



NOTRE DAME ACADEMY

Educating Women to Make a Difference in the World

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THE *nda* LIFE

Dear Panda Families,

It's hard to believe we're just days away from the start of another school year! We can't wait to welcome your daughters back on **Tuesday, August 12** and begin what promises to be another incredible year at Notre Dame Academy.

As we step into the 2025–26 school year, I'm excited to share our school theme for the year: ***Sisters in Mission: Walk Humbly, Serve Boldly, Shine with Grace***. Rooted in the third Educational Principle of the Sisters of Notre Dame, *The Notre Dame Educator as Gospel Witness*, this theme invites us to live more intentionally as disciples of Christ. As a school community, we will explore what it means to walk in humility, act with courage, and let God's light shine through us in all that we do.

I also hope to see many of you at **Parent Information Night TOMORROW, Thursday, August 7!** The evening will begin with a Meet and Greet from 5:30 to 6:15 p.m., followed by our Parent Information Session from 6:15 to 7 p.m., where we'll share school wide goals, policy updates, and exciting plans for the year ahead. If you're a freshman parent, please plan to stay for the Freshman Gift Gathering Party from 7 to 8 p.m.—it's a fun way to meet new families and support our community.

One important update that will be shared during the session is our new Cell Phone Policy. Thank you to the many parents who participated in our roundtable discussions this summer. Your thoughtful input helped shape a policy grounded in care, consistency, and student well-being. This policy will be highlighted at our Parent Information Night, and we will also send information regarding some important handbook updates after the Parent Information Night. Please watch for that email which will be sent to all parents prior to the first day of school.

This week's Panda Press Weekly is full of helpful back-to-school information—from uniforms and parking passes to our new faculty introductions and reminders about FinalForms. Please take time to read through each section so your daughter is ready to start strong.

Thank you for the continued privilege of partnering with you. We are so grateful for your trust as we work together to educate and form young women of faith, character, and leadership.

Walk in Faith,

Mrs. Lisa Ruwe Timmerding '97



Walk in Faith!

Student Life

SISTERS IN MISSION:

Walk Humbly.



Serve Boldly.

Shine with
Grace.

*"Go therefore and make disciples
of all nations!"*

Matthew 28:19

OUR SCHOOL THEME

**SISTERS IN MISSION:
WALK HUMBLY,
SERVE BOLDLY,
SERVE WITH GRACE**

Each year, Notre Dame Academy selects a theme rooted in one of the four Educational Principles of the Sisters of Notre Dame to guide us in faith, learning, and daily life. For the 2024–25 school year, our theme reflects Principle 3: The Notre Dame Educator as Gospel Witness and calls us to live more intentionally as disciples of Christ.

Sisters in Mission: Walk Humbly, Serve Boldly, Shine with Grace

"Go therefore and make disciples of all nations!" – Matthew 28:19

Rooted in the mission of the Sisters of Notre Dame and our commitment to forming women of faith and purpose, this year's theme invites every member of our community to reflect Christ's presence through daily witness:

- **Walk Humbly** – acknowledging our dependence on God and living with gratitude, compassion, and simplicity.
- **Serve Boldly** – answering the call to act with courage, meet the needs of others, and speak up for what is right.
- **Shine with Grace** – allowing God's light to shine through us with kindness, dignity, and joyful leadership.

As students, faculty, staff, parents, and alumnae, we are united as sisters in mission, walking together in faith and purpose. Throughout the year, this theme will be woven into our liturgies, retreats, service projects, classroom experiences, and everyday encounters that make our community so deeply rooted in love and learning.



WELCOME TO THE PANDA FAMILY!

NDA WELCOMES NEW FACULTY

We're thrilled to welcome a group of talented new teachers to Notre Dame Academy for the 2025-26 school year. Each of these educators brings a wealth of experience, passion for their subject area, and a strong commitment to empowering young women through faith-filled, innovative education. Please join us in welcoming the newest members of our NDA faculty family:



Eva Jones — Spanish

Hola! My name is Eva Jones and I am SO excited to be joining the Notre Dame Academy community as a high school Spanish teacher. I am originally from Nashville, Tennessee and relocated to the Cincinnati area in July. I have my Bachelor's degree in Spanish and Education and a Master's degree in Hispanic Studies. I have taught students of all ages (most recently at the college level!) and look forward to bringing this experience to NDA!

