



An e-Newsletter for the Families of Notre Dame Academy

## LETTER FROM THE PRINCIPAL ◀

Blessings friends,

God has blessed us with a beautiful day of sunshine. I know it's cold but I hope you have all had an opportunity to get outside and enjoy it a bit!

Our last College Planning meeting (the Junior College Planning meeting for junior parents and students) will take place this evening at 6:30 in the theatre. After this meeting we move on to registration of classes for the 2020-21 school year. Next week students can go online to view recommended courses and register their electives for next year. All students will receive an email explaining how to register and links for the process. You will also receive an email when the course request window for entering your daughter's requests for the 2020-21 year within PowerSchool is open. Ms. Burgei and Mrs. Monohan will be in the cafeteria next week to help students with any questions they may have about schedules. You can find a link below in the Student Life section to find out more information about course registration on PowerSchool.

Below you will also find important financial information regarding financial assistance and NDA's Work Study job application deadline. Notre Dame Academy is committed to working with any family whose daughter could benefit from a Notre Dame Academy education. The total amount of financial assistance and tuition allowances given by Notre Dame Academy for the 2018-19 school year was \$914,862.00. We are blessed to have a very successful Work Study Program at NDA. It takes a tremendous amount of work to manage this program and we are all very grateful to Sr. Paul Ann and Sr. Mary Rachel for overseeing it for so many years. If you are in need of financial assistance OR you are looking to do work study, the application with FACTS must be completed first. Financial assistance requests increase each year we cannot stress enough the importance of getting your application in early.

Today's sunshine has all of us looking forward to spring. It is important that we motivate and challenge our students to be responsible learners who continue to be diligent in their studies. Please encourage your daughter to keep doing her best work so that together we can help our students finish strong this school year.

Thank you for choosing Notre Dame Academy to partner with you in your daughter's Catholic education. Your daughter is a blessing to our community!

*Cultivating hope and happiness,  
Strengthened by God's love.*

In Notre Dame,

Mr. Jack VonHandorf



*I can do all things through Christ who strengthens me.*  
Philippians 4:13

# STUDENT LIFE

## COURSE REGISTRATION INFORMATION ◀

Next week, February 24 to the 28, the course request window for electives will be open. Students and parents should work together when entering the course requests. Required courses as recommended by the faculty after their discussions with the students already will be found on the screens in PowerSchool. The directions for how the course request process works can be found on the NDA website on the Academics > PowerSchool page under the PowerSchool Course Registration Information heading.” The direct link to the 2020–2021 Student Course Request Instructions is [HERE](#).

## BOOK DRIVE



## BOOK DRIVE FOR THE LITERACY NETWORK ◀

Three of our seniors are holding a book drive here at school for their senior service project. The drive will be held next week: February 24-28. We are asking for donations of books of ANY READING LEVEL (Children- adults). The books should be new or gently used, but annotated books are still permitted (meaning you can turn in books that you’ve used for school in the past.) We would really appreciate any donations, because they will be helping lower income families, schools, and libraries in Cincinnati. The books will be used to help increase the reading level and ability for people living so close to us. There will be a bin set up in the foyer next week, so you can drop books off as you come into school.



## REMINDER FOR SENIOR PARENTS ◀

Senior Parents: A reminder that the letter for your daughter’s Mission Retreat is due on March 6, 2020. Please send them into the school office with your daughter’s first and last name on it and marked **PARENT LETTER** We appreciate your help with this activity.



## WELCOME TO THE PaNDA FAMILY! ◀

Mrs. Molly Proudfit had an exciting start to our recent 4-day weekend! She gave birth to Claire Grace Proudfit last Thursday night at 10:49 p.m. Claire was 6 lbs. 14 oz. Mom, dad, Claire and big brother Graham are all doing well. Please keep them in your prayers!





## BAMBOOTIQUE DEALS AND STEALS! ◀

This week the Bambootique has some items you might be interested in! Christmas ornaments are being sold for an all-time low clearance price of \$5. Stop by to get your PTS (Pandas Take State) t-shirts to support our Aqua Pandas who are competing at State on this week!



