

Dear Parents,

I hope you and your family enjoyed a blessed and joyous Easter break. It was a wonderful opportunity to reflect, think and pray. It was also a great chance for our students to relax a bit before the final stretch of the school year.

Looking ahead to the next academic year, Mrs. Miller sent out a letter containing important tuition details yesterday. In case you didn't see it, you can access it **HERE**.

Our returning students have some wonderful scholarship opportunities at NDA. If your daughter is interested in applying for any of the NDA scholarships offered for the 2024-25 school year, please check our website **HERE** for application information. The application deadline is April 15. Also, please note that the applications for Financial aid and Work Study are also due April 15. 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. You can access the job application for our Work Study Program as well as the FACTS Grant & Aid Assessment form on the Financial Assistance page of our website **HERE**.

Below you will find all sorts of exciting news about what is happening at NDA and the many recent accomplishments of our students. These accomplishments reflect the hard work of our students, the dedication of our faculty and the support of our parents. While we celebrate our students' successes, it's essential to recognize that a Notre Dame Academy education is about more than just academic achievements. It's about nurturing strong, independent young women who are committed to making a positive impact in the world. Rooted in the values instilled by the Sisters of Notre Dame, our education emphasizes spiritual and moral growth, preparing our students for lives filled with success, service, and fulfillment. These are the values that inspire our work.

Easter Blessings!

Enjoy this special time of year. As always, thank you for entrusting your daughters to Notre Dame Academy. We are truly blessed to have each and every one of them as part of our community *Radiating God's Goodness!*

In Notre Dame.

Mr Jack VonHandorf

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Student Life

IMPORTANT SCHEDULE CHANGE PLEASE READ

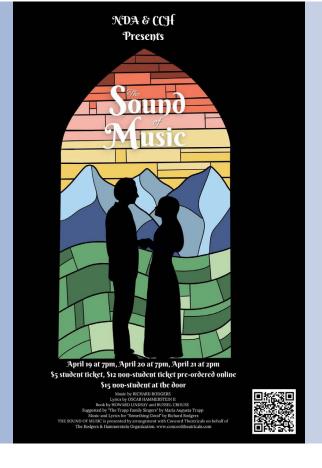
CINCY SHAKES ON CAMPUS

EARLY DISMISSAL 4/15 AND 4/16

On April 15 and 16, the students will have the pleasure of watching a Shakespeare Play, *The Comedy of Errors* when The Cincinnati Shakespeare Company comes to campus for a live performance.

On Monday, April 15, all of our students will go through half of their classes and then the Freshmen and Sophomore classes will watch the play from 12 to approximately 1:15 p.m. when they will be dismissed. The Juniors and Seniors will be dismissed at 11:07 a.m. on Monday.

On Tuesday, April 16, the students will go through the other half of their classes and then the Junior and Senior classes will watch the play from 11:45 a.m. to approximately 1:00 p.m. when they will be dismissed. The Freshmen and Sophomores will be dismissed at 11:16 a.m. on Tuesday.



SOUND OF MUSIC

Friday, April 19 at 7 p.m.
Saturday, April 20 at 7 p.m.
Sunday, April 21 at 2 p.m.

The Sound of Music is a beloved show around the world. Based on the true story of the Von Trapp Family Singers, this musical captures a personal tale of growth and hope amidst the horrors of World War II. The Sound of Music tells the tale of young postulant Maria Rainer, whose free spirit has trouble fitting into the rules and regulations of Nonnberg Abbey. Commissioned by the Mother Abbess to serve as the governess for seven motherless children, Maria transforms the Von Trapp family home from a place of dour rules and regulations to one filled with joy, with laughter, and with music. But as the forces of Nazism take hold of Austria, Maria and the entire von Trapp family must make a moral decision.

