



An e-Newsletter for the Families of Notre Dame Academy

LETTER FROM THE PRINCIPAL ◀

Dear Parents,

There is no place like NDA to celebrate Halloween! The creativity of students, faculty and staff was on full display last Friday. You can check out a few pictures from our Halloween festivities and see who won the costume contests below.

I hope that you found some time to spend with your daughter over the four day weekend and had the opportunity to be outside and enjoy the beautiful weather. As we deal with the daily challenges of COVID-19, I believe taking time to rest and rejuvenate is very important for the mental health of our community, especially our students. These are stressful times and I am impressed each and every day with the way our students and faculty are dealing with school during a global pandemic.

Our CANdemonium kickoff is taking place this week. From November 4 - 20, our students will be collecting canned goods to donate to St. Vincent DePaul. **On November 5 (tomorrow) and 12, students who bring in 5 cans or more can have a dress down day.** I thank you in advance for your generous support of this important annual event and apologize for your empty pantry shelves!

If you know a young woman who is ready to make a difference in the world, please invite her to learn about the all-girl advantage at Notre Dame Academy beginning this Sunday, November 8, as our **2020 Open House Experience** kicks off. Our top priority at NDA this school year is maintaining a safe and healthy environment so that our students can continue to attend school in person. In light of that, we have decided not to host our traditional fall Open House with large groups of people visiting our campus and interacting with our students and faculty. Instead, we are offering a Panda Parking Lot Pep Rally on Sunday for prospective Pandas to drive through campus and experience the spirit of NDA as well as many smaller in person and virtual evening events next week. These Information Sessions and Virtual Interest Sessions will showcase all of the amazing elements of an NDA education to our incoming 8th graders. You can find the complete list of 2020 Open House Experience opportunities and registration information [HERE](#).

At the risk of repeating myself, I feel compelled to remind everyone of the importance of our students and families following COVID-19 safety protocols. It is critically important that we stay focused on the common good and what science tells us about COVID-19: the best way to prevent illness is to avoid being exposed to this virus. That being said, I would like to thank you for encouraging your daughter to follow COVID-19 mitigation strategies outside of school so that we can continue in person learning at NDA. The good choices of our students are making an impactful and positive difference this school year!

Thank you for partnering with us in your daughter's Catholic education!

In Notre Dame,

Mr. Jack VonHandorf





NDA COVID-19 INFORMATION ◀

REMEMBER, the [NDA COVID-19 Information page](#) 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!

FROM THE SCHOOL NURSE



IMPORTANT INFORMATION FOR PARENTS FROM THE SCHOOL NURSE ◀

Parents, please note that if a person within your household is being tested for COVID-19, your daughter must stay home until results are received and confirmed.

In the event that someone in your household is being tested for COVID-19, please contact Mrs. McLeod in the front office (859-292-1821 or mcleods@ndapandas.org) or Tina Sizemore, the school nurse, (859-292-1843 or sizemoret@ndapandas.org).

Even if the person within your household is being tested for COVID-19 as a precautionary measure or you are seeking a definitive diagnosis from a physician, please keep your daughter home from school until results are received and confirmed.

ALSO: PLEASE SEE THESE UPDATED DOCUMENTS FROM THE DIOCESE OF COVINGTON

[Return to School Requirements - Updated October 19, 2020](#)

[Return to Sports - October](#)

[Miscellaneous School Activities 10-19](#)

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!

HAPPY HALLOWEEN!



TRICK OR TREAT!



STUDENT LIFE

HALLOWEEN FESTIVITIES ◀

Congratulations to the following Halloween costume contest winners:

Freshmen Megan Mckeown - Pope
Sophomore Jayden Ford - Benjamin Franklin
Junior Kaitlyn Eberheart - Raining Men
Senior Caroline Dunlevy - Jesus
Faculty Individual Mr. Stamm - NDA Student
Faculty Group - Captain and Crew



CANDEMONIUM BEGINS TODAY! ◀

The annual can food drive, aka CANDEMONIUM, begins today! From November 4 - 20 we will be collecting cans to send to St. Vincent DePaul. Due to current events they are deeply in need of food. **On November 5 and 12, there will be dress down days for those who bring in 5 cans those days.** At the end of the drive, the grade level with the most cans will get Chick-fil-A sandwiches brought to them for lunch. Don't forget to bring in your cans!

