



An e-Newsletter for the Families of Notre Dame Academy

LETTER FROM THE PRINCIPAL ◀

Dear Parents,

Although our students have been anxiously awaiting this week, it is bittersweet for me as their principal. There is nothing I love more than the energy and enthusiasm our Pandas bring to our campus at Notre Dame Academy and I hate to see them go at the end of each academic year. We have had a very challenging school year and I cannot begin to tell you how much I appreciate the way in which our students and faculty members have handled it. Despite the added COVID-19 protocols, our community was successful in many ways this school year. Most importantly, our students, faculty and staff have been successful in living our mission and supporting our theme of *Uniting Humankind as Reflections of God's Love*. Thank you for your support this year in our efforts to mitigate the spread of COVID-19 on our campus. Together, we made a positive difference this school year.

Our school administration and COVID-19 team will begin meeting next week to plan for the upcoming school year. School starts on August 17 but please keep an eye on your email throughout the summer months for more information about the 2021-22 school year at NDA.

I have some sad news to pass on to you today about a family member of one of our juniors. Mary Elminger's father passed away on Saturday. Please keep Mary and her family in your prayers.

We are not quite finished with the job of educating at NDA this school year. Many of our students and parents have questions about the COVID-19 vaccine now available for people 12 years old and older. Tonight we are offering our students and their parents an opportunity to learn more about the COVID-19 vaccine. We will be hosting a **PARENT INFORMATION SESSION: COVID-19 VACCINE** this evening from 6:30 - 7:30 p.m. at NDA. We will also live stream the event for members of our community who do not wish to attend in person. **PLEASE NOTE:** whether you are attending in-person or virtually, you must register for the session [HERE](#) by today at 5:30 p.m. You can also submit questions you have about the vaccine in regard to students receiving it when you register for the event.

We will have one more Panda Press Weekly next Wednesday to wrap up the school year. Until then, please join me in congratulating our seniors on their upcoming graduation. This is a special time for them and we are so happy that they are able to celebrate it together!

In Notre Dame,

Mr. Jack VonHandorf

Prayer for our Graduates

Lord, we lift these graduates up to You and ask for Your mighty blessings to rain down.

Show these young women success in life and allow them to be respected and appreciated in all that they do.

Allow them to feel the joys of accomplishments after hard work, but also keep them focused on knowing that You are the reason for all successes in life.

Give them courage, unbending faith, strong values, and a generous heart.

Keep their Catholic foundation a part of all decisions made and bless them with bountiful opportunities.

We ask these things in Your name. Amen.

NDA COVID-19 INFORMATION

Learn More >>

NDA COVID-19 INFORMATION ◀

REMEMBER, the [NDA COVID-19 Information page](#) on the website has many important resources for parents and students.



NOTRE DAME ACADEMY

Educating Women to Make a Difference

PARENT INFORMATION SESSION:

COVID-19 VACCINE

TONIGHT - MAY 26 | 6:30 - 7:30 PM

The session will be hosted in-person and live streamed.

REGISTRATION IS REQUIRED for both.

Our students and parents have many questions about the COVID-19 vaccine, now available for people 12 years old and older.

In line with our mission, we are bringing together a team of NDA alumnae in the medical field to educate our community about the COVID-19 vaccine and answer their questions pertaining to students receiving the vaccine - including how students can receive a COVID-19 vaccine.

This **Parent Information Session: COVID-19 VACCINE** will take place in-person at NDA and will be live streamed online. [PLEASE REGISTER HERE](#) by 5:30 p.m. today to attend in-person OR online. You can also submit questions to be answered by our panel of alumnae medical professionals at the session.

FROM THE
SCHOOL
NURSE



THANK YOU! ◀

Thank you to our parents and students for all that you have done this year to keep our community safe and healthy. I truly appreciate the cooperation of our students and parents throughout this challenging year!

COVID-19 Mitigation Protocols

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



Together we can Make a Difference!

As of today, Wednesday, May 26, we have had 6 reported case of a member of our community testing positive for COVID-19 within the last week. We also currently have a few students who have reported an exposure to COVID-19. As per our requirements, those students are following the quarantine guidelines in our [COVID-19 Response Chart](#).

We have consulted with the Diocese of Covington about these recent exposure cases and we thank the families involved for reporting this information and helping to keep our school community safe.

As we move forward, please keep NDA updated on any COVID-19 related issues involving your family. In the event that someone in your household is being tested for COVID-19 or your daughter is exposed to or tests positive for COVID-19, please contact our school nurse, Tina Sizemore, RN., at 859.292.1843 or sizemoret@ndapandas.org.

