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*An e-Newsletter for the Families of Notre Dame Academy
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LETTER FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Greetings Parents,

It was great to see so many of you at Mini Night last week. I hope it was an enjoyable and productive evening for those who attended. Thank you for your many positive comments about the evening. We were also pleased to welcome over 550 grandparents for Mass last Friday. It was a wonderful Liturgical Celebration and I hope all of your parents enjoyed being with our faculty, staff and students for this special day.

This Friday we will hold our **Club Orientation** program. Leaders from each student organization will present information about their club to the student body. I hope your daughter will consider joining at least one club, there are many opportunities to participate in academic, social and service oriented activities and it is a great way to meet other students and develop social and leadership skills.

Our **Gala** is quickly approaching and I hope to see many of you there. This fun and enjoyable evening includes dinner and live and silent auctions. The Gala is sponsored by our Advancement Office with the help of many parent volunteers. Students are busy selling raffle tickets as this event funds important educational programs at NDA and helps to keep our tuition costs down. For more information please call 859-292-7729 or email Mrs. Betty Hummel at hummelb@ndapandas.org.

Finally, the "**Wash for Life**" car wash will be held on Sunday, September 25, from 11am-4pm. This activity is sponsored by students working with the Diocesan Family Life Office.

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

GUIDANCE DEPARTMENT

There are two College Fairs coming to our area:

Northern Kentucky Regional College Fair
September 27, 2011, 6:00-8:00pm

Thomas More College - Convocation Center
For more information: 859-344-3333

National College Fair - Cincinnati Region
October 2, 2011, 1:00-4:00pm
Duke Energy Center, Exhibit Hall A
Register at: www.nacacnet.org/ncfstudent
For more information: www.nationalcollegefairs.org

There will be a second **Governor's Scholars Program** meeting on Wednesday, September 21, after school in Room 104. If a student is still interested in applying to this program, please see Mrs. Monohan or go to the GSP website: www.gsp.ky.gov

There will be an informational meeting for any student interested in the **Governor's School for the Art's Program** on Wednesday, September 28, in Room 104 after school.

Any student interested in a health related career should consider the **Health Career Explorers Program** through Area Health Education Center. Visit the website www.nkyahec.org for registration information. This application is due this Friday, September 23, so there is no time to wait. The group will have hands on opportunities to explore various health fields like OT, PT, MD, X-ray tech., etc. The cost is minimal and the experience lasts from October through May (one day each week).

NDA/CCH JUNIOR HIGH BAND

All musicians grades 6-11 are welcome to join. This group is open to Jr. High grade students who are currently playing a band or orchestra instrument. Perhaps you have been taking private lessons and would like to perform with a larger group. There is NO FEE to be involved in the Jr. High Band.

We will typically have rehearsals on Mondays from 3:20-4:20pm, beginning September 26. Rehearsals will be held at CCH or NDA (TBD). Our BIG Christmas Concert will be held along side the High School Band in the Griffin Centre at CCH. Please email Mr. Greg Cerimele (NDA/CCH Band Director) to be added to the roster at cerimeleg@ndapandas.org.

PTO

There will be a PTO meeting open to all parents on the second Tuesday of each month. Please try to attend and share your ideas and energy. Meetings will take place in the Faculty Lounge. [Go here for updates and more information](#). Mark your calendars for these dates: October 11, November 8, December 13, January 10, February 14, March 13 (April and May will be decided on next spring due to spring break and a busy month of May).

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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