Remember: success comes in CANS, not can'ts!



BAMBOOTIQUE NEWS ◀

There are some great new items for your Pandas at NDA's spirit wear shop - the Bambootique! Start your Christmas shopping now at NDA's [online Bambootique!](#)

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 [PayPams](#).

Orders are due by 3:00 p.m. each Friday. **Orders for next week are due by 3:00 p.m. on Friday, November 6.**

PARENTS: Please check the students lunch account balances through [PayPams](#). We have many with overdue balances.



Campus Ministry

CAMPUS MINISTRY NEWS ◀

Campus Ministry: We continue to pray a decade of the rosary every Monday, Tuesday and Thursday at 7:40 a.m. in the chapel. All students and faculty/staff members are welcome to join us.

Junior Retreat: The Junior Class Retreat will take place on Monday, Dec. 7 from 3:30-9:30 p.m. Juniors will NOT come to class that morning but are required to attend the retreat in the afternoon/evening. They are off the following day, Dec. 8 for the Feast of the Immaculate Conception. More details will be shared with the students as we get closer to the date. The retreat will take place on campus and all COVID-19 Back to School Protocol will be followed.

ATHLETIC DEPARTMENT NEWS

NEWS FROM THE ATHLETIC DEPARTMENT ◀

CROSS COUNTRY

Cross Country finished 4th at Regionals and ran at State this past weekend. Congratulations on a great season cross country Pandas!

VOLLEYBALL

Volleyball won the 9th Region and will be playing in the State Tournament Friday and Saturday at George Rogers Clark High School. Anna Long was named 1st Team All State and Emma Grace was named to the 2nd Team All State.

SOCCER

Congratulations to these Soccer Pandas who made All State for soccer!

Lauren Carothers - 1st Team All State

Macie Feldman - 2nd Team All State

Emma Spivey - All State Honorable Mention



COMING SOON... ◀

NDA and CCH present MACBETH! Watch for the full production by the end of October but until then... <https://vimeo.com/469277430>



NOTRE DAME ACADEMY
Educating Women to Make a Difference

2020

Open House

Experience

Beginning Sunday, November 8, 2020
@ www.ndapandas.org

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

If you know an 8th grade girl who could benefit from a Notre Dame Academy education, please share our 2020 Open House Experience information with her.

Beginning on Sunday, November 8, NDA will kick off a week of virtual and in-person events to showcase The Notre Dame Life.

All Open House materials will be available on NDA's website: www.ndapandas.org.



**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, caccavarik@ndapandas.org | 859-292-1829.

- Tuesday, November 10, 6 - 7:30 p.m. and Wednesday, November 11, 6 - 7:30 p.m. These events will be held in person on our campus* NOTE: 8TH GRADE STUDENTS MAY ATTEND THESE EVENTS WITH THEIR PARENTS.



DISTRICT ACT TEST FOR JUNIORS IN SPRING ◀

The Juniors will be taking the ACT in school on March 2, 2021. Please note that this is a different date that may have been on our school calendar or reported to students previously. This is an ACT that counts as a real ACT and scores can be sent to colleges. The students do not need to register for this test online. The registration will occur on paper and during school time.



ACT MATH PREP CLASS ◀

If students are looking to raise their Math ACT score, NKY Tutoring is holding a Prep Class to prepare students for the December 12th ACT. Info here: [ACT Math Prep Class](#)

Virtual College Fair

JESUIT COLLEGES: VIRTUAL FAIR ◀

Thurs, November 5 (4 p.m. - 8 p.m.)