CLICK HERE TO PURCHASE TICKETS



APPLY NOW

GRADE LEVEL CO-PRESIDENT ELECTIONS

Grade level co-president elections are right around the corner! Applications for this position for the rising sophomore, junior, and senior class are due on APRIL 12. Elections will take place during homeroom on April 22. If you are interested in running for a grade level president, please stop by room 208 or 303 and pick up an application. You can turn these applications into the front office anytime before April 12.



CONGRATULATIONS

SCHOLASTIC SUCCESS

Congratulations to senior Clara Heberling and juniors Josie Stallard and Emma White for the honors they earned in this year's Scholastic Art and Writing Contest. Clara was awarded three Silver Keys. Josie was awarded a Silver Key and two honorable mentions. And Emma was awarded two Silver Keys and one honorable mention. Excellent work, Pandas!



ORDER TODAY!

LAST FOOD TRUCK DAY OF THE YEAR

Our final food truck day of the year will be on Friday, April 19. **All orders are due on Friday, April 12, at 4 p.m.** NO late orders will be accepted. If you would like to pay cash for your order, please email Ms. Hilbert and Mrs. Kroger before Friday. Use **this link** to place your order



DELICIOUS NEWS

WHAT'S FOR LUNCH?

You can find NDA's lunch menu below and on our website HERE.

Parents, please check your daughter's lunch account balance to avoid overdue account issues. Thank you!



ATTENTION SENIOR PARENTS!

YEARBOOK SENIOR ADS ON SALE!

Attention parents of seniors! You're understandably proud of your daughter. Why not say so in her senior yearbook and help support the NDA yearbook program at the same time? Ads are on sale for the next month and start at just \$75! Just go to **jostens.com** and search Notre Dame Academy to design your ad! Please email **glynnr@ndapandas.org** if you have any questions!



PLEASE NOTE

FAMILY POINT UPDATE

Our Family System competition is in full swing as we work these next few weeks to determine our family champion for this year. St. Joan of Arc is in the lead with St. Hildegard of Bingen not too far behind. Next week we have a food drive for Go Pantry sponsored by the Teen Leadership Club, so there will be a chance for other families to jump into the lead.

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PANDA SPIRIT WEAR!

BAMBOOTIQUE

There are a lot of new arrivals in the Bambootique! Shop at the online Bambootique **HERE**.



LET'S GO CAMPERS!

SUMMER CAMPS AT NDA

NDA offers several summer enrichment programs. Whether you are a computer wizard, budding artist, a musician, a theatre buff, an athlete, a STEM student or you are just looking for something fun to do this summer, Notre Dame Academy has all sorts of opportunities for you! You can find them all **HERE**.

Student of the Month!

www.ndapandas.org

SPOTLIGHT ON SUCCESS

CELEBRATING OUR STUDENTS

We continue to work to celebrate the successes of students with our Student of the Month recognition. Congratulations to our January Student of the Month, Erin Piatt. You can read more about Erin HERE.

Over the course of the next few weeks, we will highlight the students who have been chosen for the past few months.



PLEASE NOTE

ATTENDANCE EMAIL

If your daughter is going to be late, out for the day or if she is leaving early, please contact the office through is **attendance@ndapandas.org** or call the main phone line 859-261-4300.

DEADLINES COMING UP SOON

IMPORTANT FINANCIAL INFORMATION

2024-25 Tuition

Thank you for choosing Notre Dame Academy for your daughter. Your commitment to the value of single gender Catholic education is very much appreciated. We are grateful to have the opportunity to serve your family in this important ministry sponsored by the Sisters of Notre Dame. We understand that paying for a Catholic education can be a significant sacrifice and therefore we are diligent in our efforts to ensure that a Notre Dame Academy education is a worthwhile investment and one that is affordable to each of our families. You can find tuition information for the 2024-2025 academic year HERE. Notre Dame Academy continues to strive for excellence in our financial stewardship and remains sensitive to the financial challenges of our families.

