



NOTRE DAME ACADEMY

*Educating Women to Make a Difference in the World*

# Panda Press Weekly

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THE *nda* LIFE

## Dear Parents,

Our NDA community continues *Radiating God's Goodness* as we begin the second quarter of the school year. Our students work very hard in the classroom and in doing so, they come to realize the amazing gifts with which God has blessed them. It is wonderful to partner with you in your daughter's Catholic education as she is inspired to share her God-given talents with the world.

Our students are also working very hard outside of the classroom and as a result, we have a great deal of activity happening at NDA this fall. Many of our student athletes who participate in fall sports are in the midst of their postseason competitions. A full update on our athletic events can be found below. Additionally, our theatre students are hard at work preparing for their upcoming fall play. More details about their production are provided below. I encourage you to set aside some time this weekend to support our Pandas, whether at a sporting event or the play. These students put in tremendous effort outside of the classroom and your support means the world to them.

If you know a young woman who is ready to make a difference in the world, please encourage her and her family to join us for this year's Open House at NDA. This important admissions event is scheduled for Sunday, November 5 from 1 - 3 p.m. Also, please help us spread the word by putting a yard sign at your home and/or place of business. Yard signs are available in the school office. You can pick one up during school hours, have your daughter bring one home or grab one as you drive through the car line at drop off or pick up. Mr. Lonnemann will be happy to deliver the sign to your car.

Thank you for your continued support and commitment to the mission of Notre Dame Academy!

In Notre Dame,

Mr. Jack VonHandorf



Have a great day and make good choices!

# ADVANCING THE MISSION



**Special Thanks to  
Our Signature  
Cocktail Sponsors:  
Behle Street by  
Sheli  
&  
Walt's Hitching  
Post**

Notre Dame Academy invites you to join us for a special evening including:

Cocktail Reception | Open bar | Sit-down  
Dinner | Live Auction | Silent Auction | The  
Golden Opportunity Raffle | Specialty  
Raffles

All proceeds help to provide excellence in Catholic education at an affordable price at Notre Dame Academy.

[CLICK HERE FOR TICKETS](#)

\*Dressy Casual Attire

Get Your Early Bird Tickets by:  
October 27

## GOLDEN OPPORTUNITY RAFFLE

## GET YOUR NDA TUITION COVERED FOR NEXT SCHOOL YEAR!

Consider supporting NDA's largest fundraiser, Light the Night for NDA by purchasing a chance to win Tuition for the 2024-25 school year or \$10,000! Tickets can be purchased online or at the Advancement Office from 8:00 a.m - 3:30 p.m. An out of uniform pass will be given to any student who sells 4 or more tickets. Additionally, the school family (St. Rose of Lima, St. Hildegard of Bingen, St. Joan of Arc, St. Gemma Galgani) with the highest percentage of participation at the end of October will earn 150 family points! If you would like more details or have questions regarding the Golden Opportunity Raffle or Light the Night for NDA feel free to contact Denise Bowman at [bowmand@ndapandas.org](mailto:bowmand@ndapandas.org).

LIGHT THE NIGHT FOR NDA 2023

# GOLDEN OPPORTUNITY RAFFLE!

**1 LUCKY WINNER**

WILL BE CHOSEN AT LIGHT THE NIGHT FOR NDA ON 11.11.23

WINNER GETS CHOICE OF EITHER

CASH PRIZE OF <b>\$10,000</b>	OR	ONE YEAR OF TUITION AT NDA <small>UP TO \$10,000 FOR THE 2024-25 SCHOOL YEAR TUITION IS TRANSFERABLE</small>
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**\$25** PER TICKET

[Click Here to Purchase Tickets](#)

Must be 18 years old to win / Winner need not be present to win / All proceeds support tuition assistance programs at NDA, K-12 Gaming License #: 08624055

# Student Life

SAY CHEESE



SAY CHEESE!

## PICTURE RETAKE DAY

Picture Retake Day is scheduled for this Friday, October 20.



SPOOKY NEWS!

## FRESHMEN HALLOWEEN DANCE

The CCH freshmen hosted a dance on Saturday, October 14. Over 100 of our freshmen girls enjoyed a night of dancing, snacks and a costume contest. It was a great time and the students seemed to enjoy themselves. Thank you to Mr. Barczak for his work on this event and thanks to the students for attending!



YES WE CAN!

## MAKING A DIFFERENCE

Beginning on November 2, the NDA community will be competing against the St. Henry District High School community for a canned food drive. The drive will run from November 2 until November 17. There will be more information to come including dates for sweat-pants days (under uniform skirts) along with a dress down day. This will also be a part of an NDA Family Competition where the winning family will be awarded family points. Watch for more information!

## OPEN HOUSE



**NOTRE DAME  
ACADEMY**  
Park Hills, KY

**NOV. 5 1-3 PM**  
[ndapandas.org](http://ndapandas.org)

HELP US SPREAD THE WORD!

