

# LETTER FROM THE PRINCIPAL <

Dear Parents,

I hope you and your daughters enjoyed the long weekend. As always, our students and faculty have been working very hard but this year is definitely different and markedly more difficult. We are extremely grateful to be following Plan 1 of our Pandas Return to Campus Plan with all students in school with safety precautions in place however, we all have added pressures and stress due to the COVID-19 pandemic - even our students.

As a school sponsored by the Sisters of Notre Dame, we have learned to proclaim God's goodness and provident care. During challenging times such as this, we turn to God for strength through prayer. This morning Pope Francis spoke to his general audience about the Book of Psalms, which he called "a great treasury of prayers." He said, "the Psalms teach us that God is not deaf to our prayers, especially those that arise from a broken heart and a troubled spirit." I agree with Pope Francis that not only the Psalms, but prayer in general opens our hearts to hope in God's providential care and inspires us to persevere. It is our privilege to partner with you in teaching your daughters these valuable life lessons.

As you will see below in the information from our school nurse, the Diocese recently sent us additional information regarding travel. Please be sure to read this important information as many families may be planning now for holiday travel later this year.

Finally, I invite you to join me in support of our annual fundraiser, the Autumn Gala, this weekend. This year we will gather virtually for this important event with NDA faculty, families and friends in celebration and support of our mission of educating young women to make a difference in the world. As you will see in the information below, you can register for the virtual Zoom Gala now as well as register to start bidding. I hope everyone in our community is able to participate in some way.

Thank you for your continued support of NDA and our efforts to keep our community safe and healthy this school year!

In Notre Dame,

Jack Van Honky

Mr. Jack VonHandorf





**FROM THE** 

SCHOOL

NURSE

### NDA COVID-19 INFORMATION -

REMEMBER, the <u>NDA COVID-19 Information page</u> on the website has many important resources for parents and students:

- Pandas Return to Campus Plan
- Question Submission Link
- NDA COVID-19 Response Chart for Students and Staff
- and more!

### IMPORTANT INFORMATION FOR PARENTS <

Additional information from the Diocese of Covington (10.09.20)

We have received a few questions regarding a recent update to Kentucky's Travel Advisory. For reference, the Kentucky Department of Health recently added the state of Florida to its travel advisory. Prior to adding Florida, Kentucky's travel advisory had recommended a 14-day self-quarantine for travelers who visit any state reporting a COVID-19 positive testing rate equal to or greater than 15%. Florida was added to the advisory because they have lifted their COVID-19 restrictions and there may be a higher risk of contracting COVID-19 as a result of travel there.

In the current "Diocese of Covington COVID-19 Return to School" document, the mandatory travel quarantine is based on the positivity rate. As a result, travel to Florida at this time does not require a mandatory quarantine unless students are traveling by commercial means, they are planning to engage in higher risk activities such as visiting amusement parks, or the positivity rate reaches 15%. Families who choose to travel to Florida are encouraged to use extra caution and should notify the school if they choose to participate in the state recommended 14-day self-quarantine upon return. An update to the COVID-19 Return to School document will be released on Monday, October 19th and will align its 14-day quarantine mandate to include any places listed on the Kentucky Department of Health travel advisory.

#### MAKE GOOD CHOICES! HELP PREVENT THE SPREAD OF COVID-19

- Symptom Screenings and Health Precautions
- Contact Tracing
- Cleaning and Sanitizing our Campus
- Hand Sanitizing
- Masks
- Social Distancing
- Safety Barriers



Together we can Make a Difference!

NOTRE DAME ACADEMY

# Please join us for our virtual event Saturday, October 17, 2020 from 7:00 - 8:00 p.m.

# Registration is now Open!

Take a sneak peek at the incredible items that are available in the auction as well as the special raffles. Bidding is now open and will continue until the conclusion of the Gala on Saturday, October 17, at 8 p.m. Once you register and place your first bid, you will then be entered in a drawing to win a bottle of Blanton's Bourbon!

# **Important Information**

# Register for the ZOOM AUTUMN GALA!

The 2020 Autumn Gala is almost here!

We hope you are looking forward to our first ever virtual Autumn Gala coming up this Saturday night!

Register for the Zoom event here: https://zoom.us/meeting/register/ tJMlc-mhrzsiEt2lEkwFIOTtO7Lg3lNzfWGs

Once you have registered, you will be emailed a link to the 2020 Autumn Gala Zoom event.

#### How to Register to Bid

The success of the Autumn Gala greatly depends on parents, alumnae and friends like you who understand the value of Catholic education.

