



Dear Parents,

This is our final Panda Press Weekly newsletter of the 2022-23 school year. I appreciate you taking the time to read the information that has been presented each week. Communication is a very important component of our partnership in your daughter's Catholic education.

Last Friday at our graduation ceremony, I shared a quote from St. Pope John Paul II that I recently came across at a day of reflection for administrators in the Diocese of Covington. St. Pope John Paul II says, ***"The future is in your hearts and in your hands. God is entrusting you to the task, at once difficult and uplifting, of working with Him in the building of the civilization of love."*** This quote resonated with me because I think it perfectly encapsulates the virtue of *love for the mission*. It reminds us of the immense responsibility and privilege we have been given. Each one of us is entrusted with the task of building a more compassionate, inclusive and loving society. As I told our seniors at their graduation ceremony, embracing this calling with open hearts and open hands, knowing that through our love for the mission, we all have the power to make a real difference. I would like to express my gratitude to our NDA community for all they have done in support of our mission to educate young women to make a difference in the world this school year.

I would also like to congratulate our Class of 2023. As a class, they earned **\$18.8 million dollars in scholarships**. An incredible **60% of them received offers of half tuition or more to the school they are attending in the fall**. Our recent graduates will be attending 34 different colleges, universities and professional schools in 19 different states. They have been well prepared academically and they have been empowered spiritually. I have no doubt that these young women will make a tremendous difference in the world!

I would also like to congratulate Kira Kent on receiving the 2023 NDA Distinguished Graduate Award from the Sisters of Notre Dame. This is a well deserved honor as Kira is certainly an outstanding witness to a Notre Dame Academy education.

As we begin our summer break, we give thanks for the many ways in which God's Goodness and Provident Care have blessed our school this year. While we are all looking forward to the summer break, as a community of lifelong learners rooted in the charism of the Sisters of Notre Dame, we are also excited about the start of our next school year. Please keep an eye on your email throughout the summer months for more information about the 2023-24 school year at NDA. We will have two summer editions of the Panda Press Weekly on July 12 and August 2.

It is clear to me and I hope to each of you that at Notre Dame Academy, we are part of a tradition larger than any one of us, a strong academic tradition of empowering young women to make a difference in the world. Thank you for partnering with us in your daughter's Catholic education at NDA. I look forward to seeing our students in August and I wish you and your family a blessed and safe summer.

In Notre Dame,

Mr. Jack VonHandorf



Congratulations!

CLASS
of
2023



Student Life

Summer Office Hours at NDA

May 30 - June 23 | 9 a.m. - 12 p.m.

June 26 - July 7 | Closed

July 10 - 31 | 9 a.m. - 12 p.m.

August 1 | 7:30 a.m. - 3:30 p.m.



MARK YOUR CALENDAR

GET READY FOR NEXT SCHOOL YEAR

[CLICK HERE](#) to access NDA's Google calendar which is accessible through the school's website. Mark your calendars for the following important dates over the summer and before school begins on Wednesday, August 16, 2023:

June	6	Gently used uniform sale 9 a.m. - 3 p.m.
June	7	Gently used uniform sale 1 p.m. - 5 p.m.
	7	Parent Advisory Thank you reception
	8	Freshman Meet and Greet
July	11	Freshman Service Day
	18	Freshman Parent Meet and Greet
	31	Freshman iPad set up
August		
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	8-11	Bridge Program
	8	Freshman/New Student Orientation Freshman Parent Night
	9	Sophomore/Junior/Senior Parent Night
	16	First Day of School

*Please note that the date for the Freshman Meet and Greet is June 8 not July 8 which was mistakenly listed in last week's PPW.