I was drawn to Notre Dame Academy because the community reminds me of my own high school. I gained so much knowledge from my teachers there, so I am hoping to have the same impact on the lives of the girls here through my role.

Outside of the classroom, I am always listening to music or reading a good book with my cat, Puffy, beside me. I also enjoy playing golf. Find me inside the classroom this fall teaching Spanish 1 and 2 as well as Dual Credit and AP Spanish Literature. ¡Hasta pronto, Pandas!



Abigail Brueggemeyer — History

Hello there! My name is Abigail Brueggemeyer, and I'm thrilled to be joining Notre Dame Academy as a teacher in the History Department.

I'm originally from the west side of Cincinnati and hold two bachelor's degrees—one in History and one in Anthropology—with a minor in Native American Studies from Northern Kentucky University. Before earning my master's degree in Public History, I worked as an archaeologist with several cultural resource management firms. While I loved the adventure, I transitioned into museum education for a more grounded lifestyle, eventually working as the tour manager at the Holocaust and Humanity Center. It was there, collaborating with teachers and coaches, that I rediscovered my old dream of teaching—channeling a bit of that Indiana Jones spirit into the classroom. After completing my graduate work in Public History, I pursued a career in education, and in my first year of teaching, I completely fell in love with the experience of inspiring young minds.

What drew me to NDA was its mission to empower and inspire young women to make a difference in the world. I'm honored to support that mission and help students not only reach their goals but also embrace their wonderfully unique selves. In my classroom, I strive to make history feel alive and relevant through interactive lessons and meaningful activities.

Outside of teaching, I enjoy a variety of hobbies—playing video games, reading, drawing, and exploring parks, just to name a few.



Laura Schneider — Math Intervention Specialist

Hello! My name is Laura Schneider and I'm excited to be joining the Notre Dame Academy faculty as a math intervention specialist. I am a NDA alumna and earned my degree in Mathematics and Secondary Education from Northern Kentucky University.

In the past, I've taught at Ludlow High School, Newport Central Catholic High School and most recently at the middle school level at St. Joseph School in Crescent Springs. In each of these roles I've learned a lot about myself and about the many learning styles different students have.

Math has always been my favorite subject but it hasn't always come easy to me. I'm looking forward to helping students find confidence in their math abilities and success in their math classes.

My happiest moments are those spent with my husband and three children. We enjoy playing board games, spending time outside and vacations where we can hike and explore new areas.



Angela Lucarelli — French

Hi, my name is Angela Lucarelli and I am a Kentucky native. I grew up in Fort Mitchell and attended St. Pius, Blessed Sacrament and attended and graduated from NDA in 1998.

I attended Northern Kentucky University and majored in French and international studies. I lived and attended University in Montpellier, France for my last semester of undergraduate studies.

I taught French at Beechwood High School for six years and then stayed home for 15 years to raise my two children. I have also taught French to adults at the French Alliance of Cincinnati.

I'm so excited to be teaching French levels one through four as well as Advanced Placement French at Notre Dame Academy.

Notre Dame Academy is a very special place and I have such good memories. I am still close with my friends from Notre Dame, and this is where I learned to love French and why I became a teacher. I ran both cross country and track at Notre Dame as well and I'm so happy that my daughter, Mila, will be attending NDA and is running cross country! I'm honored to have the opportunity to pass on my love for both Notre Dame and French to future generations.

I live in Fort Mitchell with my husband and two children, George and Mila and our dog Daisy. My mom is from Italy, so I love all things Italian and French! I love cooking, coffee, and spending time with my family and friends!



Mary Beth Bement — English

Hello everyone! I'm excited to introduce myself and share a little bit about what brought me to Notre Dame Academy.