## GIRL UP DAY ◀

Girl Up Club is hosting Girl Up Day on February 29 from 9 a.m.-12 p.m. at Notre Dame Academy. The day is open to girls in grades 4-8, and they will work on building teamwork, confidence, and leadership skills. Registration is now open, and the students will get a free t-shirt if they registers by February 12. All proceeds will go to the United Nations Girl Up Campaign. You can register online [HERE](#).



## PLASTIC BAGS ◀

For our Women Making a Difference Service Day on March 5, we are in need of plastic bags. These plastic bags are going to be processed into plan (plastic yarn) that will then be used to make mats/bags etc. for people experiencing homelessness in our area. We will have a collection bin in the foyer where the bags can be placed. Thanks for your assistance.



## PANDA PARENT CLUB MEETING ON VAPING ◀

Don't miss the next Panda Parent Club meeting on **Monday, March 9 at 7:00 p.m.** The topic is **Vaping** and our speaker will be Joyce Jacobs, a Heart and Vascular Prevention and Wellness Nurse Navigaro from St. Elizabeth Healthcare.

**Junior and senior parents in attendance at the March PPC meetings will be entered into two special prom ticket raffles:**

- 2020 Prom ticket raffle
- 2020 After Prom ticket raffle

*Junior and Senior Parents, WIN A TICKET to Prom or After Prom FOR YOUR PANDA by ATTENDING February or March's PPC meeting!*



## IMPORTANT FINANCIAL INFORMATION ◀

**Work Study Job Application Deadline: April 15, 2020**

**Financial Aid Applications & Academic and Tuition Assistance Scholarships**

The application for work study jobs is available on the website [HERE](#) and is due by **APRIL 15, 2020**.

Financial aid applications are also now open and will remain open until **APRIL 15, 2020**.

If you are in need of financial assistance OR are looking to do work study the application with FACTS must be completed before anything else. Financial assistance requests increase each year we cannot stress enough the importance of getting your application in early. Late applications run the risk of financial aid funding being exhausted. You can access the Financial Assistance page of the website [HERE](#).

We are currently accepting applications for Academic and Tuition Assistance Scholarships. Applications can be found on the website [HERE](#), and are due in the front office no later than April 15, 2020.



## YEARBOOK INFORMATION ◀

You can still pre-order your daughter's yearbook for the 2019-20 school year (2020: Women with Vision) at [jostens.com](https://www.jostens.com/apps/store/productBrowse/1069982/Notre-Dame-Academy/2020-Yearbook/2020011204172891054/CATALOG_SHOP/) (link [https://www.jostens.com/apps/store/productBrowse/1069982/Notre-Dame-Academy/2020-Yearbook/2020011204172891054/CATALOG\\_SHOP/](https://www.jostens.com/apps/store/productBrowse/1069982/Notre-Dame-Academy/2020-Yearbook/2020011204172891054/CATALOG_SHOP/)). February is the last month for the special price of \$60; the price goes up to \$70 on March 1.

The 2018-19 yearbook (New and Forever) is available for purchase for \$70 in the office or Room 112; please make checks payable to Notre Dame Academy.



## WINTER SPORTS PROGRAM ◀

Mark your calendar for the Winter Sports Program which will be held on March 17 at 7 p.m. in the NDA theater.



## GOOD LUCK SWIM & DIVE PANDAS ◀

Our Swim & Dive team finished runner-up at Regionals and they are headed to State! Good luck Aqua Pandas!

