Darius
Class of 2020

From: West Farms, New York

First Year at Horace Mann: 9th Grade

Favorite Classes: Legal History and Physics

Why HM? While Horace Mann is one of the best academic institutions in the country, as students, we are also provided with one of the best support systems that a school can offer. Not many schools can offer both. This made Horace Mann stand out to me when I arrived.

Activities: Varsity Basketball Team, Habitat for Humanity, The Record, The Union, HMO Peer Leader, STEPS (Students Together Empowering People of Color Successfully) Mentorship

Out-of-school activities: Church Choir

Favorite cafeteria food: The BEST Burritos you will ever taste!

Favorite spot on campus: My favorite spot on campus is Katz Library during break from 10:00 – 10:15. Everybody gathers around the desks and gets snack from the front desk. It is always a great time to hang out with friends before you have to rush to class.

Favorite school trip: Upper Division Orientation at the John Dorr Nature Laboratory, a great way to help new freshmen get acclimated to the school community before the school year starts. Undoubtedly the best way to spend your last three days of summer.

Favorite HM event: Homecoming!!! It’s a great way to celebrate sports teams on a Saturday with all of your friends. Cheering on the football and soccer teams with friends and family is the best part of the day.

Best thing to do on a snow day: Snowball fights and Hot Chocolate, no debate.