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**LETTER FROM THE PRINCIPAL**

Greetings Parents,

It's hard to believe the end of August has arrived. I hope you and your family are enjoying these last days of summer. Our first full week of school was busy and productive.

Last Friday, our chaplain Fr. Brian Wigger, lead our community in a celebration of our Opening Mass. He blessed our new president Sr. Lynette and shared his memory of her as his principal when he was a student at St. Agnes. During his homily, Fr. Wigger reminded the students of the call to discover and use their God-given talents well. This is indeed their task as students at NDA.

As discussed at the parent nights we have assigned NDA e-mails to all our students this year. Students are required to activate these accounts. Please remind your daughter to do this if she has not already done so. They should see Mrs. Mullee in the Instructional Technology Office to complete this process which only takes a few minutes.

Last week we conducted uniform checks during homeroom. Students who were not in uniform were given warnings. When your daughter leaves for school in the morning please make sure she is wearing the appropriate attire. Uniforms are an important part of our school as they promote respect for self and others and help to maintain a constructive learning environment. Information regarding the Dress Code Policy can be found on page 22 in the Student Handbook.

Picture day is this Friday. Seniors will only be taking pictures for their student ID and may wear a different top with their uniform skirt. All other students may be out of uniform but should not be wearing low cut tops. Skirts should be no shorter than 3 inches above the knee. Please make sure your daughter is dressed appropriately.

Regarding cafeteria information, freeand reduced lunch applications are due ASAP. If you think you may qualify, please submit an application to the school office. This information is confidential. Students on freeand reduced lunch go through the lunch line in exactly the same way as all other students. They scan their student ID card or enter their ID number in exactly the same way as all others. In addition those who qualify for this program may also be eligible for additional KEES money and assistance with payment for AP

exams.

I hope you have a wonderful week and enjoy the coming Labor Day weekend.

May you know God's goodness each day,  
Dr. Laura Koehl

## **STUDENT/PARENT HANDBOOK NOTES**

### **EARLY RELEASE**

Parents, just a reminder that if your daughter will be leaving school for whatever reason, driver's test, doctor appointments, etc. please have your daughter bring in a note to the office before school starts on that specific day. We need to know when students are leaving the school so that accurate attendance can be maintained. Also, if prior notice of an appointment is not possible, please do not text or call your student during the day to inform them of an appointment. Please call the main office and we will contact your daughter. Thank you for your consideration in helping our students abide by our policies.

## **PANDA FAMILY DIRECTORY UPDATE**

If you have noticed information printed incorrectly in the Panda Family Directory that was distributed on parent night, please contact Anna Weber at [webera@ndapandas.org](mailto:webera@ndapandas.org) with your name, your daughter's name and class year. Include information concerning your listing in order that it may be corrected and included in the Panda Family Directory Update which will be distributed at parent mini-night. If your family did not receive a directory, your daughter may pick one up at the front office. Information must be received by September 6 to be included in the directory update.

## **CAFETERIA VOLUNTEERS NEEDED**

Two volunteers are needed daily to work in the dish room during lunch. See your daughter and her friends! We can work with your schedule! You can work weekly, bi-weekly, once a month or once a quarter. To see the available schedule calendar and to [sign up online go to this link](#) and follow the prompts or email Kelly at [kmicek@insightbb.com](mailto:kmicek@insightbb.com) or call her at 859-992-3144. We appreciate any help you might give us.

## **CALENDARS...UPCOMING EVENTS**

[Check our calendars on our webpage for the latest on all the upcoming events. The calendars are separated into many different areas.](#)

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