My name is Mary Bement, and I come to Notre Dame Academy with a strong educational background and a love for literature. I hold a bachelor's degree in English and a Master of Arts in Teaching. I'm also a Kentucky-certified teacher, licensed in both English and as a Classroom Reading Specialist.

What drew me to Notre Dame Academy was its outstanding reputation for excellence and its inspiring belief in the potential of young women. It is an honor to be part of a community that empowers students with a strong faith foundation, along with the skills they need to achieve their goals.

When I'm not in the classroom, I'm a busy mom to three wonderful children. In my free time, you can often find me with my nose in a book, working on my writing, exploring the outdoors on a hike, or simply enjoying quality time with my family. I'm looking forward to a fantastic school year and getting to know all of you!

JOIN US
Thursday, August 7

Meet and Greet
5:30-6:15 p.m.

Parent Information
Session
6:15-7:00 p.m.

Freshman Gift
Gathering Party
7:00-8:00 p.m.

JOIN US TOMORROW, AUGUST 7

PARENT INFORMATION NIGHT

We hope you'll join us for **Notre Dame Academy's Parent Information Night TOMORROW, August 7**. This annual gathering is a wonderful way to connect with other parents, meet new faculty and staff, and learn more about the year ahead.

Unlike past years, we will host just one session for parents of students in all grade levels. The evening will begin with a Meet and Greet from 5:30 to 6:15 p.m., featuring light appetizers and the chance to connect with our new president.

The Parent Information Session will follow from 6:15 to 7 p.m., where we will highlight goals for the year, review key policies and share important updates about the upcoming school year.

Finally, from 7 to 8 p.m., freshman parents are invited to stay for our Freshman Gift Gathering Party—a fun opportunity to meet other new families while supporting NDA!

We look forward to seeing you there and starting the year together as a united NDA community!



NEW CELL PHONE POLICY

TO BE SHARED AT PARENT NIGHT

Notre Dame Academy is finalizing updates to its cell phone policy, which will be introduced tomorrow at Parent Information Night. This important initiative is rooted in our mission to create an environment that prioritizes student focus, wellness, and formation.

This past school year, we shared insights from *The Anxious Generation* by Jonathan Haidt—a powerful exploration of how smart phones and social media affect student mental health. Haidt's message was clear: reducing students' screen time is critical to their emotional well-being and academic success.

Currently, NDA's policy requires students to keep phones off and put away from 8 a.m. to 3 p.m., but we recognize that enforcement can be inconsistent and that a more structured approach is needed. This summer, we invited parents, faculty, and staff to two roundtable sessions to offer feedback and explore solutions. We are deeply grateful to all who contributed to these thoughtful conversations.

The updated policy will be presented this week, and we look forward to working together to ensure it is implemented with care, consistency, and the shared goal of helping students thrive—both in the classroom and beyond.

NDA INTRODUCES PARENT CODE OF CONDUCT

A SHARED COMMITMENT TO MISSION, PARTNERSHIP AND RESPECT



As we begin a new school year, Notre Dame Academy is introducing a Parent Code of Conduct designed to strengthen the vital partnership between home and school. Rooted in our mission to educate young women to make a difference in the world, the Code outlines shared expectations, clear communication practices and a collaborative approach to supporting our students.

The Code highlights NDA's commitment to treating every student with respect and care, while also asking parents and guardians to uphold values and boundaries that foster a safe, mission-centered community. It includes steps for problem solving, guidelines for athletics and activities, and a shared language for navigating challenges with grace and integrity.

Parents will sign the Parent Code of Conduct through Final Forms as part of the back-to-school process. By working together, we can ensure that every Panda thrives academically, spiritually and personally.

We are grateful for your continued trust and support as we form young women of faith, character and leadership.

DRESS FOR SUCCESS

UNIFORMS FOR THE 2025-26 SCHOOL YEAR

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 be the proper size and length, 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
- 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 sweater vest
- 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 that are close fitting and tapered at the ankle
- black dress slacks for designated events



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.