## OPEN HOUSE YARD SIGNS

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## PANDAS SUPPORTING PANDAS

# FRESHMEN AND SOPHOMORE SNACK TIME

On Monday the freshmen students enjoyed a little bit of social time and some mentoring from a sophomore student. The students were placed into random groups with a sophomore group leader. The leader asked them questions about their experience so far at NDA. The girls also enjoyed a special snack during this time while getting to know new friends and express their thoughts on the year so far. The leaders will communicate the responses of the students to administration so their feedback can be heard beyond just shared at their tables.

**VOTE!**  
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## GREAT NEWS TO SHARE!

# PLAYER OF THE WEEK

Due to your diligent voting last week....

We had 3 winners for player of the week! Notre Dame Academy Soccer - Team of the Week, Ella Long - Soccer player of the week, and Ava Tilden - Volleyball player of the week.

This week we only have one person in the running but the link is below. Thank you!

Hannah Knapke - <https://www.cincinnati.com/story/sports/high-school/high-school-sports/2023/10/16/cincinnati-enquirer-high-school-athlete-of-the-week-oct-16/71207080007/>

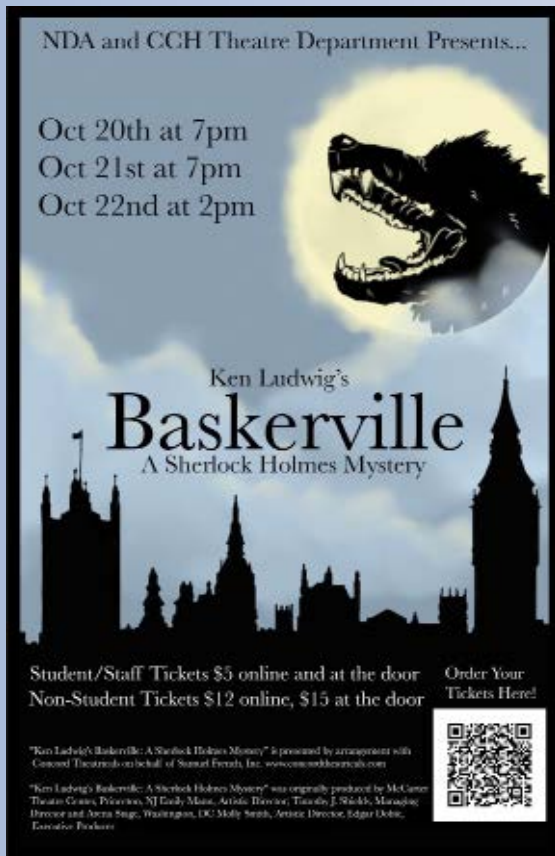


## PANDA GEAR

# BAMBOOTIQUE

The Bambootique is offering 20% off your entire order for its State Bound Soccer Team Sale! Shop online [HERE](#).

ALSO, we are looking for volunteers for the Bambootique. If you can help out, please sign up [HERE](#).



NDA & CCH PRESENT...

## BASKERVILLE: A SHERLOCK HOLMES MYSTERY

Don't miss this year's fall play!

This classic Sherlock Holmes story of the Hound of the Baskervilles comes to life on stage with over 35 characters, including your favorites Sherlock Holmes and Watson! The detective duo takes on the case of murder by ghost hound. The death leaves a large estate and inheritance to a man who hopes to avoid the family curse and the same fate as his predecessor. Will he survive? Will Holmes and Watson solve the case before it's too late? Who will be the next victim of the Hound of the Baskervilles? Buy your ticket for this dramatic comedy today!

Showtimes:

October 20 at 7 p.m.

October 21 at 7 p.m.

October 22 at 2 p.m.

**Purchase tickets online [HERE](#).**

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](mailto:attendance@ndapandas.org) or call the main phone line 859-261-4300.

PLEASE NOTE!  
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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 throughout the school year to avoid overdue account issues. Thank you!

# 2023 Mother Daughter Dance

## A NIGHT ON THE RED CARPET!



### LIGHTS! CAMERA! ACTION!

## ANNUAL MOTHER DAUGHTER DANCE

NDA's 2023 Mother Daughter Dance is just around the corner, and it's a night you won't want to miss! This year we're rolling out the red carpet and inviting you to join the glitz and glamour on Friday, November 10 from 7-11 p.m. right here at NDA.

Who will be gracing the red carpet this year? Will your favorite celebrities make an appearance? Be sure to get your paparazzi poses ready!

Tickets are only \$25 per person, so grab yours before they're gone. Secure your spot on the red carpet by Friday, November 3.

What's in store for this star-studded evening?

- Delicious appetizers
- Indulgent dessert and candy bar
- A chance to shine in our costume contest
- Capture the memories at our photo booth
- Dance the night away with our talented DJ

It's going to be a night of glitz, glam, fun and unforgettable moments. So, mark your calendar and get ready to shine at the 2023 Mother Daughter Dance!

**[PURCHASE YOUR TICKETS HERE](#)**



**Information Session:  
Tuesday, October 24  
6:30 pm - 7:15 pm  
In Alumnae Hall**



### INTERNATIONAL TRIP OPPORTUNITIES

## 2025 TRIPS TO PORTUGAL OR ITALY!

**See the meeting details and register for the meeting [HERE](#).**

Those who register for and attend the meeting will be eligible to receive a \$200 tour discount and be eligible for Risk-Free Enrollment if they enroll on one of the tours!