## COUNSELING AND STUDENT SERVICES ◀



### WORK READY SCHOLARSHIP ◀

“Work Ready Scholarship” at KCTCS Schools (this includes Gateway)  
Earn your Associate Degree for FREE in these Qualifying Programs:  
Healthcare (including Nursing), Manufacturing, Logistics, Business or IT  
[www.workreadykentucky.com](http://www.workreadykentucky.com)



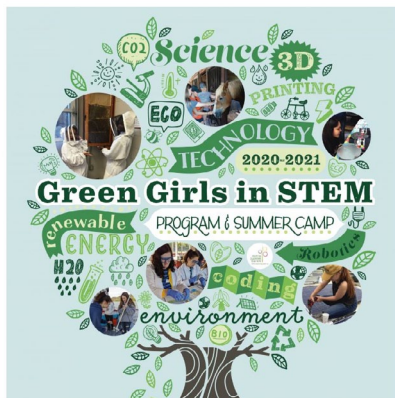
### SPRING COLLEGE FAIR ◀

Cincinnati Area “Spring College Fair”  
Tuesday, March 31  
6:30 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.  
Held at Xavier’s Cintas Center. \*Over 100 colleges will be in attendance!  
Link: [Spring College Fair](#)



### NORTHERN KENTUCKY CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL COLLEGE FAIR ◀

Northern Kentucky Catholic High School College Fair  
Tuesday, March 24  
6:30 p.m. - 8 p.m.  
NKU Student Union Ballroom  
\*Colleges from across the country will be in attendance!  
No RSVP Needed



### GREEN GIRLS IN STEM SUMMER CAMP ◀

Anyone who is interested in the environment and STEM programming should consider this summer camp and year long program. It is available for 9-12 year old girls and is the week of June 1-5th during the day. For more info and to apply at [Bit.ly/GreenSTEM](http://Bit.ly/GreenSTEM) or email [kjohnson@civicgreen.com](mailto:kjohnson@civicgreen.com)



## AREA HEALTH EDUCATION CENTERS GATEWAY TO HEALTH CAREER CAMP ◀

Save the date for your high school freshman, sophomore, junior and seniors!  
**What:** Gateway to Health Careers Summer Camp (day camp 9:15 am – 2:30 pm each day)

**When:** June 8-12

**Where:** Gateway Community & Technical College, Edgewood Campus

Click on the link below if you are interested in exploring health careers in a hands-on way.

<https://forms.gle/RsstQHkw16NUkxDy7>



## ORTHO 101: A GLIMPSE INTO ORTHOPAEDICS / SPORTS MEDICINE ◀

Upcoming Event for High School students interested in learning more about the orthopaedic and sports medicine fields. Join top orthopaedic and sports medicine providers in the Northern Kentucky region for this 3-hour event.

Tue, March 17, 2020

8:30 AM – 12:30 PM EDT

Complete Details: [Ortho 101 Event](#)



## 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](#).



## ATTENTION JUNIOR AND SENIOR PARENTS ◀

Attention Junior and Senior Parents - Prom season is approaching quickly! Sometimes this can be a troubling time as a family tries to cover all the expenses associated with the dance. Cinderella's Closet is an organization that can help. They have thousands of dresses, accessories, and shoes that can be provided at no cost. If this is something that could benefit your junior or senior daughter, please contact personal counselor Erin Maggard at [maggarde@ndapandas.org](mailto:maggarde@ndapandas.org). She can work with your daughter to set up an appointment on March 20 or 21 to pick out her dress. Learn more about the program here: [Cinderella's Closet](#).



## HAVE YOU CHECKED OUT OUR NDA PARENT TOOLBOX? ◀

Check out the NDA [Parent Toolbox](#). Timely topics include lying, emotional storms, stress, and so much more!

## YOU ARE INVITED ◀

Please join us for this year's Women Making a Difference Award Luncheon on Thursday, March 5! You can make your reservations online [HERE](#).



YOU ARE CORDIALLY INVITED TO ATTEND  
NOTRE DAME ACADEMY'S NINETEENTH ANNUAL

# *Women Making A Difference*

AWARD LUNCHEON 2020

**THURSDAY, MARCH 5, 2020**

NORTHERN KENTUCKY CONVENTION CENTER  
COVINGTON, KENTUCKY

**11:00 A.M. REGISTRATION & NETWORKING**

**12:00 P.M. LUNCHEON & AWARDS CEREMONY**

Honoring Notre Dame Academy Alumnae for the contributions they have made to their families, their communities, and beyond.