NOTRE DAME ACADEMY
Bambootique

NDA BAMBOOTIQUE

PANDA SPIRIT WEAR

Show your Panda pride and support your favorite fall sports teams with an official team T-shirt! Each shirt is just \$10 and available while supplies last. Don't miss your chance to rep your team in style this season! Shop online [HERE](#).

IMPORTANT INFORMATION

FINALFORMS ACCOUNTS

FinalForms Updates Needed for the 25-26 School Year

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 July 5, 2025 (if participating in athletics) or by the first day of school. FinalForms is active now and if support is needed, please contact the school or office.

Students who want to participate in athletics must upload a valid, signed KH-SAA physical form in Final Forms before participating in any athletic activities, including conditioning workouts, open gyms and tryouts for all sports. The KHSAA physical form can be found [HERE](#). 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 must 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 it separately. School personnel will upload it for you.

If a NDA student is struggling to login, click on the button "Login with Google." The username and password should then be recognized.

If you already have an account for a current NDA student and need to add another daughter: Login to your account and click MY STUDENTS to add another student to your account and make any updates for your returning student. Make sure you are updating information for the 25-26 school year. If you have any issues or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact Mrs. Lisa Timmerding at timmerdingl@ndapandas.org.

FINALFORMS



RE-BRANDED!

Notre Dame Academy's

PANDA Parent Club

The Panda Parent Club (PPC) is Notre Dame Academy's parent engagement initiative—and it's growing! Whether you're looking to lend a hand, make new friends, or help shape beloved NDA traditions, PPC is your place to get involved!

This year's PPC will include:

Volunteer Opportunities: Cafeteria, Bambootique, event support, and more

Grade-Level Sponsored Events

Key Event Planning: Mother/Daughter, Father/Daughter, After Prom Socials

Quarterly Speakers & Parent Programs

First PPC Meeting of 2025–2026

TOMORROW! August 7 | Parent Night

Come meet other parents and learn how you can get involved!

Watch for more information in upcoming editions of
the PaNDA Press!

NUMWORKS CALCULATOR REQUIRED FOR 2025–2026 MATH COURSES

Dear NDA Community,

In wrapping up the current 2024-2025 school year, the math department at Notre Dame Academy has also been reviewing our students' supplies list in preparation for next school year. You may recall that we highly encouraged the purchase of a NumWorks calculator in early August of last year, and we have found this device to be extremely beneficial for our students and their learning. With that being said, we wanted to communicate as early as possible to our families that **all students will be expected to have a NumWorks calculator for their math classes in the 2025-2026 academic year.**

For those who may be unfamiliar with NumWorks, it is a more modern and intuitive graphing calculator developed in collaboration with teachers and designed with today's students in mind. Inspired by the electronic devices that students use daily, this calculator's app-based design empowers them to explore and discover mathematics on their own. NDA's math department believes that equipping our students with this device will allow us to make math education accessible and approachable for all students.

The NumWorks graphing calculator is included on the list of permitted calculators for all College Board tests (PSAT, SAT, and AP) and it also meets the requirements for the ACT calculator policy. You can read more about exam compliance at <https://www.numworks.com/calculator/exams/>.

The NumWorks graphing calculator (intended to replace the TI-84) costs \$99, but there is also a FREE app version of the calculator for all phones, iPads, and laptops. The NDA math department was able to generate a discount code for any NDA students interested in purchasing this calculator at a discounted rate. More information about the NumWorks graphing calculator can be found at <https://www.numworks.com/>. We encourage you or your daughter to explore this option in preparation for the upcoming academic year.

Below is a 10% discount link that allows you to purchase a NumWorks graphing calculator for \$89.99 instead of the typical retail price of \$99.99. Please note that this link will expire on July 31st. All calculators purchased through this discount link will be shipped directly to school where students will receive their new calculators in their math classes.

https://my.numworks.com/group_orders/xb4ew3

Please do not hesitate to reach out if you have any questions or concerns. We hope everyone has a wonderful, relaxing summer!