Work Study Job Application Deadline: April 15, 2023

Financial Aid Applications & Academic and Tuition Assistance Scholarships

The application for work study jobs is available on the website <u>HERE</u> and is due by April 15, 2024. When you click on the link, you will be prompted to download your own copy of the form to complete. Completed applications should be emailed to <u>workstudy@ndapandas.org</u>.

Financial aid applications are also now open and will remain open until April 15, 2024.

If you are in need of financial assistance, 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**.

If a family receives financial assistance, a family member is expected to have a work study job. Any family can participate in the Work Study Program without receiving additional financial aid this school year.

We are currently accepting applications for Academic Scholarships. Applications can be found on the website **HERE** and are due in the front office no later than April 15, 2024.

"NO SCHOOL" DATES in 2024-25

August 15	Feast of the Assumption
September 2	Labor Day
October 11 *change from original calendar to match Diocese	PD Day
November 1	All Saints' Day
November 5	Election Day
November 27-29	Thanksgiving Break
December 23 - January 3	Christmas Break
January 20	MLK Day
February 17	Presidents' Day
March 14	PD Day
April 17-25	Spring Break

MARK YOUR CALENDAR

2024-25 CALENDAR NEWS

The academic calendar for next year has been finalized and will be shared with the departments this week. The "No School" calendar is located in the blue table to the left. If you have specific questions, feel free to contact the office staff. After reviewing our calendar with those of our feeder schools and Covington Catholic, we have adjusted our fall PD day to correspond with theirs. Please note the change highlighted in yellow as you plan for next year.

2024 - 2025 - Summer Dates / Back to School Dates

Incoming Freshmen Activities:



Week of July 29 - iPad Orientation

August 6 (morning) - Freshmen Orientation

August 6 (afternoon) - Freshmen Bridge

August 7 (afternoon) - Freshmen Bridge

August 8 (afternoon) - Freshmen Bridge

August 9 (TBD a.m./p.m.) - Freshmen Bridge

First Day of School - August 12 Last Day of School - May 22

Graduation - May 23

IMPORTANT INFORMATION FOR SENIORS

GRADUATION INFORMATION

Attention Seniors and Senior Parents: Fourth quarter is just around the corner which means graduation is nearing! Mark your calendars for the following dates -

- May 6 17 AP Exams (specific schedule to come soon)
- May 14 Academic Signing @ 3:30 p.m. Gym
- May 15 Senior Pancakes Theatre Lot (students only)
- · May 16 Senior Luncheon @ 12:00 p.m. Alumnae Hall, Theater, Auditorium (students only)
- · May 16 Senior Sendoff @ 2:00 p.m. Auditorium (students only)
- May 17 and May 20 Senior Exams
- May 22 Graduation practice at NDA @ 12:30 p.m.
- May 23 Graduation practice at NKYCC @ 8:30 a.m.
- May 23 Baccalaureate Mass at St. Agnes @ 7:00 p.m. (students and families)
- May 24 Senior Breakfast at Receptions in Erlanger @ 8:30 a.m. (students and guardians)
- May 24 Graduation at Northern Kentucky Convention Center @ 4:00 p.m. (ticket amount TBD)

A more <u>detailed information sheet</u> was shared with the students on Monday. You won't want to miss a thing! Seniors will gather during homeroom also in the coming weeks to learn a bit more about graduation.

The Seniors were also asked to complete the following items for Mr. Glynn and the publications class who work on a lot of booklets/projects for Graduation, along with the yearbook. His deadline of before spring break is quickly approaching.

- * Signature (for yearbook) on Notability
- * Perfect NDA day (for yearbook)
- * Baby/toddler picture (sendoff video and yearbook)
- * Favorite NDA memory (for memory book)
- * Favorite prayer (for memory book)
- * Video snippets of the Class of 2024 from freshman year (fall '20-spring '21)

When you have them, your

- * Casual photo (for memory book)
- * College choice or other post-NDA plans (for yearbook, memory book and Class of 2024 Insta) Email info and photos to your Publications student contact, and/or

inyartb24@ndapandas.org glynnr@ndapandas.org

Share freshman year videos collinsk24@ndapandas.org

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Annual Baby Day Invitation to Faculty, Staff, Alums NDA Parents, & Friends

Greetings from the NDA's Psychology Class!