To Register for the Autumn Gala click on the link below <u>https://ndacvg.ejoinme.org/</u> gala2020

On the top right corner of your screen click on the orange "Register to Bid" button. You can watch a video with directors HERE.

For any questions regarding your registration contact Denise Bowman at 859.640.2265.

### Pappy VanWinkle 12 yr Raffle

There's still time to get your chance to win a bottle of Pappy Van Winkle 12 Year Special Reserve.

*Purchase a ticket for \$50 and you could be the lucky winner.* 

Only 100 tickets will be sold!

The winner will be announced Saturday, October 17.

#### **CLICK HERE**

to purchase your Pappy VanWinkle Raffle ticket before they are all gone!





October 17, 2020



# Thank You to our Sponsors!

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# FRESHMAN HOMEROOM REPRESENTATIVES

Congratulations to the following freshman who have been elected as Homeroom Representatives for the class of 2024:

Jasmine Barczak Sophia Franxman Caroline Joyce Jackeline Otto Hannah Renaker Sam Spellman

### CAMPUS MINISTRY NEWS <

# Campus Minis ry

In honor of this year's common reader, The Book Woman of Troublesome Creek, a book drive will be held from October 26-30. In order for this project to take place, we ask that anyone who is able to please bring in any gently used or new children's books for reading levels K-8. These books will be sorted, packed up, and donated to local service agencies and schools. The. books will be for students to keep and take home so they have a book of their own to read. The purpose of this book drive is to help young students who do not have free access to books at all times. In the process, it embodies the theme of our common reader and reminds of us of the importance of books and reading. We hope that everyone looks forward to helping make this project a success!



# DANCE PANDA AUDITIONS

- When: Monday October 19, 3:45-5:45 p.m.
- Where: NDA Theatre
- What to prepare: Come warmed up and ready to dance! Please wear comfortable clothes that are easy to move in and shoes that are appropriate for dancing.
- What to expect: You will be learning a short "pom" routine, have time to review, then perform in small groups. Please note, your small group may get done before 5:45 p.m.

How to sign up: Please email Ms. Pauly at <u>paulyh@ndapandas.org</u> no later than 12 p.m. on Sunday October 18. When emailing, please include your name, grade, and any dance experience you have!



### BAMBOOTIQUE NEWS <

The Bambootique's deal of the week is 10 % off Sport Wick items! You can check them out online here: <u>online Bambootique</u>!

# Panda Sneak Peek Informational Coffee



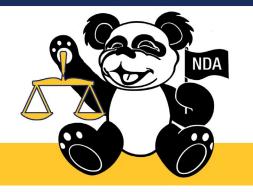
## PANDA SNEAK PEEK INFORMATIONAL COFFEES 2020 <

#### Informational Coffees for prospective Panda parents!

If you know any prospective families who would like to learn more about NDA, encourage them to attend a Coffee this fall. Space is limited for the in-person Coffees due to social distancing. Reservations are required for all of these events. Interested families should contact Katie Caccavari, Director of Admissions, for details and registration information, <u>caccavarik@ndapandas.org</u> 859-292-1829.

- Thursday, October 22, 7 8 p.m.--This event will be virtual.\*\*
- Wednesday, October 28, 8 9 a.m.--This event will be held in person on our campus.\*
- Tuesday, Nov. 10, 6 7:30 p.m.--This event will be held in person on our campus\* NOTE: 8TH GRADE STUDENTS MAY ATTEND THE NOV. 10 EVENT WITH THEIR PARENTS.

# **MOCK TRIAL**



# INTERESTED IN MOCK TRIAL?

The Mock Trial team is looking to add a few more members to the team for the 2020-2021 year! If you are interested in trying out for the Mock Trial team, please email me, Ms. Hillary Johnson (johnsonh@ndapandas.org) for more details.

Please know that even if you don't intend to become a lawyer or go to law school in the future, that does not mean that you can't join the Mock Trial team.

Don't forget that you will earn a half credit for your participation and role on the Mock Trial team!



### ORDER LUNCH FOR NEXT WEEK <

#### **CLICK HERE** for the lunch order form for next week.

This form serves as a head count for our cafeteria staff. Please indicate which day you would like to purchase lunch next week. Check all that apply. Payment will be due upon pick up in the cafeteria and using your ID card barcode and will be charged to your NDA lunch account through <u>PayPams</u>.

Orders are due by 3:00 p.m. each Friday. Orders for next week are due by 3:00 p.m. on Friday, October 16.