Thank you,

Leslie Litmer

NDA Math Department Chair

litmerl@ndapandas.org



NEON NIGHTS!

FRESHMAN MIXER SET FOR AUGUST 14

Hey, Class of 2029—your first NDA event is almost here, and it's going to be a night to remember!

Student Council is hosting Neon Nights, the Freshman Mixer, on Thursday, August 14 from 7 to 10 p.m. There'll be music, dancing, snacks and plenty of glow-in-the-dark fun. Wear your brightest neon and come ready to meet new friends and make memories.

Tickets are just \$5 at the door, and all proceeds benefit the Notre Dame Urban Education Center—so you'll be having fun while supporting a great cause.

And the best part? No school on Friday, August 15 thanks to the Feast of the Assumption.

Let's glow Pandas!



PLEASE NOTE:

2023 - 2024 YEARBOOK UPDATE

The 2023-2024 yearbooks are due to be finalized and delivered shortly after we return to school in August. We will provide more information once we know of an exact date. Please accept our apologies for the delay. There were some issues with printing which were out of our control.

Thank you for understanding!



SENIOR PORTRAIT TIME! SCHEDULE EARLY AND SAVE PRESTIGE PORTRAITS NOW BOOKING FOR CLASS OF 2026

Parents of seniors: Prestige Portraits in Crestview Hills is again NDA's photographer for official senior portraits. Please try to schedule a portrait session with them at your earliest convenience; we would like to have the entire senior class photographed by October.

Seniors will be photographed in the traditional black drape, which the studio will provide, for the official portrait. Families may choose additional outfits/poses if they like

To schedule your session or for more information, visit:

<https://local.prestigeportraits.com/ky/crestview-hills/536-centre-view-blvd-.html>

or call 513-772-2110. Prestige offers photo support 10-6 Monday through Thursday and 10-2 on Fridays, and is closed weekends.

MARK YOUR CALENDAR

2025-26 CALENDAR NEWS

The academic calendar for next year is being finalized and will be shared with the departments this week. The academic calendar for next year is being finalized and will be shared with the departments this week. The “No School” calendar is located in the blue table below. If you have specific questions, feel free to contact the office staff.



Important Dates for 2025-26!

2025 - 2026 - Summer Dates / Back to School Dates

Week of July 28 - iPad	Orientation for Incoming Freshmen
August 4 (morning) -	Freshmen Bridge
August 5 (morning) -	Freshmen Bridge
August 6 (morning) -	Freshmen Bridge
August 7 (morning) -	Freshmen Bridge
August 7 (evening) -	Parent Information Night (all grade levels)
August 8 (9-12:00) -	Freshmen Orientation

NEW EVENT! SAVE THE DATE!

Class of 2029 PaNDAs! Mark your calendar for the afternoon of Friday, August 8 for the Class of 2029 PaNDA FunFest! This event (that is just for our incoming freshmen) will begin immediately after Freshman Orientation and will start with lunch (provided by NDA), followed by an afternoon of fun, games, and entertainment! This will be a GREAT chance to get to know your classmates better and celebrate the Class of 2029! More details will follow as we finalize the schedule this summer. Stay tuned!

August 12	First Day of School
January 5	School Resumes (after Christmas)
April 13	School Resumes (after Spring Break)
May 22	Last Day of School
May 22	Graduation

No School Dates 2025-2026

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August 15 Feast of Assumption
September 1 Labor Day
October 9 PD Day - PD for Faculty
October 10 PD Day
November 26 PD Day
November 27 Thanksgiving Break
November 28 Thanksgiving Break
December 8 Immaculate Conception
December 22 Christmas Break
January 19 Martin Luther King, Jr. Day
February 16 Presidents' Day
March 13 PD Day
April 2 - April 12 Easter Break

ATTENTION JUNIORS AND SENIORS

PARKING PASSES



Parking passes for the 2024–25 school year will be available for purchase this week. A link to the online form will be sent to students by email on the following schedule:

Seniors: Monday, August 4, at 9 a.m.