As a reminder for those with questions about this opportunity: all questions will be answered at the meeting. Registration for the meeting is mandatory, so do not wait.

Looking forward to seeing you all there!  
Meghan Dooling & Elizabeth Barnes

# ATHLETIC DEPARTMENT



## WINTER SPORTS

### PANDATHLETICS

Our Winter Sports: Basketball, Archery, Bowling and Swim and Diving have started their practices and their season will begin shortly!



## HELLO SPORTS FANS

### ATHLETIC CALENDAR

Don't miss any of the action with our Panda athletes! [Here](#) is the calendar for the upcoming week.



## DISTRICTS

### VOLLEYBALL UPDATE

Volleyball headed into the postseason winning the first round of Districts yesterday at Holy Cross playing against Holmes. The district finals are to be played Thursday 7:00 p.m. at Holy Cross where NDA will play Beechwood.



## POSTSEASON UPDATE

### CROSS COUNTRY NEWS

Cross Country will begin their postseason at the Regional Meet on Saturday, October 21, at 11:00 p.m. The meet is being held at Grant County, Sherman Elementary.



## GO PANDAS!

### SOCCER UPDATE

Soccer won the Region 9 Championship this past Saturday and moved into the Sweet 16 winning against George Rogers Clark last night. Their next game is Thursday, October 19 at 7:00 p.m. at NDA against South Laurel.



# COUNSELING AND STUDENT SERVICES



## PREPARING FOR THE FUTURE

### NDA COLLEGE VISIT SCHEDULE

[CLICK HERE](#) for a list of college visits specifically for NDA students/families. The visits are in the hallway outside the cafeteria. All students are welcome to visit the reps.



## JOIN TODAY!

### DRUG FREE CLUB

*"Making the Right Choice Easy"*

### ***FINALLY! A true PREVENTION PLAN***

The time is **NOW** to sign up for Drug Free Clubs of America (DFCA). Parents can obtain more information and [complete online applications](#) on the Drug Free Club website, OR through the paper application available in the main school office and the Counselors' Quad. Members can rely on testing as an "out" for drug-related situations by saying, "I can't. I might get tested."

*Q - Finances are tight at home, and \$25 is just too much for right now.*

*A - Please let Mrs. Hildreth know! We have scholarship money available and don't want anyone to be left out of this amazing opportunity!*

**Applications will be accepted through October 31.**



# GOVERNOR'S SCHOOL FOR THE ARTS

A PROGRAM OF



KENTUCKY  
PERFORMING  
ARTS

CHECK IT OUT!

## THE KY GOVERNOR'S SCHOOL FOR THE ARTS (GSA)

Creative Writing - Dance - Design - Drama - Instrumental Music - Vocal Music - Musical Theatre - Visual Art - Film + Photography

- The Kentucky Governor's School for the Arts provides hands-on arts opportunities for talented high school students who are dancers, actors, instrumental and vocal musicians, creative writers, future architects or visual artists.
- GSA 2024 will be held at the University of Kentucky (Lexington, KY)
  - Session One - June 9th to June 29th, 2024
  - Session Two - July 7th to July 27th, 2024
- **Applications due January 14, 2024.**
- See these links for more information:
  - [GSA: Application TIMELINE and WEBINARS](#)
  - [APPLICANT GUIDES](#)

A GSA Information Session will be held after school on Tuesday, October 10 in Alumnae Hall. GSA Panda Alumnae will be there to share their experience and offer application suggestions! Contact Mrs. Hildreth with questions.



## RESOURCES TO UNDERSTAND & HELP TEENAGE GIRLS NDA PARENT TOOLBOX

NDA's counselors have put together some very useful tools for our parents [HERE](#).



YOU'RE INVITED

## THE KY GOVERNOR'S SCHOLARS PROGRAM (GSP)

GSP is a 5-week summer residential program for outstanding KY students after completing their junior year of high school. Established in 1983, the program provides academic and personal growth through a strong liberal arts program balanced with a full co-curricular and residential life experience while living on a college campus. Students complete an application and compete with others from across the state. The Program's mission is to enhance Kentucky's next generation of civic and economic leaders. Those selected attend the program free of charge. The [GSP website](#) has basic information and will be updated in mid-September with information for GSP 2024. Applications are due November 20. Contact Mrs. Hildreth with questions.



## SHARING OUR Community News

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

- 2023-24 Thomas More Dual-Credit Information Sessions
- Molly Mayer's Studio of Dance

## Important dates

October 19	IHM Shadow Day
October 20	Picture Retake Day
	Fall Play 7 p.m.
October 21	Fall Play 7 p.m.
October 22	Fall Play 2 p.m.
October 23	Red Ribbon Week Begins
	NDA Information Night for Prospective Panda Families
October 28	Junior Retreat #1 - Pilgrimage Retreat
November 1	All Saints Day - NO SCHOOL
November 2-17	Canned Food Drive
November 5	Open House at NDA 1-3 p.m.