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Dear Parents,

The first semester has concluded for the 2015/16 school year. Included in this mailing is the report card with the second nine week grades and the semester grades. First semester grades are determined based on 40% on the 1st nine week grade combined with 40% on the 2nd nine week grade and then 20% on the semester exam. NOMMA does not award half credit for courses. Full course credit is awarded at the end of the school year once courses have been completed. The course credit is determined by an average of the first and second semester grades.

Please review the report card for any notations regarding attendance. I have reviewed each report card and have included comment stickers for students in jeopardy of losing credit due to attendance concerns. Handbook page 6 explains: *High school attendance of 160 days per year is required to receive Carnegie units on a yearlong block schedule. Cadets must attend 80 days in A block classes and 80 days in B block classes.*

Page 12 of the handbook further explains the state required SEAT TIME requirement for awarding course credit. Seat time does not differentiate between excused or unexcused absences. All absences are counted the same. Cadets who habitually arrive late to school are also in jeopardy of losing course credit regardless of grades earned in the course.

For a review of these and all policies the cadet/parent handbook is available on our website www.nomma.net. The Cadet Guidebook is found on the JROTC HomeworkNow page and on the NOMMA website.

Upcoming Events:

There will be a limited number of seats available for the upcoming school year. If you have friends or relatives interested in applying to NOMMA, please encourage them to do so by February 26. All Orleans Parish placements are done through OneApp. The placement window closes February 26.

Personnel from **The Louisiana Office of Student Financial Assistance (LOSFA)** will come to NOMMA Monday Feb. 15 at 6:00 PM in the school cafeteria. The purpose of the meeting is to

provide parents with information regarding financial aid. We will also have staff at the meeting help parents with completing FAFSA forms.

NOMMA Cadets will march in the following Mardi Gras Events:

- January 29th - Krewe of Excalibur 7pm (Metairie route)
- January 30th - Krewe of Choctaw 1pm (Uptown route)
- January 31st - Krewe of King Arthur 1pm (Uptown route)

Juniors – **Last minute orders for rings must be placed by February 1, 2016** if you wish to participate in the ring ceremony. Also, plan to make the **final payment on your ring by April 1, 2016** in order to be part of the ring ceremony later in April. The representative from Jostens will come to NOMMA mid-January. The Junior Ring Ceremony will occur in the auditorium on April 29, 2015.

The **Prom** will be held on April 9, 2016 at English Turn Country Club. Tickets will go on sale Monday, February 22 through Friday, March 11. The tickets are \$50.00 per person.

Calendar of Events:

- 1/5 – Cadets return to school
- 1/18 – MLK Holiday – School Holiday
- 1/26 – NPO meeting – 6:30 PM – NOMMA Library
- 1/29 – Early Release at noon for Professional Development; Krewe of Excalibur 7pm (Metairie route)
- 1/30 - Krewe of Choctaw 1pm (Uptown route)
- 1/31 - Krewe of King Arthur 1pm (Uptown route)
- 2/1 – Last Day to order class rings
- 2/6 – Progress Reports issued
- 2/8 -2/12- Mardi Gras Break
- 2/15 – LOSFA Night for parents
- 4/1 – Last payment for class rings
- 4/9 – Junior Senior Prom

Happy Holidays, if you are traveling, please be safe and we look forward to seeing you in the New Year.

Dr. Garcia