IMPORTANT INFORMATION

FINALFORMS ACCOUNTS

Get ready for next year by updating or creating your FinalForms accounts. Notre Dame Academy partners with FinalForms, an online forms and data management service which allows you to complete and sign forms for your daughter(s) online. FinalForms saves data from year-to-year, meaning you will never need to enter the same information twice! You may review your data at any time throughout the year to verify that it is current. **All parents and students are expected to use FinalForms and complete their updates for next year by June 1, 2023 (if participating in athletics) or by the first day of school.** If participating in athletics, this will include needing a valid, signed KHSAA physical uploaded in Final Forms before participating in any athletic activities.

If you do not have a FinalForms account, please create one account at: <https://notredameacademy-ky.finalforms.com> and follow the prompts to create the parent account, begin your daughter's account and sign your forms. *Your daughter's NDA gmail should be used when setting up her account.* Once the parent/guardian creates the account, the student will be prompted in her NDA email to submit her forms. Please note: if you have already turned in your daughter's immunization record, you do not need to upload separately. School personnel will upload for you.

If you already have an account for a returning student:

Login to your account and click MY STUDENTS to get started. Make sure you are updating information for the 23-24 school year.

If you have any issues or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact Mrs. Grayson at graysona@ndapandas.org.

DRESS FOR SUCCESS

UNIFORMS FOR THE 2023-24 SCHOOL YEAR

If you need to purchase new uniform pieces for next school year, visit Schoolbelles' website at <http://www.schoolbelles.com/myschool/M37/s1935> to purchase OR stop by our gently used uniform sale on June 6 from 9 a.m. - 3 p.m. and June 7 from 1 p.m. - 5 p.m. at NDA.

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

Notre Dame Academy has a school uniform that consists of:

- 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. **Please note: Skirt should extend below student's fingertips when arms are fully extended at one's side.**
- 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
- nametag/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 sweater vest - new item!
- a navy blue Notre Dame Academy sweatshirt (available for purchase through Schoolbelles and NDA's Bamboo tique)
- 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



CLEANING DAY THANK YOU!

A special shout out and “thank you” to Julie Morano for organizing our annual Cleaning Day and to our faculty, staff and students for lending a hand on this special day. This wonderful tradition not only helps keep our building in excellent condition, it also gives our students some ownership and responsibility in maintaining our school building which is a great life lesson.

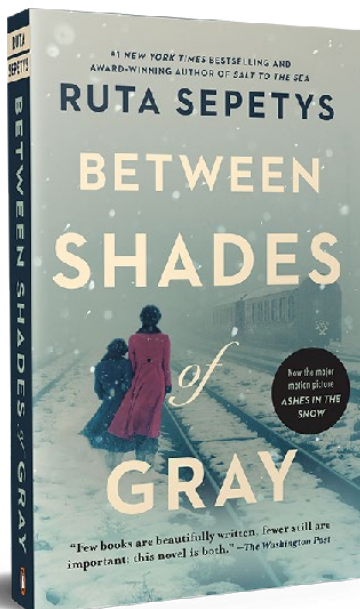


DON'T MISS OUT!

LEARN A BAND INSTRUMENT THIS SUMMER JUST LIKE THESE PANDAS

- **FREE !**
- ANYONE Grades 7 - 12
- NEWER Instruments for you to use (no charge)
- Flexible Tue and Thur 8 - 9 am in June and July @ NDA
- Snacks
- Bring a Friend
- Send me an Email to sign up
- Judgement free zone (Learn at your own pace)

EMAIL Mr. (Sir) Cerimele TODAY to be added to the Summer Learning Band cerimeleg@ndapandas.org



2023-2024

COMMON READER BOOK

Notre Dame Academy has selected next year’s Common Reader book which is *Between Shades of Gray* by Ruta Sepetys. *Between Shades of Gray* tells a story from 1941 where fifteen-year-old Lina Vilkas is arrested by the Soviet secret police and deported to Siberia with her mother and younger brother. The author’s website says Lina is a young woman who fights for her life, vowing that if she survives she will honor her family, and the thousands like hers, by burying her complete story in a jar on Lithuanian soil. Lina’s writings and drawings chronicle her fight for survival, her difficulty accepting help from a Soviet guard she’s supposed to hate, and her struggle to retain faith in mankind amidst the terror. We look forward to bringing this story to all students, faculty and staff at Notre Dame Academy and celebrating the book’s theme when we return next fall.

