

# **Dear Parents,**

This past weekend we celebrated World Mission Sunday with the universal Church offering prayer and reflection on our mission as Catholics to proclaim the gospel to all nations. At Notre Dame Academy, we celebrate our Catholic identity each and every day by living the Gospel message of Jesus through kindness and generosity to others, respect for life, community service and striving to use our God given gifts. As I tell our students, "We are called to be beacons of hope to a world in need." I am encouraged by the beacons of hope among us - our students, parents, faculty and staff. I hope we are all reinvigorated by the celebration of Mission Sunday to continue to walk with one another transforming our world with Christ's compassion and remembering our calling to bring light into the world.

I would like to thank our students and parents who attended a Student/Parent/Teacher conference yesterday. This is a wonderful example of how our students take ownership of their education at NDA. I would also like to thank our teachers for providing students with the opportunity to have a conversation about their education. We are blessed with very qualified and dedicated faculty members who are invested in making each student's educational experience at Notre Dame Academy the best it can be.

I have some exciting news from SND USA. The Sisters of Notre Dame announced the selection of Sr. Mary Ann Culpert, SND as the 11th Superior General of the International Congregation. Sr. Mary Ann will lead the congregation for the next six years. Sr. Mary Ann served in various roles on the SND General Council in Rome from 2016 to 2022. Before that she ministered at Notre Dame Academy Toledo, OH for 14 years as dean of academics, principal, and president. This is a notable accomplishment and great new for the SND USA network.

You should receive your invitation in the mail today or tomorrow for our fall fundraiser, *Light the Night for NDA*. As I mentioned last week, this year we will gather for this important event on **Saturday**, **November 19** at St. Elizabeth's Training and Education Center (SETEC) in Erlanger. Please plan to join us in celebration and support of our mission of educating young women to make a difference in the world. It's a wonderful evening of fellowship for our community and I really hope to see you there.

Thank you for your continued support of NDA. As a Catholic community, we are blessed to have the spiritual support from each other to see hope in our world. Together, it is our responsibility to keep the light of Christ burning in our own lives and the lives of others.

Discovering our purpose.

Transforming the world.

In Notre Dame,

Mr. Jack VonHandorf



Saturday, November 19, 2022 6:00 p.m. - 11:00 p.m.

at

St. Elizabeth Training and Education Center (SETEC) 3861 Olympic Boulevard, Erlanger, Kentucky 41018

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 Ultimate Bourbon Raffle | Specialty Raffles

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

\*Dressy Casual Attire

**MAKE YOUR RESERVATION HERE** 

# Did you buy your raffle ticket yet?

THE ULTIMATE

**HELP US REACH OUR GOAL OF SELLING 400 TICKETS!** 

# 2 Lucky Winners

will be chosen at Light the Night for NDA on 11.19.22 1st winner gets first choice of one of these collections 2nd winner receives remaining collection

(Winners need not be present to win.)

\$100 per ticket























#### W.L. Weller Collection

The ultimate collection from W.L. Weller (part of the award-winning Buffalo Trace Distillery) includes:

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#### Pappy Van Winkle Prime Bundle

Old Rip Van Winkle 10 Year Pappy Van Winkle Special Reserve Lot B 12 Year Pappy Van Winkle Family Reserve 15 Year

Must be 21 years old to win. | Shipping is not available. | Must pick up from Notre Dame Academy in Park Hills, KY. | All proceeds support tuition assistance programs at NDA. | KY Gaming License #: ORG-0456

# We need your help for **Light the Night for NDA!**

We are getting close to the big day but we still need a few items to make our fall fundraiser a success. If you can help us out with one of the items from our wish list to the right, please contact one of our event chairs, Cindy Hemsath or Jennifer Lenihan.

### Donation Needs for Light the Night:

- **UK tickets**
- Rounds of golf
- Bengals tickets
- Frequent flyer miles
- Hotel points
- NYC accommodations
- Limo/party bus access

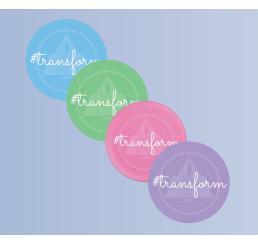
# **Student Life**



#### ALL ARE WELCOME

## **MORNING MASS**

We will be celebrating Mass in our chapel on Thursday and Friday this week at 7:20 a.m. All are welcome to join us!



#### **GO PANDAS!**

## **FAMILY COMPETITION**

Almost all of our points are in for the Family Competition for Quarter 1. First Quarter winners will receive an out of uniform day in the near future. The current standings are...

