



An e-Newsletter for the Families of Notre Dame Academy

LETTER FROM THE PRINCIPAL ◀

Blessings friends,

Our goal at NDA is to do our very best to provide a safe and healthy learning environment for our students. An important element of our safety plan in how we communicate with our parents. At NDA, we use SwiftK12 to communicate emergencies to the school community or to push out messages quickly. The system syncs up with PowerSchool and uses the phone numbers and emails we have in the system. This is information you submitted using FinalForms earlier this school year.

PLEASE NOTE: A SwiftK12 practice alert will be conducted this **Thursday at 3:15 p.m.** If you do not receive the message or if there is an error in receipt, please contact the school office at 859.261.4300.

I ask that you take a moment to pray for our second group of seniors and their chaperones who are on retreat this week. We pray that through this opportunity they develop a deeper relationship with Christ and continue to grow in our Catholic faith.

If you know a young woman who could benefit from an NDA education, please invite her to learn all about Notre Dame Academy and the All-Girl Advantage on Sunday, November 3 at our Open House from 1-3 p.m. As parents, you know first-hand the value of an NDA education!

We are very blessed to have such qualified and dedicated faculty members at Notre Dame Academy. It is important for us to remember that at our core, we are built on the interaction between our students and faculty. Our faculty engages and challenges the mind and creativity of each of our students as they are growing into adulthood and emerging as women making a difference. It is awe-inspiring to witness!

Have a great week!

In Notre Dame,

Mr. Jack VonHandorf

Autumn Prayer

God of all seasons, we thank you for Autumn.

We thank you

for the touch of coolness in the air that gives us a new burst of energy,
for the coloring of trees that shows the creativity of the Divine Artist,
for the falling leaves that reveal the strength of the branches,
for the hues of fields that bring peace to our souls,
for the smiles on pumpkins that bring joy to children,
for the fall harvest which that brings us gratitude for the bounty of our land,
for this change of seasons that reveals the circle of life.

God of all seasons, as you transform the earth, transform us by your Spirit.

Amen



- Doug Leonhardt, S.J.

STUDENT LIFE



CHECK IN AT EVENTS. EARN POINTS.
GET REWARDED



EMERGENCY NOTIFICATION ALERT ◀

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HANDBOOK HIGHLIGHT ◀

College/Career Days for Juniors and Seniors are considered excused and can be taken until the end of April. Students are given 6 days total between the two years and verification forms can be picked up in the front office.

HALLOWEEN FESTIVITIES ◀

Happy Halloween from Notre Dame! Beginning this Friday, some of NDA's homeroom classes will be "booed" by another and experience the ghostly delivery of candy surprises. Next Thursday, students and faculty are encouraged to wear Halloween costumes. Students are reminded that costumes must be appropriate and provide proper coverage; in addition, no gore, face/body paint, masks or weapons are permitted. Thanks to our Junior Student Council Officers for coordinating the Haunted House during the lunches next Thursday.

SuperFanApp ◀

This past Monday, Pandas learned about NDA's new SuperFanU app. You can read more about it [HERE](#).

ROCKING THROUGH THE AGES ◀

This year our Pandas and their moms are Rocking Through the Ages! The annual Mother Daughter Dance will be held on **November 9 from 6:30-10:30 p.m.** at Receptions in Erlanger. Come dressed as your favorite Rock Band or Rock and Roll star! Seniors, get started on your Mother/Daughter posters now - they are due in the school office by November 7. You can register online for this year's Mother Daughter Dance [HERE](#). The Registration Deadline is November 1.

WELCOME MEGHAN DOOLING ◀

We are excited to announce that Meghan Dooling has been hired at NDA as our new Technology Support Specialist. Meghan moved to the area from Georgia after graduating from Berry College with a major in Creative Technologies and a minor in Economics. She has worked in a helpdesk support role with her college, Dynamic Catholic, and most recently, Fidelity Investments, and we think she is going to be a great addition to the team.



NDA MISSION TRIP TO SANTO DOMINGO ◀

Service is the language of the heart and the knowledge gained is engraved there

An educational and a personal growth opportunity:

Serving others in Santo Domingo

Two summers ago, NDA offered a mission trip to work with orphans and help with renovation of the orphanage in Santo Domingo. The students were moved by the simplicity of the children, improved their Spanish skills, and learned about another part of the world. Eight to fourteen students can go next summer. You can find a brochure online [HERE](#). Any questions or additional information as well as acquisition of an application can be obtained by emailing Sr. Maria Francine at stacymf@ndapandas.org. This is truly an invaluable experience for high school students who plan to study a semester abroad in college. The student will earn service hours and the linguistic and cultural advantages are numerous. Deadline is November 8.



CAMPUS MINISTRY NEWS ◀

At NDA, we celebrate our Catholic Identity everyday by living the Gospel message of Jesus through kindness and generosity to others, respect for life, community service and striving to use our God given gifts. Take a look at our Campus Ministry Department calendar for the next week [HERE](#).



MESSAGE FROM THE CAFETERIA MANAGER ◀

Parents, please check lunch your daughter's account balance and take care of any low or negative balances as soon as possible. Contact Karen Brungs at brungsk@ndapandas.org with any questions.