END OF YEAR SALE

BAMBOOTIQUE

It may be hot outside but but the Bambootique has some cool end of year deals for next winter - check them out online here:

<https://bambootique.ndapandas.org/products/port-authority-core-soft-shell-jacket>

<https://bambootique.ndapandas.org/products/port-authority-packable-puffy>

<https://bambootique.ndapandas.org/products/headbands>

<https://bambootique.ndapandas.org/products/homecoming-beanie>

<https://bambootique.ndapandas.org/products/homecoming-scarf>

<https://bambootique.ndapandas.org/products/nda-beanies-hats>



IMPORTANT REMINDER

PLEASE CHECK YOUR BALANCE

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

Schedule ASAP to get the BEST DEAL!

Prestige Portraits
536 Centre View Blvd
Crestview Hills, KY 41017
Building #20

SCHEDULE NOW!

prestigeportraits.com/studio
(513) 772-2110



START EARLY - SAVE BIG

ATTENTION JUNIORS...

Don't forget to schedule your senior portrait with Prestige Portraits. Remember, all students MUST go to Prestige Portraits for the year-book photo. The sooner you schedule, the better deal you will get. You can schedule a Deluxe Session in June for \$25 or July for \$30. The deadline for your drape portrait is October 12, 2023.

Schedule NOW! -limited appointments available

Create an account
or Log in
Search
Kentucky



SISTERS OF NOTRE DAME

4TH OF JULY FESTIVAL

The Sisters of Notre Dame are busy planning a wonderful celebration for this year's 4th of July Festival. It's hard to believe, but this year marks their festival's 101st year. This festival remains their only fundraising event, and they hope many will come out to enjoy the day with them! You can find more information online [HERE](#).



SISTERS OF NOTRE DAME

FOURTH OF JULY FESTIVAL

FUN, FOOD, DRINKS, GAMES, AND MORE!

TUESDAY, JULY 4, 2023

1:00 - 6:00 P.M.

ATHLETIC DEPARTMENT

IMPORTANT INFORMATION PLEASE READ



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ALL ATHLETE REMINDER

Update your information in Final Forms for the 2023-24 school year so that you can receive pertinent information for your sports and make the appropriate fundraiser selection. You will also need to upload a valid KHSAA physical prior to your sports season in Final Forms. Here is the new [KHSAA physical form](#).

SIGN UP TODAY

SOCCKER CAMP

Boys and Girls welcome - July 11 and 13 at NDA

- [K-4th grade July 11: 6- 8 p.m.](#)
- [5th-8th grade July 13: 6-8 p.m.](#)
- \$35 for each

Check the [NDA website](#) to register



TRACK & FIELD PANDAS

GOOD LUCK AT STATE!

After winning the region last Wednesday at Dixie the track and field Pandas head to State at UK on Saturday, June 3



TRACK & FIELD PANDAS

CONGRATS TENNIS!

Tennis won the Region and represented well down at State with Hailey Fullenkamp and Taylor Meenach playing in the doubles quarter finals today at 3:30 p.m.



HONOR AN ATHLETE

SUPPORT THE NDA GOLF OUTING

Get a life size cutout of your student athlete! This is a great way to honor our Panda athletes and can be used at senior nights, graduation parties and more! Parents can send their daughter's photo to websterm@ndapandas.org.

OrthoCincy[™]
Orthopaedics & Sports Medicine

NOTRE DAME ACADEMY

2023 GOLF OUTING SCRAMBLE

Friday, July 28, 2023-Kenton County Golf Course

Swing Into Action and support NDA Athletics!