#### **Reminders about lunch:**

PARENTS: Please check the students lunch account balances through the PayPams link above. We have many with overdue balances.

# GRAPHIC DESIGN PANDEMIC PROJECTS ┥

The pandemic will end and twenty years from now you want to share your world during the pandemic with someone who was not born yet or was too young to remember what the pandemic was like. Graphic design students created these primary sources:



I took this photo the very first time that I saw my grandparents during quarantine.

Lizzie Lange



I chose this photo of a hand holding a mask because it seems like everywhere we go we have a mask at hand.

# ATHLETIC DEPARTMENT NEWS

# IMPORTANT INFORMATION FOR STUDENT ATHLETE PARENTS <

Student Athlete Parents,

We are excited that we have been able to have fall sports so far and we are looking forward to our winter and spring seasons as well. Due to COVID-19 and all the uncertainty around athletics, we held off on our Coupon Book Fundraiser but now we are ready to get it started!

You will have **3 options** to choose from to fulfill the coupon book fundraiser requirement for student athletes. You will have the opportunity to:

1) Sell 18 books for one daughter, 14 books for a second daughter and 8 for a third daughter participating in athletics

#### 2) Pay a fundraising fee and sell half of the books

#### 3) Pay a fundraising fee and sell no books

For one daughter, the selling book option would be to sell 18 books. The half option would be a \$140 fundraiser fee and selling 9 books. The full fundraising fee and selling no books for one daughter would be a \$280 fundraising fee.

For a second daughter, the selling book option would be to sell 14 books. The half option would be a \$110 fundraising fee and selling 7 books. The no selling book option would be a fundraising fee of \$220.

For a third daughter, the selling book option would be to sell 8 books. The half option would be a \$65 fundraising fee and selling 4 books. The no selling book option would be a fundraising fee of \$130.

Select an option in Final Forms for each child participating in Athletics by **October 19, 2020.** If you have already selected an option in Final Forms, you can leave it or log in to Final Forms and edit prior to October 19. If no option is selected, or a student chooses to participate in athletics after October 19, 2020, the student will owe the "Sell No Books" cost.

If you are unsure whether your daughter plans to participate in athletics, you may want to select the "Sell No Books" options so that books are not produced for you and you are not held financially responsible for those printed books.

If you choose to sell any coupon books, pick up will be the week of November 16, 2020 with money and completed sales spreadsheet due January 8, 2021. There will be more information to follow about the spreadsheet and money turn in.

If you choose to pay a fundraiser fee, those fees will be billed to your FACTS account in January.

We are looking forward to a great fundraiser!

Myanna Webster NDA Athletic Director





#### FREE WORKSHOP <

COLLEGE SCHOLARSHIPS: SHOW ME WHERE TO FIND THE MONEY Tuesday October 27th at 7:00 PM – REGISTER by <u>CLICKING HERE</u>

Every family wants to pay as little as possible for college. In this popular workshop, college expert Dan Bisig will show students and parents his favorite websites to search for colleges that give out the most money and the best websites to find private scholarships.

\*This Free Workshop is being put on by Dan Bisig, an Independent College Consultant. We wanted to share this resource with our families. Questions: Contact Kelly Burgei @ <u>burgeik@ndapandas.org</u>.



### DRUG FREE CLUB ┥

# **DFCA Student Video**

# Making the Right Choice

Why haven't you registered your daughter in Drug Free Clubs of America (DFCA) yet?

# **Q** - Why should we reward them for something we expect of them any-way?

A - Drug Free Club is a form of Positive peer pressure! It helps students resist the temptations to make poor choices. Their brains are not fully developed yet, which can make them weak during impulsive moments. This could be the difference between them saying Yes and NO in an unexpected difficult moment.

Right now, NDA has over 74% of our students voluntarily enrolled in our Drug Free Club. Only 143 students are not in the club, but there is STILL TIME!

Drug Free Club Applications will be accepted through October 30.

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# **RESOURCES FOR PARENTS & STUDENTS**

- October Recommendations: Movie <u>The Social Dilemma</u> (available on Netflix) This documentary film explores the rise of social media and its effects society, including data mining, how its design is meant to nurture an addiction, its use in politics, and its effect on mental health (including the mental health of adolescents and rising teen suicide rates).
- NDA Parent Toolbox

### GOVERNOR'S SCHOOL FOR ENTREPRENEURS (GSE)

GSE has scheduled <u>Virtual Learning Events</u> this fall for prospective applicants and their families to showcase the GSE experience and dive into the application process:

Wednesday, Oct. 21 from 4-5 pm Tuesday, Nov. 10 from 4-5 pm Thursday, Nov. 19 from 4-5 pm Wednesday, Dec. 9 from 4-5 pm Wednesday, Dec. 16 from 4-5 pm

This free, prestigious program will take place on Northern Kentucky University's campus in the summer of 2021. All current 9th, 10th, and 11th-grade students are welcome to apply.