Hear from students and explore 25 Jesuit Colleges and Universities from across the country.

Register @ [JET TOUR](#) using the code JetTour2020



UNIVERSITY OF CINCINNATI SHOWCASE ◀

Juniors and Seniors can learn about academics, student life, and admissions for UC during this virtual "open house." Students can attend up to five, 15-minute breakout sessions of their choice.

Register Here: [UC Showcase](#)



CLOSER LOOK AT OSU ◀

Get a closer look at Ohio State via multiple Live Virtual Events such as: "Ask Me Anything", Student Panels, and Campus Tours. On-Campus visits are not open yet at OSU, but see full info about Virtual Events here: [OSU Explore](#)

While we hope to be back to campus soon, this is the best way to learn about Ohio State in the interim.



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!

Gateway Community & Technical College

Monday, November 30 @ 7:00 p.m.

Visit Link: <http://docs.google.com>

SUMMER HEALTHCARE CAMP OPPORTUNITIES WITH UK AHEC ◀

The University of Kentucky Area Health Education Centers offer two three-week residential summer camps which are of no cost to participants. The camps are for those interested in pursuing or exploring a career in health-care. Registration is now open and you can apply online.

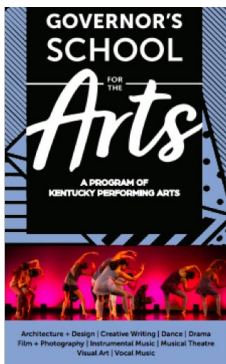
The [Summer Enrichment Program Camp](#) is open to Kentucky-resident rising high school **juniors (current sophomores)** who attend a school in Kentucky. The [Health Researchers Youth Academy Camp](#) is open to Kentucky-resident rising high school **seniors (current juniors)** who attend a school in Kentucky. Applications are reviewed by a committee of AHEC personnel and partners from the UK campus and around the state. Based on various criteria (letter of recommendation, personal statements, transcript, etc.), invitations are extended to students selected to attend.

For more information and registration for these camps for the summer click here: <http://ahec.med.uky.edu/summer-health-career-camps>



GOVERNOR'S SCHOLARS PROGRAM (GSP) ◀

Applications are due to Mrs. Hildreth November 18. Students should review the [Helpful Hints Packet](#) found on the [GSP website](#) before completing their application. It has information one needs to know to successfully complete the GSP application, and informational videos. **Mrs. Hildreth will be available on Thursdays in the Quad during Panda Prime Time for anyone who would like help with their application.**



GOVERNOR'S SCHOOL FOR THE ARTS (GSA) ◀

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

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

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

Applicant Guides have been released on the [GSA website](#).

Meet Your Adjudicators (November through December)- Each Art Form has a different session. Registrations FREE but REQUIRED. See the [LIST](#) on pg. 2

GOVERNOR'S SCHOOL FOR ENTREPRENEURS (GSE) ◀

GSE has scheduled [Virtual Learning Events](#) this fall for prospective applicants and their families to showcase the GSE experience and dive into the application process:

Tuesday, Nov. 10 from 4-5 p.m.
Thursday, Nov. 19 from 4-5 p.m.
Wednesday, Dec. 9 from 4-5 p.m.
Wednesday, Dec. 16 from 4-5 p.m.

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.** [@KentuckyGSE | Linktree](#)





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COMMUNITY NEWS ◀

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

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

▶ Important dates

November 4	Candemonium Begins
November 5	Out of Uniform - 5 can donation
November 6	Remembrance Mass
November 8	NDA Open House Experience Week Begins
November 10	NDA Information Session for Prospective Students
November 11	NDA Information Session for Prospective Students
November 12	Out of Uniform - 5 can donation
November 20	Candemonium Ends
November 24	Thanksgiving Prayer Service
November 25-27	No School: Thanksgiving Break
December 7	JR Retreat (no classes on this day)
December 8	No School - Immaculate Conception
December 12	HSPT and ACT at NDA