Pink Family- 261 points Blue Family- 260 points Purple Family- 220 points Green Family- 182 points



#### JOIN THE FUN

## HALLOWEEN!

NDA will engage in Halloween festivities on Monday, October 31 and students are welcome to wear costumes. The costumes must be appropriate and provide proper coverage; in addition, no gore, face/body paint, Halloween masks or weapons are not permitted. Students should contact Mrs. Wagner if they have any questions.



#### COOL OPPORTUNITY

# FRESHMAN SNACK

Last Monday we held the Freshman Snack. This event was an opportunity for our freshmen to sit down with a sophomore to share a little about how their year has been going so far and share an ice cream sundae!



#### **HELP US SPREAD THE WORD!**

## **OPEN HOUSE YARD SIGNS**

NDA's Open House is scheduled for Sunday, November 6 from 1 - 3 p.m. Please help us spread the word by putting a yard sign at your home and/or place of business. Yard signs will be 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!



#### **NO SCHOOL**

# **HOLY DAY**

There will be no school on **Tuesday, November 1** due to All Saints Day, a Catholic Holy Day of Obligation.



#### MAKING A DIFFERENCE

### RESPECT LIFE MONTH

As part of Respect Life Month, the LIFE Club and Peer Ministry Team will be collecting diapers and wipes for local non profits that assist pregnant women and new moms the week of October 24-28. Students are encouraged to bring in packs of diapers (sizes 1-6) throughout the week. This will be part of an NDA Family Competition where the winning family will be awarded 40 family points. We thank you for your support!



#### **SPOOKY NEWS!**

# FRESHMEN HALLOWEEN DANCE

NDA and CCH Halloween Dance is always a fun and safe time at CCH. Tickets need to be purchased before the dance on Friday night. Please see info below.

**Cost:** \$5

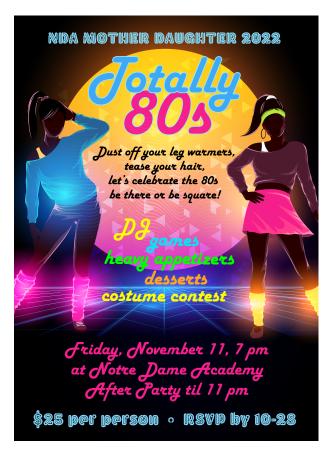
Date: Friday, October 28

Time: 8-10:30 p.m. (arrive by 8:30 p.m. and need note from parent if

leaving sooner than 10:15 p.m.)

**Location:** The Gardens of Park Hills (basement)

Costumes preferred - Many snacks - Prizes for costumes



TOTALLY 80's

## **MOTHER DAUGHTER 2022!**

Don't miss this year's Mother Daughter event! You can register online here: <a href="https://www.cognitoforms.com/NotreDameAcademy1/">https://www.cognitoforms.com/NotreDameAcademy1/</a> 2022MotherDaughter Dance

# IMPORTANT INFORMATION PLEASE READ

QUESTION, PERSUADE, REFER

# SUICIDE PREVENTION TRAINING FOR PARENTS AT NDA

With suicide being the second-leading cause of death among people ages 15-24, the National Alliance on Mental Illness calls for a increase in suicide prevention initiatives and conversations surrounding mental health and depression with our youth. Larry McNabb is a local Vocational Rehabilitation Certified Counselor and a Master Trainer with the QPR Institute and will be presenting a Suicide Prevention Training for parents at Notre Dame Academy on **November 14 from 6:30 p.m.** to 8:00 p.m. QPR stands for Question, Persuade, Refer and the training will help you recognize the warning signs of suicide, know how to offer hope, and know how to get help to save someone's life. Please make plans to attend if you can. NDA's faculty and staff completed QPR training in August during our annual back to school meetings and students will be trained by grade levels through the next several weeks. This is an important step in our ongoing efforts to eliminate suicide rates in our young adult populations.



#### **SERVING OUR PANDAS**

# 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!



#### **NO SCHOOL**

# PANDA DIRECTORY

NDA's Panda Directory, recently shared via email, will be updated one more time this year. If your information was omitted or inaccurate, please contact Mrs. Grayson (graysona@ndapandas.org), so it can be included in or edited for this year's directory. Requests are kindly requested by Tuesday, November 1.



#### PANDA GEAR

# **BAMBOOTIQUE SPIRIT WEAR SHOP**

There is a big sale on t-shirts this week: buy one at regular price, the next one is 70% off! Shop this week's deal online HERE.

Here's another way to get 10% off of your Bambootique purchases... Volunteer to work in the Bambootique! Please sign up to volunteer <u>HERE</u>.

# IMPORTANT INFORMATION PLEASE READ

#### FIRST QUARTER

# REPORT CARDS

First quarter report cards are scheduled to be sent on Wednesday, 10/26. This quarter report cards will only be sent in a digital format. Be on the lookout for a PDF file attachment version of the report card sent to the parent or guardian email addresses NDA has in Power-School. Because they contain personal information, the report card files will be password protected with the student's PowerSchool seven digit student number. Any PDF reader should be able to open the file. As you open it, a screen will appear where you will enter the student number. Once that is entered, the report card file should open for you to see.