Shimmeree Shimmerah!

Congratulations to our Seniors!



STUDENT LIFE

Hey Pandas!



2021-2022 CALENDAR ◀

[CLICK HERE](#) to access NDA's Google calendar which is accessible through the school's website.

FINAL FORMS ◀

If you have not already done so, please be sure to log in to [Final Forms](#) and complete everything for the 2021/2022 school year.

UNIFORMS FOR 2021-2022 ◀

Get ready for the next school year and looking to purchase new uniform pieces? Visit Schoolbelles' website at <http://www.schoolbelles.com/myschool/M37/s1935> to purchase.

Approved Uniform pieces are listed below as stated in our Student/Parent Handbook:

- a gray uniform skirt or uniform slacks (the skirt or pants must fit properly, be zipped and buttoned, hemmed appropriately and free of stains, rips, and/or holes). Students are required to obtain a new skirt or pants if it no longer zips, has tears, holes, or stains.
- a white or light blue banded Notre Dame Academy polo shirt
- solid white, gray, black or navy blue socks
- appropriate shoes that have a back to them
- name tag/lanyard

Optional items that may be purchased and worn with the uniform include:

- a navy blue Notre Dame Academy pullover sweater
- a navy blue Notre Dame Academy cardigan sweater
- a navy blue Notre Dame Academy sweatshirt (available for purchase through Schoolbelles and NDA's Bambootique)
- a navy blue Notre Dame Academy fleece
- a navy blue blazer with NDA's emblem for special occasions such as Mass, award ceremonies, etc.
- gray, black, or navy blue leggings
- black dress slacks for designated events



VOTE!
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VOTE TODAY FOR YOUR FELLOW PANDAS! ◀

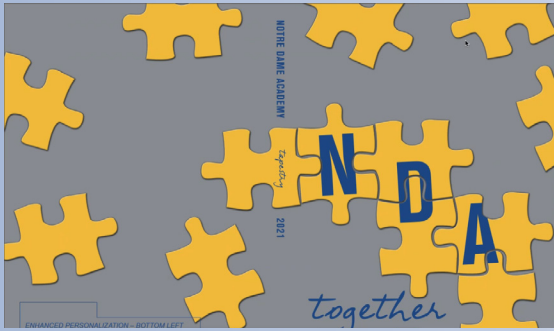
Go [HERE](#) to vote for the NDA Tennis Team, Doubles team-Lauren Janzaruk and Taylor Meenach. and Single player Martine Hue

BUY NOW FOR A CHANCE AT GETTING NEXT YEAR'S FREE! ◀

The 2021 yearbook, Together, is on sale now at jostens.com. Everyone who orders by May 15 (including those who have already ordered) will be automatically entered in a drawing for a free 2022 yearbook! Books are \$70 and will be ready for fall delivery.

SENIOR RECOGNITION ADS! ◀

Senior parents: You're understandably proud of your daughter? Why not say it with a yearbook recognition ad? They're available in a variety of sizes starting at just \$45. **The deadline for senior recognition ads is May 31.** You get to choose the photos and words you want, and making them is quick, easy and fun! Getting started is as simple as following [THIS LINK](#).



SUMMER READING ◀

We have partnered with the local bookstore the Blue Marble to make acquiring summer reading books easier for our students. **CLICK HERE** to access NDA's Summer Reading information.



IMPORTANT REMINDER FOR PARENTS ◀

Attention Parents - Please check on your daughter's lunch account balance - we currently have many overdue accounts. You can check your daughter's account here: [PayPams](#).

SENIOR PARENTS - Please let Mrs. Brungs know if you would like a refund of the money in your daughter's lunch account or if you would like to have funds transferred to a younger student.

INFORMATION FROM TANK BUS SERVICE ◀

This summer, TANK is making a change that may affect a small number of current students at NDA. For many years, TANK has operated a bus after school to neighborhoods along Dixie Highway and Dudley Road in Edgewood. Due to a decline in ridership of this bus over the years, paired with serious operator shortages, TANK has had to look at the services they are providing and make some difficult decisions.

TANK will no longer be able to provide this bus to Notre Dame Academy. If you rely on this as a primary or back-up option of transportation to school, please be aware that this bus will no longer be available.





Notre Dame Academy has
for everyone this summer!

SUMMER OPPORTUNITIES AT NDA ◀

NDA has all sorts of Summer Enrichment Opportunities in Art, Band, Theatre and Athletics! Check out all of the awesome classes offered this summer at NDA! You can find further information and registration forms online [HERE](#).

