



NOTRE DAME ACADEMY

Educating Women to Make a Difference in the World

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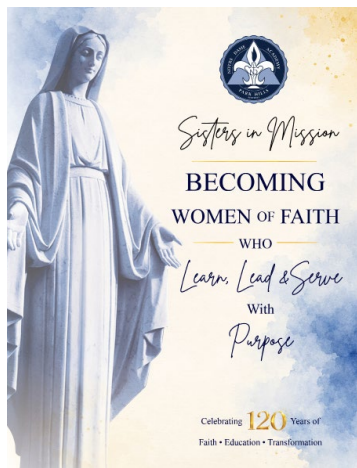
Dear Panda Families,

As we approach the end of October, there is so much to be grateful for here at Notre Dame Academy. From our seniors spending meaningful time together on retreat to our students putting their faith into action through service, prayer and leadership, we continue to see the mission of the Sisters of Notre Dame come to life in wonderful ways.

This weekend, as we celebrate All Saints' Day and commemorate All Souls' Day, we are reminded of the importance of faith, community and the people who have helped shape our lives. On Monday, November 2, we will gather as a school community for our annual Remembrance Mass. This beautiful NDA tradition gives us an opportunity to remember and pray for loved ones who have gone before us. We invite our families to join us for this special celebration.

We also have two exciting events just around the corner! Our Open House is Sunday, November 8, and Light the Night for NDA follows on Saturday, November 14. Both are wonderful opportunities to celebrate what makes Notre Dame Academy such a special place. As we mark our 120th anniversary, I hope you will help us share the NDA experience with prospective families and join us as we celebrate the generations of young women who have called Notre Dame Academy home.

Thank you for the many ways you support our students, our faculty and staff, and our mission. We are blessed to have such a caring and committed community, and I look forward to all that November will bring!



Walk in Faith,

Mrs. Lisa Timmerding

Mrs. Lisa Ruwe Timmerding '97

Walk in Faith!

Join us!

OPEN HOUSE



NOV. 8 | 1-3 PM

KNOW A FAMILY WHO WOULD LOVE NDA?

HELP US WELCOME THE NEXT GENERATION OF PANDAS!

Notre Dame Academy's Open House is almost here, and we are counting on our Panda community to help us spread the word!

On **Sunday, November 8, from 1-3 p.m.**, we will welcome prospective students and their families to campus to discover what makes the Notre Dame Life so special. From our outstanding academics and faith-filled environment to the friendships and sisterhood that last a lifetime, there is so much for future Pandas to experience!

And no one tells the NDA story better than the families who live it every day!

As we prepare to welcome the Class of 2031, we encourage you to think about the families you know who might be exploring high school options for their daughters. Whether it is a neighbor, a family from your parish, a coworker or a friend, your personal invitation could make all the difference.

For 120 years, Notre Dame Academy has been helping young women grow in faith, discover their gifts and become confident leaders who make a difference in the world. Help us continue that tradition by inviting the next generation of Pandas to experience NDA for themselves!

To register, go to <https://www.cognitoforms.com/NotreDameAcademy1/OpenHousePreRegistration> or scan the link below.

Thank you for being such wonderful ambassadors for Notre Dame Academy. Together, we can share the Notre Dame Life with even more families!



SCAN HERE TO REGISTER

Reservations are required.

ndapandas.org

YOUR FRIENDS. YOUR TABLE. ONE INCREDIBLE NIGHT!

GATHER YOUR FAVORITE PANDAS FOR LIGHT THE NIGHT!

Some of the best NDA memories are made when we come together, and on Saturday, November 14, we have a wonderful reason to celebrate!

As Notre Dame Academy marks 120 years of faith, friendship and sisterhood, we invite you to gather your friends, family, fellow alumnae or NDA parents and reserve a table for Light the Night for NDA, presented by Heritage Bank, at The Madison Event Center.

Why not be the one to bring everyone together?

Whether it is a group of your fellow parents, neighbors or a group of friends who simply love supporting our school, hosting a table is a great way to enjoy a special evening while making a difference for the next generation of Pandas.

Reserve a Table of 10 for \$1,100! That is just \$110 per person!

Individual tickets are also available for \$120. AVAILABLE UNTIL THIS FRIDAY, OCTOBER 30!

Every table filled helps us celebrate the incredible legacy of the Sisters of Notre Dame and continue their mission of educating young women to make a difference in our world.

November 14 is almost here! Be the one who gets your group together! [CLICK HERE](#) to reserve your table or purchase tickets.

120 years of tradition. Generations of Pandas. One incredible night!