#### DID YOU ORDER YOUR YEARBOOK?

# YEARBOOK SALES

Parents: You can pre-order Notre Dame Academy's 2022-23 yearbook, *Finding our Groove*, at <u>jostensyearbooks.com</u>. Order by September 16 to take advantage of the early-bird discount price of \$70. NDA's 2021-22 yearbook, *Make it Count*, will ship this fall. A limited number of extra copies will be available for purchase at the school when books arrive.

# **FINE ARTS**

#### SIGN UP FOR AUDITIONS

# "NOT YOUR AVERAGE BATTLE OF THE BANDS SHOWCASE" ON NOVEMBER 9 & 10

- · Auditions will be Wed Nov 9 and Thurs Nov 10 at NDA in the theatre
- · Tech interviews for designers and crew will be the same week, please look for that info coming soon!

What is Showcase? It's a student directed and choreographed variety show with this year's theme of "Not Your Average Battle of the Bands." This is a no-cut show, and everyone who auditions gets in. There are opportunities for singing, dancing, acting, and a combination of all!

#### How to audition?

- · Sign up for a time slot for singing, acting, and/or dance call.
- · Fill out the audition form here with your schedule conflicts and interests
- · If you're interested in a dance solo or feature, sign up for the dance call on Thursday.
- If you're interested in an acting feature, audition with a memorized 60sec monologue from play, tv show, or movie.
- If you're interested in a singing feature or solo, audition with 16bars (or 60sec) of any song that showcases your voice (could be from a musical or a regular song). Make sure to have a karaoke track to sing along with.
- Want to audition for an ensemble role (no solos, no featured dance, or no featured acting parts)? You can either prepare something from above OR you can show up and do a cold reading (a provided monologue that you don't have to memorize) and sing a traditional song (happy birthday, national anthem, amazing grace, etc.)
- What if I want a dance feature and cannot come to the dance call on Thursday? Email Miss Smith about a digital audience for dance.

#### **Important Showcase Dates:**

- Cast Rehearsals begin Mon Nov 28 through Jan 20 on Mon-Fri from 4-6:30pm (list any conflicts on rehearsal form). We will not have rehearsal the week of exams, and we won't have rehearsal when school is off. Side note: Musical auditions will be Dec 12, 13, 14.
- Crew/Designer Dates: Production Meeting/Shop Hours Nov 17 3:15-6pm, Build Day Sun Nov 20 from 1-6pm, Production Meeting/Shop Hours Dec 1 3:15-6pm, Production Meeting/Shop Hours Dec 8 from 3:15-6pm, Build Day Sun Dec 10 from 1-6pm, Production Meeting/Shop Hours Jan 5 from 3:15-6pm, Build Day Sat Jan 7 10am-3pm, Production Meeting/Shop Hours Jan 12 from 3:15-6pm
- Crew mandatory **Paper Tech/Last Build** Day Sat Jan 14 from 10am-3pm
- · Cast and Crew Mandatory **Tech Q2Q** on Tues Jan 17-Fri Jan 20 from 4-6:30pm. This is an extended tech week that we are trying so that we have less late nights. Cast and crew will be mandatory during this week.
- Crew Mandatory Tech Sat Jan 21 from 10am-3pm (as needed)
- Cast and Crew Mandatory Tech Sun Jan 22 from 12pm-7:30pm; Mon Jan 23 from 2:15-7:30pm, Tues Jan 24 from 3:15-7:30pm, Wed Jan 25 from 2:15-7:30pm

#### Performances:

- · Thurs Jan 26 from 3:15-10pm, Dress Rehearsal @7pm
- Fri Jan 27 from 3:15-10pm, Opening Night @7pm
- · Sat Jan 28 from 12pm-6pm, Show 2 @ 2pm
- Sun Jan 29 from 12-10pm, Closing Show @2pm followed by strike

Please email Miss Smith with any questions.

Thanks, Miss Smith

# **COUNSELING AND STUDENT SERVICES**





#### PREPARING FOR THE FUTURE

# NDA COLLEGE VISIT SCHEDULE

<u>CLICK HERE</u> 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.



#### Supporting vs Enabling

# **COMMONWEALTH HONORS ACADEMY**

Murray State University offers a unique and impressive program each summer for rising seniors. It is a competitive program that offers students 3 weeks of residential courses on the MSU campus. They also offer at least 6 college credit hours. Below is the link to find out more information. <a href="mailto:murraystate.edu/cha">murraystate.edu/cha</a>



#### SIGN UP TODAY!

# DRUG FREE CLUB AT NDA

**DEADLINE IS Monday OCTOBER 31** 

DRUG FREE CLUBS of AMERICA at NOTRE DAME ACADEMY

Only 6 days remain to enroll your daughter in Drug Free Club! <u>CLICK HERE</u> to REGISTER NOW!!