Juniors: Tuesday, August 5, at 9 a.m.

Sophomores and freshmen: Wednesday, August 6, at 9 a.m.

All students are eligible for a parking pass upon receiving their full license. This is not limited to juniors and seniors. The cost is \$50 for the year. To complete the form, students must upload a photo of a valid driver's license before submitting.

A separate Carpool Permission Form will be sent Thursday, August 7. Parents should complete and sign this form if their daughter will regularly leave campus with a junior or senior. Because students are dismissed by grade level for safety and efficiency, this form gives us permission to allow your daughter to leave before her scheduled dismissal time.



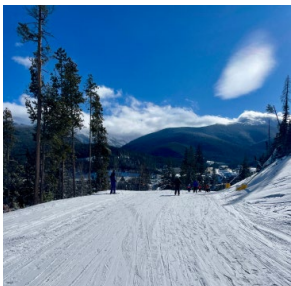
SING WITH THE PANDA TONES

INFORMATIONAL MEETING

Are you interested in joining choir at Notre Dame Academy? All students are invited to join the Panda Tones!

All returning and new members should attend the choir's brief informational meeting on Tuesday, August 20, in the choral room at 3:00 after announcements. We will discuss class expectations, songs, and important dates.

Please email Mrs. Chandler (chandlerk@ndapandas.org) if you have additional questions.



REGISTRATION NOW OPEN!

ANNUAL SKI TRIP



Registration is now open for NDA's 5th Annual Ski Trip to Winter Park, Colorado (January 15-19)! Fill out the form [HERE](#) to save your spot!! Registration is first come, first serve and will be open until August 30th or until all spots have been filled. The trip will be chaperoned by NDA faculty and staff. Email Ms. Dooling at doolingm@ndapandas.org with any questions.



LIGHT THE NIGHT FOR NDA!

SAVE THE DATE

Save the Date! Notre Dame Academy's Light the Night for NDA is set for October 4 from 6 p.m.–10 p.m. at The Madison Event Center. This unforgettable evening is our largest fundraiser of the year, supporting the students and mission of NDA. Mark your calendars. If you want to get involved or help support please reach out to Myanna Webster at websterm@ndapandas.org or one of our chairs, Tracy Stacy, Laura Mauller or Heather Ramsey.

ATTENTION INCOMING FRESHMAN PARENTS!

FRESHMAN PARENT GIFT GATHERING - TOMORROW NIGHT!

Freshman parents, we're rolling out the red carpet for you! After Parent Information Night on TOMORROW, August 7, please join us for the **Freshman Gift Gathering Party from 7 to 8 p.m.** This lively event is the perfect way to meet other new families, enjoy refreshments, and learn more about how you can support Notre Dame Academy in the year ahead. It's a fun, relaxed way to start building lasting connections within the NDA community—all while helping to ensure an amazing experience for your daughter and her classmates. We can't wait to welcome you and celebrate this exciting new chapter together!



You're invited to the

Freshmen Parent Gift Gathering Party

08.07.25 | 7:00-8:00 PM | The CLC at Notre Dame Academy
(Directly following Parent Night)

All items donated benefit Notre Dame Academy's Fundraiser Light the Night for NDA, Presented by Performance Lexus Northern Kentucky. We would love for freshmen families to bring in gift cards and any of the items below are especially valuable.



Gift cards to local restaurants to be used in auction baskets or gift card pull



Rare bourbon



Entertainment / Sports Tickets



Contribute to larger gift card raffle with a cash / Venmo donation

MARK YOUR CALENDARS!

SOPHOMORE, JUNIOR, & SENIOR PARENT GIFT GATHERING

Sophomore, junior, and senior parents are invited to the Gift Gathering Party on Thursday, August 28, from 6:30 to 8 p.m. at Performance Lexus (709 Wright's Summit Parkway, Fort Wright).

This fun and casual evening is a wonderful opportunity to connect with other NDA families while supporting our school community. Bring along a gift card, rare bourbon, entertainment or sports tickets, or make a cash/Venmo donation to help build amazing auction baskets and prizes for our upcoming events.