NDA's Psychology Class is once again able to host the annual "Baby Day" activities on **Thursday**, **April 25**, **2024**. This event will be held in Alumnae Hall so that we will have plenty of room to accommodate a larger number of children and so that parents & grandparents will have easier access with no steps involved.

The 40-minute session begins at 10:30 am and will conclude by 11:10 am.

Please contact Michele Johnson at <u>johnsonm@ndapandas.org</u>, if you wish to participate. Please <u>include the name(s) of your child/children and their ages.</u>

Newborns through kindergarten age, are welcome.

This opportunity allows psychology students who have studied child development to put into practice the theories/concepts they have learned. The activities are loads of fun for the children and very educational for the psychology students.

It is necessary that you remain with your child or grandchild unless you are a faculty or staff member at NDA.

Thank you,
The NDA Psychology Class

ATHLETIC DEPARTMENT



HELLO SPORTS FANS

ATHLETIC CALENDAR

Don't miss any of the action with our Panda athletes! **Here** is the calendar for the upcoming week.

FROM THE DESK OF THE

ATHLETIC DIRECTOR



Athletic Signing Day

We want to congratulate Kelsey Weil and Nicolette Cottingham as they have their Athletic Signing Day for their respective sports and Universities on Thursday, April 11 at 3:30 p.m. in the Auditorium. Kelsey Weil is signing to run track for Transylvania University and Nicolette Cottingham is signing with University of Notre Dame for crew! Congratulations to these young ladies!



Archery -

Congratulations to the Archery Pandas for a very successful performance at the Kentucky NASP State Archery Tournament. The team shot 3118 which included 140 tens and were led by Leah Youtsey at 276, Reagan Carman at 274, Ava Boertlein at 273, Clara Morre at 269 and Anna Barczak at 262. 18 Pandas beat their season average: Megan Ahern, Katie Ahern, Anna Barczak, Marisa Bloemer, Reagan Carman, Kara Dugan, Aran Henderson, Morgan Maselli, Caitlin Minning, Clara Moore, Ivy Mullins, Lauren Pence, Bailey Russell, Morgan Russell, Lucy Siegert, Jade Wachs, Lea Youtsey and Mack Zemter. 4 Pandas bested their career high score: Katie Ahern, Anna Barczak, Reagan Carman and Clara Moore. ARCHERY PANDAS ROCK!









Tennis -

The Varsity Tennis Pandas will play St. Henry on Wednesday, April 10 at 4 p.m. at the NDA tennis courts. They also take on Campbell County on Tuesday, April 16 at 4:30 p.m. at NDA and Simon Kenton on Thursday, April 18 at 4 p.m. at NDA. Good luck Varsity Tennis Pandas!



SOFTBALL PANDAS MAKE A DIFFERENCE

CRAIG MILBURN SHOWCASE

Please join us for our first annual Craig Milburn Showcase benefiting

the Multiple Myeloma Research Foundation. Our showcase will take place on Saturday April 13 and all proceeds from the event will go towards finding a cure for Multiple Myeloma. Craig Milburn has been, and continues to, be an asset and inspiration to softball programs throughout Northern Kentucky, and we are thrilled to have him as a part of our team here at Notre Dame Academy. Donate today using this link!



VOTE! VOTE!

VOTE TODAY!

PLAYER OF THE WEEK!

Two of our softball players are up for Player of the Week in Louisville. Please vote **HERE**! Remember to vote from your phones and vote once an hour.

Vote for another Player of the Week - Addison Zinser. She is nominated for the Cincinnati Enquirer Player of the Week. She had two hits, two RBIs, scored three runs and stole a base in a win over Newport. **Vote Here!**



ATTENTION GRADE SCHOOL GIRLS

SOFTBALL GRADE SCHOOL NIGHT!