18 Hole Outing 8a Shotgun

@ Willows \$125

Fun 9 Hole Social 10:30a Shotgun

@ Pioneer \$90

[Register for Golf Here](#)

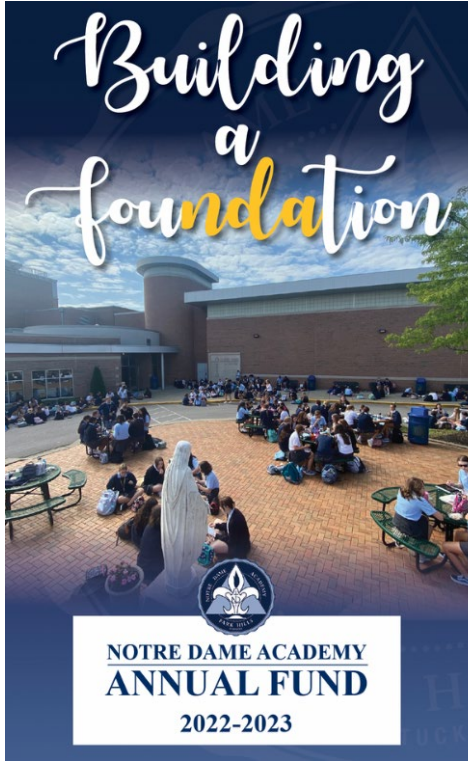
Games, Green Fees, Cart
Auction

Food & Reception

Fun, Festivities and Fundraising!

[Check out sponsorship opportunities here!](#)

ADVANCING THE MISSION



\$385,000

**HELP
US
REACH
OUR
GOAL!**

\$361,330

94%

We need your support!
DONATE before June 30, 2023!

2023-24 ANNUAL FUND

**HELP US REACH
OUR GOAL**

As this school year draws to a close, we ask that you prayerfully consider making a donation to our Annual Fund. Each gift, no matter the size, helps to create a solid foundation for our current students and the generations of students to come! You can donate online [HERE](#).

NOTRE DAME ACADEMY CORPORATE SPONSOR OPPORTUNITIES

	Diamond \$10,000	Platinum \$5,000	Gold \$3,000	Silver \$1,500
Women Making A Difference				
• Banner at event	✓			
• Preferred Seating	✓	✓		
• Logo in Video Scroll	✓	✓	✓	
• Website Recognition	✓	✓	✓	✓
• Program Recognition	✓	✓	✓	✓
• Event Tickets	16	8	6	4
Golf Outing				
• Banner at event	✓			
• Custom Flag	✓	✓	✓	✓
• Name in Program	✓	✓	✓	✓
• Participation	(2) Foursomes of Golf	(1) Foursome of Golf	(1) Twosome of Golf	
Fall Fundraiser: Light the Night for NDA				
• Banner at event	✓			
• Preferred Seating	✓	✓		
• Logo in Video Scroll	✓	✓	✓	
• Website Recognition	✓	✓	✓	✓
• Program Ad	Full Page Ad	Full Page Ad	Half Page Ad	Quarter Page Ad
• Event Tickets	10	4	2	2
Digital Advertising at Sporting Events				
• Gymnasium Scoreboard	✓	✓		
• Outdoor Concession Stand	✓	✓		

COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIP

**Would You Like to Become
a Corporate Sponsor?**

To request a brochure or to get further information about becoming a corporate sponsor for Notre Dame Academy, please contact Denise Bowman, Director of Development, at bowmand@ndapandas.org or 859.292.1849.

Special thanks to our Corporate Sponsors listed [HERE](#). We encourage you to patronize these businesses and organizations.

COMMUNITY



NEWS

SHARING OUR

Community News

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

- NDA Alumnae tell their story as a local immigrant family who left China 50 years ago in pursuit of the American dream
- Duke Energy to host leadership and energy career fair for young women
- SND 4th of July Festival
- Donate to the SND 4th of July Festival
- Intern in SND Mission Advancement Department
- Positions Available for Students and Parents
- and more!

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