

# VIRGINIA MILITARY INSTITUTE

## 2017 FINAL EVENTS SCHEDULE

- 7:30 a.m. – 11 p.m. .... PX, Lejeune Hall/Third Barracks (16 May, 6:30 a.m. - 5 p.m.)
- 8 a.m. – 5 p.m. .... Keydet Bookstore open, Lejeune Hall/Third Barracks
- 9 a.m. – 5 p.m. .... VMI Museum open, Jackson Memorial Hall
- 9 a.m. – 5 p.m. .... Stonewall Jackson House (13 May 9 a.m. - 5 p.m.; 14 May 1 p.m. - 5 p.m.)

### SATURDAY, 6 MAY

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8:30 a.m. - 5 p.m. .... Final Exams begin

### THURSDAY, 11 MAY

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5 p.m. .... Final Exams end

10 p.m. .... Key Pax and Commissioning Cadets Return (2200)

### FRIDAY, 12 MAY

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8 a.m. – 3:30 p.m. .... Graduating Cadets uniform turn-in

8:30 a.m. – 10 a.m. .... Joint ROTC Commissioning Ceremony  
Rehearsal, Cameron Hall

1:30 p.m. .... New Market Parade Practice (Key Pax)

3:30 p.m. – 5 p.m. .... CoC/Grad Parade Practice (Key Pax)

10 p.m. .... Corps Returns

### SATURDAY, 13 MAY

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8 a.m. – 2 p.m. .... Graduating Cadets uniform turn-in

8:30 a.m. – 10 a.m. .... Graduation rehearsal (Graduating Cadets only),  
Cameron Hall

10:30 a.m. – 12 a.m. .... Institute Awards Ceremony Rehearsal,  
Cameron Hall

1:00 p.m. – 2:30 p.m. .... New Market Practice Parade (Whole Corps)

2:30 p.m. – 4:00 p.m. .... Change of Command/Graduation Parade  
Rehearsal (Whole Corps)

### SUNDAY, 14 MAY

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8 a.m. – 2:30 p.m. .... Graduating Cadets uniform turn-in

11 a.m. .... Institute Awards Ceremony, Cameron Hall

2:30 p.m. – 4:30 p.m. .... Cadet Change of Command and Graduation  
Parade, Parade Ground

5 p.m. – 6:30 p.m. .... First Class Alumni Reception, Moody Hall

8 p.m. – 9 p.m. .... Baccalaureate, Jackson Memorial Hall

### MONDAY, 15 MAY

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8 a.m. – 6 p.m. .... Graduating Cadets uniform turn-in

9 a.m. – Noon .... Joint ROTC Commissioning, Cameron Hall  
Individual Pin-On Ceremonies immediately  
following

2 p.m. – 3:30 p.m. .... New Market Ceremony and Parade

4:00 p.m. .... Superintendent's Reception for Class of 2017  
graduates, parents and guests, Moody Hall

7:30 p.m. .... Glee Club/Pipe Band Concert,  
Jackson Memorial Hall

### TUESDAY, 16 MAY

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8 a.m. – 4 p.m. .... Final uniform turn-in for graduating cadets.

8:30 a.m. – 10 a.m. .... Commandant's Award Ceremony (First, Third &  
Fourth Classes), Jackson Memorial Hall

10:25 a.m. .... All graduating First Classmen form for  
inspection and graduation assembly

11 a.m. .... Commencement, Cameron Hall

1 p.m. – 4 p.m. .... Barracks Final Room Clearance  
(Cadets Released)

*Please see other side for additional details.*

## A DESCRIPTION OF FINAL EVENTS

**Institute Awards** is an internal ceremony at which faculty, staff and cadets receive awards for distinguished teaching, service, military, coaching, and scholarship. It is held in Cameron Hall, and is open to the public.

**Change of Command/Graduation Parade** is a parade at which next year's cadet leadership will assume their new responsibilities and the graduating class is honored. This is an outdoor event held on the Parade Ground, and is open to the public.

The **Baccalaureate Ceremony** honors the graduating class. COL Robert Phillips, Sr., Chaplain to the Corps of Cadets, presides over this ceremony in Jackson Memorial Hall. It is open to parents, other family members and friends.

The **Joint Commissioning Ceremony** is for graduating cadets who receive their military commissions. This ceremony is held in Cameron Hall. It is open to cadet families and friends. Following the joint ceremony, individual pin on ceremonies will be held at other locations across Post.

**New Market Parade and Ceremony** honors the VMI cadets who fought at the 15 May 1864 Battle of New Market. Six of the ten cadets killed as a result of the battle are buried at VMI. Limited reserved seating is available for invited guests only. Crowd control is necessary during this event and visitors should arrive early to view the parade. Handicapped seating is limited. General seating on the Parade Ground and Letcher Ave is restricted to certain areas due to the nature of the ceremony. There is no parking allowed on Letcher Avenue on this day. Once the ceremony starts, spectators should remain in place until the end of the parade and the cadets have returned to Barracks. The area in front of the statue of Virginia Mourning Her Dead, as well as along the Parade Ground, is restricted from all spectator movement from 1:45 p.m. until conclusion of the parade. No one will be allowed to walk in this area or cross the street during the ceremony and parade.

The **Superintendent's Reception** is hosted by the Superintendent, GEN and Mrs. J.H. Binford Peay III, in Moody Hall in honor of the First Class Cadets. First Class parents, families and friends are invited to attend with their cadet.

The **VMI Glee Club** and "The Commanders" **Jazz Ensemble** will perform in the new Jackson Memorial Hall. This is open to the public and free admission.

All attending **Commencement** are reminded that tickets are required. Shuttle Service will be available between Moody Hall and Cameron Hall for those attending Commencement.

## REMINDERS FOR ALL EVENTS

\*Handicapped parking is limited in most areas on Post. It is recommended that handicapped persons be dropped off close to the location of an event, and vehicles should be parked on the Parade Ground. Please coordinate wheelchair & handicapped seating requirements for events with the Chief of Staff's Office at 540-464-7104.

\*Parking will be allowed on the Parade Ground, weather permitting, for all activities.