All grade school girl students are invited to come watch the Notre Dame Pandas take on St. Henry High School at **5:30 p.m. on Wednesday April 17**. The pregame festivities begin at 5:00 p.m. All grade school students get free admission to the game. Raffles of NDA spirit wear will be given out throughout the game. Hope to see you there!

COUNSELING AND STUDENT SERVICES

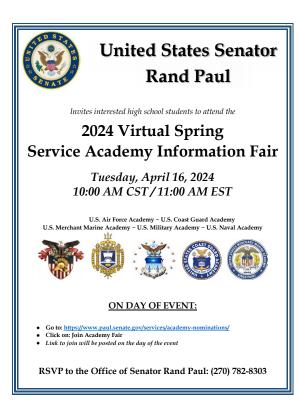




DONATION DRIVE NEXT WEEK!

JOIN TLC IN SUPPORTING GO!PANTRY

Next week, from Monday, April 15 thru Friday, April 19 the Teen Leadership Club (TLC) will be helping GO!Pantry which provides food for kids when they are not in school on the weekends and during longer breaks. TLC is asking the student body to bring in donations of apple sauce cups, fruit cups, pop tarts, popcorn, and meal completes. On Wednesday, April 17, an out of uniform day will be allowed for bringing in one of the above items or \$3. Thank you in advance for helping Go!Pantry.



SERVICE ACADEMY

2024 Virtual Spring Service Academy Information Fair - Tuesday, April 16, 2024 at 11:00 a.m. EST.

ADVANCING THE MISSION



JOIN THE PLANNING COMMITTEE - BE A PART OF THE FUN!

GEARING UP FOR NDA'S 26TH ANNUAL GOLF OUTING

NDA's 26th annual golf outing will be taking place on Friday, June 7 which means we are getting a planning committee together now!

Joining the planning committee is a great way to get involved at NDA, meet other parents, and we just have a lot of fun! We will meet once in January, February, March, April, May and then twice in June leading up to the event. You do not have to attend the outing to help plan!

Sign up for the planning committee **HERE**! If you have any questions, email Myanna Webster at **websterm@ndapandas.org**.

FOR ALUMNAE, PARENTS AND FRIENDS LADIES' GOLF CLINIC

Get ready to tee off with confidence! Join us for a Ladies' Golf Clinic led by our Athletic Director, Janet Carl. Whether you're a beginner looking to learn the basics or a seasoned golfer in need of a refresher, this session is perfect for you. Taking place on April 23 from 6:00 PM to 8:30 PM, it's an ideal opportunity for parents and alumnae to brush up on their skills before the golf season kicks into full swing. Please note that participants must be 21 or older to register. Reserve your spot today!





SHARING OUR

Community News

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

- · Ed Choice Kentucky's School Choice Amendment
- 2023-24 Thomas More Dual-Credit Information Sessions
- Molly Mayer's Studio of Dance

Important dates

April 11 Green Family - wear green shirts/family shirts to celebrate the Feast of St. Gemma Galgani

Alumnae Rosary

Athletic Signing - 4:30 p.m. Auditorium

April 12 Senior Diocesan Mass - Cathedral

April 18 Alumnae Dinner Theatre

April 19 Food Truck Day

April 19-21 Spring Musical - The Sound of Music

April 20 Flag Football (1-5) - Band, Color Guard, Dance Team

April 22 Grade Level President Elections

April 23 Women's Golf Clinic at World of Golf

April 26 Senior Dinner Dance - 7:00 p.m.

April 28 Orange and White Flag Football Game

May 3 May Crowning/ Teacher send off

May 4 Language and Math Placement test for 8th graders

May 5 Band Concert

May 7 AP Exams begin

May 10 Spring Pep Rally

May 15-16 Quilt and Garment Show

May 16 Spring Showcase - Theatre Class, Dance Pandas,

Panda Tones

May 18 Theatre Banquet