will be tables and chairs for Faculty and Parents. Faculty members will be equipped with their laptops if they need to access your Cadet's records.

We ask that you enter this area from 19th street, the north boundary of the campus, and park along the road on the north side of the parade field (Achievement Avenue). You can enter Honor Avenue from Kentucky Avenue on the west side of the campus, but there is very little parking, and construction fencing blocks most of that street. Visitors, Parents are in the category of visitors and will not be allowed south of Honor Avenue during the weekend.

Saturday, October 2, 2021 – Pass in Review in Parents Honor – 0800 to 1200 hours

Beginning at 0800 on Stapp Field, Cadet Drill Competition will take place. Parents need to be in the bleachers before 0800. Just as on Friday, the two primary parking places will be north of Stapp Field on Achievement Avenue, West on Honor Avenue, along Main Street, and across Kentucky west. At 1015 the Goss Rifles Drill Team will perform on Stapp Field. At 1100 the formal Pass in Review Ceremony will begin.

Mini-furloughs will begin at 1200 hours for all Cadets. For those Cadets remaining in the barracks on Saturday night, an accountability formation will be held at 2215 with Taps at 2230.

Sunday, October 3, 2021

0800 – 0815 Accountability Formation for those Cadets remaining in the barracks

0900 – 1200 Brunch

1200 – 1700 Permits for All Cadets

1700 All Mini-Furloughs End

1730 SRC Formation

1900 – 2130 Night Study Hall

2230 Taps

Monday, October 4, 2021 – Fair Day

Parents – from 0600 until 0930, the Corps will be in preparation for the Fair Parade. The best thing you can do is to position yourself along Main Street, going south from NMMI. The parade will go as far south as the Ashley Home Furnishings Building. At that point, the Cadets will take a rest and water break and then start the return up Pennsylvania Avenue to NMMI.

The Corps will move onto Main Street at approximately 0930. They will leave the Post from Honor Avenue by the pedestrian bridge and form the Corps facing south. The Parade Marshall will start the parade at approximately 1000 hours. The march down and back will take approximately two hours.

When the Corps returns, at approximately 1230 hours, the Cadets will be eligible for permits. They may be released to spend the remainder of the day with their families or attend the Fair. Cadets are to return to Post no later than 2100 hours.

The key to a successful weekend is for you, the Parent, to coordinate with your Cadet's Faculty members and appointments to go over any concerns you have. The next important factor is to abide by our protocol that no visitor, parents included, enter NMMI proper. That means do not go south of Honor Avenue at any time during the weekend. Do not enter the Campus from College.

We look forward to seeing you and thank you now for your compliance with our protocols that will allow us to host this weekend.

Respectfully,

Jerry W. Grizzle, PhD

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President and Superintendent