REGISTRATION IS NOW OPEN FOR THE 2021 NDA/CCH THEATRE SHOWCASE CAMP! ◀

Spots are available for students going into 3rd grade through students going into 9th grade. This theatre camp has something for everyone from singing and dancing, to acting, for all experience levels. This camp will provide your student with the gift of creativity, exploration, and self-confidence. Camp will take place from 9:30 a.m. - 2:30 p.m. on June 14 to 19, the live Showcase performance will take place on Saturday, June 19 at 3 p.m. Sign up now [here!](#)

LEARN A BAND INSTRUMENT THIS SUMMER FOR FREE... ◀

ANY 7th - 12th Grader!

IF these awesome students shown below in the NDA/CCH Band can do it, SO can You !!

(Yes, we do have instruments on the shelf so you do not need to buy or rent anything.)

We Meet in the Band Room at NDA on Tuesday and Thursday Mornings this summer 8 - 9 a.m. beginning June 1...

Contact:

[Mr. Cerimele](#) or [Mrs. Geiman](#)
<http://cincyband.com>



CLASS OF 2021 INFORMATION



IMPORTANT GRADUATION INFORMATION ◀

Graduation Event Information

You can watch our live-streamed graduation ceremony [HERE](#).

Further information regarding graduation and senior events is on our website [HERE](#).



PROM PRINCESS CROWNED ◀

Congratulations to Kate Moore who was crowned Prom Princess at the NDA-CCH Senior Prom celebration!



SENIOR SWAG ◀

Seniors can pick up any senior swag items they ordered in the school office.

ATHLETIC DEPARTMENT NEWS



KHSAA COVID-19 RETURN TO PLAY FORM ◀

All students who test positive for COVID-19 must be cleared for progression back to activity by an approved health care provider (MD/DO) and MUST complete the [KHSAA COVID-19 Return to Play Form](#) before returning to participation in a physical education class or sports at NDA.

NDA MIDDLE SCHOOL CROSS COUNTRY! ◀

NDA is seeking any 5th-8th grade girls who attend a feeder school of NDA and are interested in participating on our 2021 middle school cross country team. This is an introduction to the rewarding sport of cross country. Our first practice will be Monday August 17 from 4:00-5:00 p.m. We will practice twice a week at this time at NDA or Devou Park near the Dress Pavilion. We compete in approximately 6-7 meets over the course of a couple months, with the season ending in October. A KHSAA physical is required to participate. Please direct all questions to the head coach for the past 21 seasons, Jim Parsons. Cell 859-802-1008 or jim.parsons@citcowater.com.

NDA GOLF OUTING ◀

The 23rd annual NDA Golf Outing will be held at Summit Hills Country Club on Monday July 26th with a 10a shotgun start. All profits from the outing go directly to the Athletic Department and allow us to continue to provide a competitive athletic program that complements our quality educational program for young women in Northern Kentucky. We are proud of Notre Dame Academy's tradition of rich and successful programs. Over the years, NDA has won 30 State Team Championship titles, has secured 39 State Runner-up titles and 73 individual state titles. This year we brought home the State Title in Volleyball and we had an individual swimming State Winner as well! NDA offers fourteen sports in which over half of NDA students participate. Your support makes this all possible!

To play, sponsor or for more information please visit our website at: <https://www.ndapandas.org/athletics/golf-outing.aspx>

BOWLING NEWS ◀

NDA's Athletic Department is pleased to announce that we have hired David Hampton as the new varsity bowling coach. Coach Hampton, a Sergeant with the Kenton County Sheriff's Office, comes to NDA with a great deal of experience and a passion for bowling. David started the bowling program at Simon Kenton and in his time there won a State Team Title, a Singles Title, a Team State Runner Up Title and was a 5 time NKACC Coach of the Year and a KHSAA Coach of the year. Coach Hampton will be joined by his long time assistant Jeremy Ziegler to lead our Pandas. Bowling is a winter sport, starting in early October. We will hold some open bowls at the beginning of the school year for those who want to try it out and see what it is all about!

If you are interested in bowling next school please select bowling in Final Forms or email Coach Hampton at hamptond@ndapandas.org.