If \$25 seems like a lot for your daughter to receive rewards and be known for being drug-free, realize that it averages to **\$2.08 per month!** She will receive positive rewards and recognition for being drug free! (goody bags, coffee & cocoa, gift cards, community rewards (it's always buy one coney get one FREE at our nearby Skyline!) chances for the best spot in the parking lot, Silver Belles Tickets, Prom Tickets, big scholarship money). Currently 78% of NDA students are registered - but we are hoping for 90%.

If finances are tight right now and \$25 is too much, scholarships are available! (Contact Mrs. Hildreth with any questions!)

There is still time!! Do it REGISTER ONLINE NOW!



#### GSP

# THE KY GOVERNOR'S SCHOLARS PROGRAM

GSP is a 5-week summer residential program for outstanding KY students after completing their junior year of high school. 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. Those selected attend the program free of charge. The <u>GSP website</u> has the most current information for GSP 2023. **Applications are due at Notre Dame Academy on November 21.** Contact Mrs. Hildreth with questions.

#### **GSA**

# THE KY GOVERNOR'S SCHOOL FOR THE ARTS

#### THE GSA 2023 APPLICATION IS NOW OPEN.

APPLICATION DEADLINE: Sunday, January 8, 2023 @ 11:59 pm



CLICK ABOVE for GSA APPLICANT GUIDES (describes process), access to the APPLICANT PORTAL (for uploading application materials), and APPICATION WALKTHROUGH VIDEO (teaches how to submit materials).

From now until December 1, the GSA admin team will be hosting several Zoom webinars about the 2023 summer program. These are free to attend, however - registration is required. For the full webinar schedule, as well as Zoom registration links, please go this webpage.

#### Meet Your GSA Adjudicators" Webinars

Conversations with adjudicators about what they're looking for in GSA applicants, IncludING Q&A. Each session will be recorded and made available. **Free** to attend, however registration is required.

- Instrumental Music October 17th, 5:00 p.m. (Watch Recording HERE)
- Creative Writing October 19th, 6:15 p.m. (Watch Recording HERE)
- Dance October 25th, 5:00 p.m. (Register <u>HERE</u>)
- Musical Theatre October 26th, 7:30 p.m. (Register HERE)
- Vocal Music November 1st, 6:15 p.m (Register <u>HERE</u>)
- Drama November 2nd, 5:00 p.m. (Register <u>HERE</u>)
- Architecture & Design November 3rd, 6:15 p.m(Register HERE)
- Visual Art November 7th, 5:00 p.m. (Register HERE)
- Film & Photography November 10th, 5:00 p.m.(Register <u>HERE</u>)

#### GSE

# THE KY GOVERNOR'S SCHOOL FOR ENTREPRENEURS



The Governor's School for Entrepreneurs (GSE) will be accepting applications for Summer 2023 from Monday, November 14- Monday Jan. 23. GSE brings teens together from around the state of Kentucky, immerses them in a creative space, and arms them with the tools they need to unleash their entrepreneurial spirits. All participants gain vital entrepreneurial skills through the program to use as they enter the workplace or continue into higher education. As a direct result of their participation In GSE, participants qualify for some \$5 million in scholarship opportunities from Kentucky's universities and colleges. Visit their website to learn more about the program and to apply: <a href="https://www.kentuckyGSE.com">www.kentuckyGSE.com</a>.

#### Virtual Learning Events for GSE: Register here

Wednesday, November 2 from 4:30-5:30 Wednesday, November 16 from 4:30-5:30 Wednesday, November 30 from 4:30-5:30 Wednesday, Dece,ber 14 from 4:30-5:30 Wednesday, January 4 from 4:30-5:30



**SHARING OUR** 

# **Community News**

You can find a complete list of community news HERE.

- · Sisters of Notre Dame Hiring
- · Important EdChoice Information
- · Seeking Lower Tuition Payments?

# **Important dates**

October 24-28 Red Ribbon Week

October 27 Mass in Chapel 7:20 a.m.

October 28 Mass in Chapel 7:20 a.m.

CCH FR Halloween Dance

October 31 Halloween

November 1 No School: All Saint's Day

November 2 Remembrance Mass

November 3 NHS Induction

November 6 Open House

November 11 Mid quarter

Mother/Daughter Dance at NDA

November 12 JR Retreat

November 14 Parent QPR Training

November 23 No School: Thanksgiving Break

College Welcome Back Night

November 24-25 No School: Thanksgiving Break

November 29 - Dec. 1 Senior Retreat #2