Your generosity makes a big difference, and we can't wait to enjoy a great night together with refreshments, laughter, and Panda spirit!



You're invited to the

Sophomore, Junior, & Senior Parent Gift Gathering Party

**08.28.25 | 6:30-8:00 PM | Performance Lexus
709 Wright's Summit Pkwy, Fort Wright, KY 41011**



Gift cards to local
restaurants to be
used in auction
baskets or gift
card pull



Rare
bourbon



Entertainment /
Sports Tickets



Contribute to
larger gift card
raffle with a cash /
Venmo donation

FINE ARTS

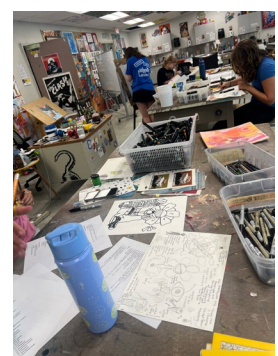
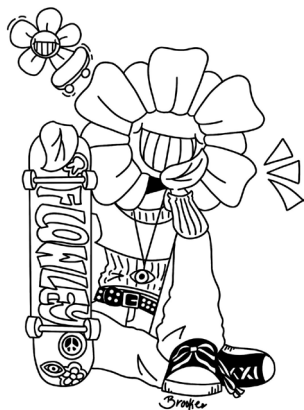
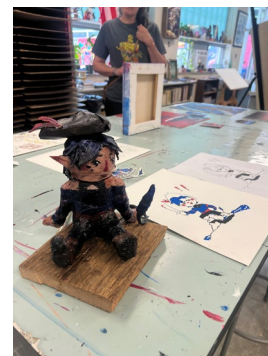
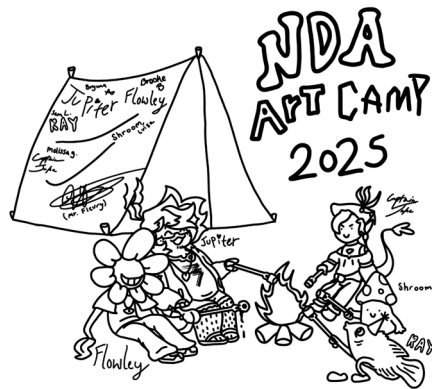
WORLDS OF WONDER

STUDENTS BUILD IMAGINARY UNIVERSES AT NDA ART CAMP

This summer, the Notre Dame Academy art room was transformed into a vibrant creative universe as students embarked on a journey of imagination and self-expression at our art camp. The theme of the camp centered around “creating our own worlds,” and through the exciting process of character design, our students brought incredible stories and ideas to life. From the first pencil sketch to the final brush stroke, every girl had the opportunity to dive deep into her imagination and build something entirely unique.

Campers explored a variety of artistic techniques and mediums, including drawing, painting, sculpture, and even screen printing. They developed original characters and supported them with mood boards, expressive portraits, and immersive large-scale paintings with dynamic compositions. 3D models gave form to their ideas, and custom screen-printed t-shirts let them wear their creativity proudly. The room was alive with characters like smiling flowers, floating eyes, pirate explorers, a teenage girl discovering a mushroom kingdom, planetary beings, a star child, and even a whimsical walking fish.

Each student’s world grew day by day, turning stories and sketches into something tangible and real. It was inspiring to watch these young artists push themselves creatively, take risks, and discover new artistic strengths. The experience offered them not only technical growth but also the freedom to explore and express their unique voices. This summer’s art camp was truly a magical time where imagination knew no bounds — and the worlds they created now live on, walking amongst us.



ATHLETIC DEPARTMENT



MARK YOUR CALENDARS FOR FALL SPORTS!

GET READY TO CHEER ON PANDA SOCCER AND VOLLEYBALL

It's game time, Pandas! Our Soccer and Volleyball teams are gearing up for exciting fall seasons, and we can't wait to see our community fill the stands in support of our student-athletes.