SUMMER CAMPS



Archery - 6/7 - 6/9 \$75

grades 4th- 9th

Basketball - 6/14 - 6/17 \$95

grades 3rd - 9th

Cross Country - 6/7 - 6/10 \$65

grades 1st - 9th

Soccer - 6/15 - 6/17 \$65

grades 1st- 5th

Soccer - 6/22 - 6/24 \$65

grades 6th - 9th

Tennis - 6/14 - 6/17 \$105

grades 4th - 9th

Volleyball - 7/13 - 7/15 \$65

grades 3rd -4th

Volleyball - 7/13 - 7/16 \$95

grades 5th -9th

Registration Now Open



SIGN UP FOR A SUMMER CAMP TODAY! ◀

Registration is now open for all of NDA's Summer Athletic Camps! These camps are filling up quickly so if you are interested, register online [HERE](#) today!



TENNIS NEWS ◀

The Varsity tennis team has had a great season so far, with a 10-0 record regionally and a 15-3 overall statewide record! The Pandas were 2021 Team Sectional Champions, upsetting Lexington Catholic in the finals after losing to them in the regular season. The Pandas also were 2021 Regional Team Champions with 5 of the 6 Varsity starters qualifying for the State tournament. Lauren Janzaruk and Taylor Meenach were doubles regional champions, defeating teammates Samantha Bailey and Hailey Fullenkamp in a very close match in the finals! Janzaruk, Meenach, Fullenkamp, Bailey and Martine Hue will all compete at the state tournament for the team title held at UK June 1-3. This team has a lot of heart, grit and team spirit!

LIFE SIZE CUTOUTS

This life size cutout of your student athlete is a great way to honor our Panda athletes!

Use it at Senior nights, graduation parties and more!



Order by May 13th and you can get your cutout by May 28th for any summer graduation parties!

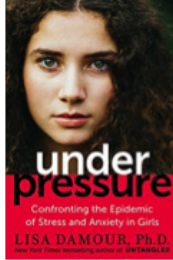
LIFE SIZE PANDA CUTOUTS! ◀

Get a life size cutout of your student for \$150 NDA golf outing sponsorship. It's a great way to honor your Panda athletes!

Use it at Senior nights, graduation parties and more! Order by May 13 and you can get your cutout by May 28 for any summer graduation parties!

To order your cutout today, head to [NDA's website](#) and download the sponsorship form at the bottom of the page. Fill it out and send it in to the front office. Someone will reach out to get the picture for the cutout!

COUNSELING AND STUDENT SERVICES ◀



RESOURCES FOR PARENTS & STUDENTS ◀ [NDA PARENT TOOLBOX](#)

Recommended Parent Reading for Summer!

Under Pressure by Lisa Damour (2019)
Confronting the epidemic of stress and anxiety in girls.



HOBY YOUTH LEADERSHIP ◀

NDA will have seven students attending the 2021 Kentucky HOBY (Hugh O'Brian Youth Leadership) Seminar this summer. They will experience transformative leadership development training in order to become more effective, ethical leaders in their home, school, workplace, and community. This training will take place on the campus of Berea College from June 17-21, 2021 and will include students from all over Kentucky!

Grace Autry
Lindsey Carothers
Lizzie Chun
Megan Chun
Hailey Fullenkamp
Kendall Hemsath
Maddie Thomas



YOUTH COUNCIL FOR SUICIDE PREVENTION ◀

The Youth Council for Suicide Prevention (YCSP) is a joint effort between 1N5 and Cincinnati Children's Hospital Medical Center. **They are seeking council members for the 2021-2022 school year.** YCSP is a small group of diverse teenagers from local high schools who are committed to improving the health and well-being of Cincinnati youth. **All applications are due June 15, 2021.**

[CLICK HERE TO LEARN MORE + APPLY!](#)



MENTAL WELLNESS APPS TO ENJOY THIS SUMMER ◀

- Social: [Teleparty](#)
- Emotional: [Happify](#)
[Headspace](#)
[Superbetter](#)
- Intellectual: [CheckingIn](#)
[Daylio: Self-Care & Goals](#)
- Physical: [Sleep Tracker: Sounds, Stories & Alarm Clock](#)
[Relax Melodies: Sleep Sounds](#)
- Spiritual: [Gratitude Happiness Journal](#)
[Think Up: Positive Affirmations](#)
[Smiling Mind](#)
[Hallow](#)

PLEASE NOTE!
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IMPORTANT INFORMATION FROM STUDENT SERVICES ◀

Parents, as we finish out this year, we wanted to let you know of information we have sent out to the students. This information has been communicated to them a few times previously and it has also been in the Panda Press. Here is what I reminded them about the schedule for next year:

- Conflicts have not been generated yet. This means that Ms. Burgei or Ms. Monohan **may be contacting students via email in the next couple weeks** to let you know that you have a conflict and will need to make a schedule adjustment. Please check it periodically in the next 2-3 weeks. Final schedules will be posted in Powerschool late July.
- The date to switch an Honors or CP class has ended. There is a small window of time (2 weeks) at the start of next year where we may be able to make a change in non AP classes if the schedule allows and it does not bring a class below 12 students.
- The **last date** to request a move out of an AP class is **May 28**. We will not be able to move a student out of an AP class next school year
- We will still be able to add classes that are out of the school day such as Chorus, Band, Science Research and Law and Justice now and into the next school year

JUST 160 MORE! ◀

Thank you very much to those of you who have already subscribed to our YouTube channel to help us reach 1000 subscribers! In order to live stream with a mobile device on YouTube, our channel needs to have at least 1000 subscribers. Currently we have 850. We are so close! Once we have 1000 subscribers, we will be able to share Masses, athletics events and more with our NDA community. If you haven't already subscribed, please do so at the link below. If you have already subscribed, please share the link with a friend or family member. **PLEASE [CLICK HERE](#) to subscribe to NDA's YouTube channel today.**



Alumnae Storyboard

ALUMNAE STORYBOARD ◀

The Alumnae Storyboard is a feature which captures the everyday happenings of our alumnae. Each story is posted in the main hallway just outside the cafeteria so that you can see how our alumnae are truly continuing to make a difference in the world. The Storyboard serves as a source of inspiration and motivation just for you! The Alumnae Storyboard for end of this academic year features the Class of 2021 and you can access it [HERE](#).



YOU ARE CORDIALLY INVITED TO ATTEND
NOTRE DAME ACADEMY'S TWENTIETH ANNUAL
Women Making A Difference
AWARD LUNCHEON 2021
THURSDAY, JUNE 3, 2021
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.

2021 WOMEN MAKING A DIFFERENCE HONOREES

				
Sister Mary Paul Ann Hanneken, SND 1950	Sister Mary Rachel Nerone, SND 1954	Sister Mary Janet Stamm, SND 1958	Annie Faragher Bennett 1966	Sharon Bosch Foster 1983

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

WMAD 2021 ◀

Please join us at NDA's *Women Making A Difference Award Luncheon 2021* on Thursday, June 3, the Northern Kentucky Convention Center. We will honor 5 Notre Dame Academy alumnae for the contributions they have made to their families, their communities and beyond. You can make your reservation online [HERE](#). **PLEASE NOTE:** COVID-19 safety protocols will be strictly followed at this event to ensure the health and safety of our guests. Also, networking will be confined to your table.



2021 AUTUMN GALA ◀

Save the date! This year's Autumn Gala is scheduled for October 16, 2021. If you are interested in serving on the Executive Planning Committee for the 2021 Autumn Gala, please contact Nancy Goeke at goeken@ndapandas.org or 859.292.1851.



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Manley Burke is a law firm comprised of big law talent with small firm agility handling both large multi-

faceted problems and daily operational matters. Manley Burke has highly skilled attorneys in a variety of specialties and bring a breadth of expertise and experience to issues related to corporate governance, corporate and tax compliance, non-profit organizations and nonprofit tax, estate planning, municipal law, land use and zoning, real estate law, and higher education law, among others. Manley Burke's diverse services, as well as having attorneys licensed in both Kentucky and Ohio, allows us to act as a single-legal-service provider and advisor, while drawing on the knowledge and experience of attorneys across practice areas. We are able to effectively and efficiently problem-solve across practice areas and identify potential issues before they happen. We give our best to our clients, bring positivity and creativity to problem solving and thrive working collaboratively with our clients and each other.

COMMUNITY



NEWS

COMMUNITY NEWS ◀

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

- St. Joseph Heights Work Study Positions available for Students
- Pro-Life Event for Teens
- Friday night Pound and Unplugged
- Youth Day Rosary and Mass
- Music and Cross-Curricular Summer Workshops & Course Offerings for Immanuel School of Music
- Seeking Lower Tuition Payments?

▶ Important dates

May 27	Cleaning Day
	Baccalaureate Mass
May 28	SR Awards and Breakfast at Receptions
	Graduation at NKYCC
June 3	Women Making A Difference Luncheon
June 7	NDA Leadership Summit Begins
July 26	NDA Golf Outing
August 2	Incoming Freshman iPad Sessions Begin
August 9	Diocesan Mass/Faculty Inservice
August 10	Freshman Orientation
August 12	In-service Day
August 13	In-service Day
August 17	First Day of School!