PANDA PARENT CLUB MEETING ◀

Mark your calendar for the next Panda Parent Club meeting on November 11 at 7:00 p.m. The topic is **Vaping** and our speaker will be Joyce Jacobs, a Heart and Vascular Prevention and Wellness Nurse Navigator at St. Elizabeth Healthcare.

**ATHLETIC
DEPARTMENT
NEWS**

SHOW YOUR PANDA SPIRIT WITH AN NDA LETTER SWEATER ◀

Looking for the perfect Christmas gift for your Panda? NDA's Panda Letter Sweater is the perfect choice! Letter Sweater ordering will take place at lunches on October 29 at NDA. You can download the NDA Letter Sweater order form [HERE](#).

COUNSELING AND STUDENT SERVICES ◀



DRUG FREE CLUB ◀

There are 436 Pandas currently in NDA's Chapter of Drug Free Club, which is wonderful! However, that also means 137 students are not in Drug Free Club. **We want everyone to have the rewards and the protection that Drug Free Club provides. Applications will only be accepted through October 31.** Sign your daughter(s) up now [online](#) or with the paper application from the school office. Contact Mrs. Hildreth with questions.



HALLOWEEN BASH ◀

Covington Catholic High School is hosting their annual Halloween Bash, open to all NDA and CCH Freshmen! This year it will actually be on Halloween, October 31, from 8-11 p.m. at CCH. Lots of fun, and prizes for best costumes! Cost is \$5.00 ticket at lunch and after school.



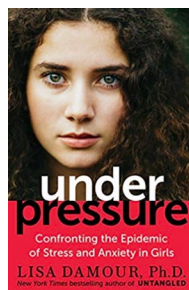
GOVERNOR'S SCHOOL FOR THE ARTS ◀

Informational Meeting for interested Sophomores and Juniors after school on Thursday October 24, in Alumnae Hall. Previous attendees will also be there to answer questions and share their experience. Applications are open now! See the Governor's School for the Arts website for more information.



HAVE YOU CHECKED OUT OUR NDA PARENT TOOLBOX? ◀

There is some recommended reading for parents in our [Parent Tool Box](#):



Under Pressure by Lisa Damour (2019)

Confronting the epidemic of stress and anxiety in girls. Topics covered include: three types of stress, girls at home, girls among girls, girls among boys, girls at school, girls in the culture.



PLANNING AHEAD ◀

2019-20 Panda Parent Club - Speaker Series

E-cigarettes change blood vessels after just one use, study says

November 11 Vaping: Joyce Jacobs (St. Elizabeth - Wellness Nurse Navigator)



College Rep Visits

2019-20 College Rep Visits ◀

Throughout the school year many college representatives visit NDA to speak with students during lunch periods. You can find a list of upcoming visits [HERE](#).



ALUMNAE NEWS ◀

Alumnae Mass

All are welcome to join us at our monthly Alumnae and Friends Masses in our new *Mary, Mother of the World* Chapel at 11:30 a.m. on the last Wednesday of the month. Masses are scheduled for the following dates: October 30, November 20 (one week earlier due to Thanksgiving).

COMMUNITY NEWS



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You can find a complete list of community news [HERE](#).

- Work Study Positions Available
- Yoga For a Cause



NOTRE DAME ACADEMY

Educating Women to Make a Difference in the World



Do you know a young woman who is ready to make a difference in the world?

OPEN HOUSE
NOV. 3, 2019
1-3 p.m.

Learn about NDA's All-Girl Advantage at www.ndapandas.org

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The [Federal Home Loan Bank](#) of Cincinnati is a regional wholesale bank providing financial services for residential housing and economic development to 652 member stockholders in the FHLB System's Fifth District of Kentucky, Ohio and Tennessee. Eligible stockholders include banks, thrifts, credit unions, insurance companies and community development financial institutions. We are one of 11 Federal Home Loan Banks nationwide, a system created by Congress in 1932 to support housing finance. Our mission is to provide our Member-stockholders with financial services and a competitive return on their capital investment to help them facilitate and expand housing finance and community investment, and achieve their objectives for liquidity and asset liability management.

► Important dates

October	21-24	Senior Retreat #2
	25	Picture Retake Day
	30	Alumnae Mass
November		
	1	No School: All Saints Day
	3	Open House
	6	Informational Coffee for Prospective Parents
	8	Alumnae Remembrance Mass
	9	Mother/Daughter Dance
	12	NHS Induction
	13	Freshman Retreat
	15	Midquarter
	14-15	Blue Ribbon Award Ceremony, D.C.
	22	Panda Funfest for Prospective 8th Graders
	26	Thanksgiving Prayer Service
	27	Class of 2019 Welcome Back Night
	27-29	No School: Thanksgiving Break
December	4	Sophomore Retreat
	6	Freshmen Semi Formal Dance
	8	No School: Immaculate Conception
	10	Christmas Choral Concert
	13	In School Band and Choral Concert
	14	ACT and HSPT at NDA
		Silver Bells Dance
	15	Band Concert
	17	Advent Prayer Service
	18-20	Exams