### 2020 WOMEN MAKING A DIFFERENCE HONOREES



CONNIE KAELIN ROENKER  
1968



PEGGY MURPHY BARKER  
1984



HOLLY GRAZIANI DANNEMAN  
1992

### 2020 SR. REINA AWARD HONOREES



MIKE AND BETH  
SCHUH '77 DEMPSEY

TO MAKE YOUR RESERVATION ONLINE, PLEASE GO TO  
<https://www.ndapandas.org/alumnae/women-making-a-difference.aspx>

OR please mail the enclosed reservation card, along with payment, to:

NOTRE DAME ADVANCEMENT OFFICE, 1699 HILTON DRIVE, PARK HILLS, KY 41011

## SAVE THE DATE! ◀

Save the Date for the 2020 Autumn Gala on Saturday, October 17, 2020. Invitations will be mailed later in the fall, but it's not too late to mark your calendars! If you are interested in helping, or know anyone who would like to get involved, please con-tact Nancy Goeke, Director of Major Gifts and Events, at 859.292.1851 or [goeken@ndapandas.org](mailto:goeken@ndapandas.org).





## ALUMNAE NEWS ◀

### Alumnae Mass

The next Alumnae and Friends Mass is scheduled for Ash Wednesday. Our alumnae are invited to join our school Mass that day (February 26) at 9:00 a.m. in the auditorium.

## COMMUNITY NEWS



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

- Show Your Support for Public Transportation for Private Schools
- Bible Study With Reverend Timothy Schehr
- Young Adult & Teen Job Fair
- Emergency Shelter of NKY - Homeless to Hopeful Event
- Position Available at St. Joseph Heights
- Position Open for Parish Office Secretary
- Kenton County School District Recruiting Bus Drivers
- Part-time School Cafeteria Positions
- 2020 U.S. Census Employment Opportunities



## 5K Run & Walk In Memory of Calvin Scheper

## BE CALVIN KIND ◀

Help make a difference in the world with the Scheper family by joining them for the inaugural BeCalvinKind5K run/walk in memory of their son and brother Calvin Scheper. This special community event will be held on Saturday, March 28 and will benefit children and adults in need. You can find more information about this morning of running and fun as well as online registration [HERE](#).



## HOMELESS TO HOPEFUL - SAVE THE DATE ◀

Our friends at the Emergency Shelter of Northern Kentucky (ESNKY) are hosting *Homeless to Hopeful* on Thursday, March 19, 2020 from 6 - 9 p.m. at the Drees Pavilion. This event helps raise awareness about homelessness in our community and raises funds to benefit the ESNKY. The evening includes silent and live auctions, a catered dinner, and a signature Bourbon Trail auction. You can make a difference in our community by supporting the good work of ESNKY and have a fun evening at the same time! To purchase tickets [CLICK HERE](#) or to become an event sponsor [CLICK HERE](#).





Being a local, family owned & operated full service dental practice, the [Dental Center of Florence](#) team works hard to offer you excellent dental care in a warm, friendly & comfortable atmosphere. Our services include every aspect of family, general and cosmetic dentistry including sedation and implant dentistry, teeth whitening & Invisalign. We are the tri-state leader in same day dentures and have the latest dental techniques and technology available, including our on-site denture lab. We invite you to join the many NDA Panda families we care for. To serve your busy life, we have evening and Saturday appointments available. We'll bring a smile to your face "all in a day!" Go Pandas! Corinne Laws, Class of 2021

## ► Important dates

February	18	Junior College Planning Meeting
	24	Students begin class selection in PowerSchool
	26	Ash Wednesday Mass
	28	Prom Registration Opens
		State Latin Convention
	29	Girl Up Day
March	5	Women Making a Difference Day
		Women Making a Difference Luncheon
	7	8th Grade Conferences
	9	Panda Parent Club Meeting
	10	National Latin Exam
	11	FR to the Play
	13	3rd Quarter Ends
		Raffle Pep Rally (ADJ)
	18	FR to the Play
		Safe Environment Training (ADJ)
	20	Baby Day
	21	8th Grade Conferences
	24	Panda Preview Night for Prospective Students