Now is the time to mark your calendars with all of the big match-ups! You'll find the full schedules below, so you won't miss a moment of the action. Both teams have been working hard all summer, and we're looking forward to seeing their dedication, teamwork, and Panda pride shine on the field and the court.

Bring your energy, wear your blue and gold, and join us in cheering on our Pandas all season long!

Go Pandas!

IMPORTANT UPDATE FOR PANDA FANS!

2025-26 ATHLETIC EVENT TICKETS

NDA fans, it's time to gear up for another exciting year of Panda athletics!

Our 2025-2026 annual athletic passes and fall sports passes are now available for purchase. **Please note that all tickets must be purchased online in advance. There will be no cash or credit card sales at the gate for any home games.**

To ensure a smooth experience at the gate, we strongly encourage everyone to create an account and purchase tickets ahead of time using our HomeTown Ticketing box office link:

<https://events.hometownticketing.com/boxoffice/ndapandas/entity/schools/1>

A QR code will also be available at the gate for convenience (and is shown below), but buying in advance is the best way to avoid delays.

If you have any questions, please contact NDA Athletic Director Janet Carl at carlj@ndapandas.org.

Let's go, Pandas!



NOTRE DAME ACADEMY VOLLEYBALL SCHEDULE 2025			
Date:	Opponent:	Location:	Time:
8/13	Mount Notre Dame (Scrimmage)	MND	5:00 - 8:00
8/18	Conner	Conner	5:00/6:00/7:00
8/20	Highlands	NDA	5:00/6:00/7:00
8/23	JV/FR-Round Robin	Ryle	TBD
8/25	JV/FR-St. Henry	NDA	5:30/6:30
8/26	Cooper	Cooper	5:00/6:00/7:00
8/28-8/30	V-Nike Tournament of Champions	Gainesville, FL	TBD
9/3	Mercy	NDA	5:30/6:30/7:30
9/4	St. Ursula	St. Ursula	4:30/5:30/6:30
9/6	Roger Bacon	NDA	10:00/11:00/12:00
9/9	Simon Kenton	Simon Kenton	5:00/6:00/7:00
9/10	Sacred Heart	Sacred Heart	5:30/6:30/7:30
9/16	Dixie Heights	Dixie Heights	5:00/6:00/7:00
9/17	Beechwood	Beechwood	5:00/6:00/7:00
9/20	FR-LIVT Tournament	Louisville, KY	TBD
9/23	Holy Cross	Holy Cross	5:30/6:30/7:30
9/24	V-Campbell County	NDA	6:00
9/25	North Oldham	NDA	5:00/6:30/7:30
9/29	CHCA	CHCA	5:00/6:00/7:00
10/1	Holmes	TBD	TBD
10/2	V-Marist	Marist	6:00 (Central Time)
10/3-10/4	V-ASICS Challenge	Chicago, IL	TBD
10/8	Ryle (Senior Night)	NDA	5:00/6:00/7:00
10/9	Ursuline Academy	Ursuline	5:00/6:00/7:00
10/11	St. Henry-Playing for a Purpose	TMU	4:30/6:00/7:30
10/14	Assumption	Assumption	5:30/6:30/7:30
10/18	JV-LIVT	Louisville, KY	TBD

Important dates

August 7	College Application Workshop (3:15-4:30 p.m.)
	Meet and Greet with President and Principal
	Parent Welcome Back Night for all grade levels
	Light the Night for NDA Freshmen Gift Gathering Party
August 8	Freshmen Orientation
August 12	First Day of School
August 14	College Application Workshop (3:15-4:30 p.m.)
August 14	Opening School Mass
August 15	No School - Feast of the Assumption
August 14	College Application Workshop (7:30-8:45))
August 21	Alumnae Rosary
August 28	Light the Night for NDA Sophomore - Senior Gift Gathering Party
September 1	No School - Labor Day
September 4	Picture Day
September 9, 11	Feeder School Shadow Day
September 17	Donor Scholarship Breakfast
September 18	Alumnae Rosary
September 23, 15	Feeder School Shadow Day