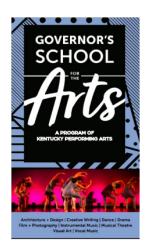


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# GOVERNOR'S SCHOLARS PROGRAM (GSP) 🤜

**Applications are due to Mrs. Hildreth November 18.** The <u>GSP website</u> has everything one needs to know to successfully complete their application, including a <u>Helpful Hints Packet</u> and informational videos detailing sections. (GSP recommends viewing these videos!) Contact Mrs. Hildreth with questions.



# GOVERNOR'S SCHOOL FOR THE ARTS (GSA)

Architecture Visual Art Film & Photography Creative Writing Instrumental Music Vocal Music Musical Theater Drama Dance

KY Governor's School for the Arts (GSA) 2020-21

SIGN UP for Info Sessions HERE (Registration is FREE but REQUIRED.)

October 14 - Applicant Guides Released on the GSA website.

October 15 - Virtual Info Session: What's an Applicant Guide?! - 4:30pm

October 29th - GSA APPLICATION WALK-THROUGH - 4:30 pm.

**Meet Your Adjudicators** (November through December)- Each Art Form has a different session. Registrations FREE but REQUIRED. See the <u>LIST</u> on pg. 2



# College Rep Visits

### COLLEGE REP VISITS ┥

Due to COVID-19, we cannot invite College Reps into the building, but we will be organizing Virtual College Visits for NDA students!

Samford University Wednesday, October 14 @ 7:00 p.m. Visit Link: https://undergradadmission.samford.edu

University of Alabama Huntsville Wednesday, October 14 @ 7:00 p.m. Visit Link: https://uah-uasystem.zoom.us

Indiana University Bloomington Wednesday, October 14 @ 7:00 p.m. Pre-Register: <u>https://iu.zoom.us</u>

Eastern Kentucky University Thursday, October 15 @ 7:00 p.m. Visit Link: <u>https://eku.zoom.us</u>

University of the Cumberlands Monday, October 19 @ 7:00 p.m. Visit Link: https://ucumberlands.zoom.us

**Ohio University** Monday, October 19 @ 7:00 p.m. Visit Link: https://ohio.zoom.us

University of Kentucky Tuesday, October 20 @ 7:00 p.m. Visit Link: <u>https://uky.zoom.us</u> Wittenberg University Tuesday, October 20 @ 7:00 p.m. Visit Link: <u>https://apply.wittenberg.edu</u>

Long Island University - Post Thursday, October 22 @ 7:00 p.m. Visit Link: <u>https://liu.zoom.us</u>

University of Louisville Thurs, Oct 22 @ 7:00 p.m. Visit Link: <u>https://us02web.zoom.us</u>

Louisiana State University Tues, Oct 27 @ 7:00 p.m. Visit Link: <u>https://lsu.zoom.us</u>

Kentucky Wesleyan College Wednesday, October 28 @ 7:00 p.m. Visit Link: <u>https://us02web.zoom.us</u> Visit Link: <u>https://us.bbcollab.com/guest/c3dd32226c90476480318172592b5a5e</u>

Gateway Community & Technical College Monday, November 30 @ 7:00 p.m.

Questions about College Visits: Contact Ms. Burgei @ <u>burgeik@ndapadns.org</u>





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# COMMUNITY NEWS

You can find a complete list of community news CLICK HERE.

- Resources to Support Learning for parents, educators, & kids of all ages
- Help Wanted: School Cafeteria Managers and School Cafeteria Staff

# Important dates

October 16	First Quarter Ends
	Picture Retake Day
October 17	2020 Virtual Autumn Gala
October 22	Informational Parent Coffee for Prospective Parents - Virtual
October 24	ACT at NDA
October 28	Informational Parent Coffee for Prospective Parents - In Person
	Common Reader Day
October 30	Halloween Festivities
November 2	No School: All Saints
November 3	No School: Election Day
November 6	Remembrance Mass
November 24	Thanksgiving Prayer Service
November 25-27	No School: Thanksgiving Break
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