10 REASONS TO ATTEND *Light the Night for NDA*



1 SUPPORT CATHOLIC EDUCATION

Your participation helps ensure that young women continue to receive an exceptional Catholic education at NDA.



2 CELEBRATE OUR SISTERHOOD

Join fellow alumnae, parents, grandparents and friends for a joyful evening that brings the NDA community together.



3 HONOR 120 YEARS

Be part of a milestone celebration of 120 years of faith, friendship and opportunity for young women.



4 ENJOY A MEMORABLE NIGHT

Savor a delicious dinner, wonderful company and a festive evening at The Madison Event Center.



5 INVEST IN BRIGHT FUTURES

Help provide opportunities for the next generation of Pandas to grow, lead and make a difference in our world.



6 HONOR THE SISTERS OF NOTRE DAME

Celebrate the incredible legacy of the Sisters of Notre Dame and the generations of young women they have inspired.



7 BE PART OF SOMETHING BIGGER

Your support makes a direct impact on today's students and the future of Notre Dame Academy.



8 INCREDIBLE LIVE AND SILENT AUCTIONS PLUS RAFFLES

Bid on amazing live and luxury silent auction items, along with exciting raffles, that make the evening extra special!



9 SHOW YOUR PANDA PRIDE

Celebrate what makes NDA so special — our faith, our students, our educators and our incredible community.



10 MAKE A LASTING DIFFERENCE

Every ticket and table helps ensure that the Notre Dame Academy legacy continues for many years to come.

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LIGHT *the* NIGHT for NDA

CELEBRATING
120
YEARS
1906-2026

A CELEBRATION OF
NOTRE DAME ACADEMY

*An evening to honor our mission, strengthen our sisterhood
and invest in the future of NDA.*

SATURDAY
NOVEMBER 14, 2026

THE MADISON EVENT CENTER
700 MADISON AVE.
COVINGTON, KY 41011

6:00 P.M.
COCKTAILS, DINNER
& PROGRAM

Please
RSVP
BY OCTOBER 30, 2026

To purchase tickets and view more
information, scan the QR code below.
Questions? Call 859.292.7729.



CAMPUS MINISTRY



GATHERING IN FAITH AND PRAYER

JOIN US FOR UPCOMING LITURGIES & OUR ANNUAL REMEMBRANCE MASS

We will celebrate mass in our chapel at 7:25 a.m. on October 30 and on November 3.

We will celebrate our Annual Remembrance Mass on Monday, November 2, at 9:30 a.m. in the gym. All are welcome to attend.

We will pray a decade of the rosary at 7:45 a.m. on Thursday, October 29 in the chapel.

GROWING IN FAITH BEYOND NDA

NATIONAL CATHOLIC YOUTH CONFERENCE (NCYC)

The National Catholic Youth Conference will be held in Indianapolis, November 18-21, 2027. We will be taking a group with the Diocese of Covington again next year. Registration is due on November 3. Students who want to register with the NDA group need to [complete this form](#) as well submit a \$290 non-refundable deposit to Mrs. Price. Students who want to go but are concerned about the finances of this trip should reach out to Mrs. Price as soon as possible. More information about our trip can be found [here](#). In order to go with NDA - you must be a student at NDA during the 2027-2028 school year.



FAITH IN ACTION, LOVE IN SERVICE

HOLIDAY SERVICE OPPORTUNITIES

A reminder that this is a great time of year to complete service hours. There are lots of opportunities in the community to give back during the Holiday Season. Any service opportunities that have been called into the Campus Ministry office can be found [here](#). This list is also posted on the padlet each week for students. A full list of service requirements and guidelines can be found [here](#).



A TIME TO REFLECT, CONNECT AND GROW

SENIORS STRENGTHEN THEIR FAITH AND SISTERHOOD THROUGH RETREAT

A huge thank you for the many prayers for our seniors who attended their retreat last week. The retreat was full of conversation, reflection and growth. The weather was great which allowed us much time outside for reflection and play.

Student Life



IMPORTANT TRADITION

CALLING VOLUNTEERS FOR FATHER DAUGHTER

The Panda Parent Club is looking for parent volunteers to take the lead in planning this year's Father-Daughter Event!

This is always a favorite NDA tradition and a special opportunity for our students to make lasting memories with their dads or special guests. However, we need volunteers willing to chair and organize the event in order for this beloved tradition to continue!

The Father-Daughter Event typically takes place during the winter months, but no date has been set.

If you are interested in helping lead this special event, please reach out to Mrs. Turner at turners@ndapandas.org.

Let's work together to keep this wonderful NDA tradition going!



A SPOOKTACULAR NIGHT!

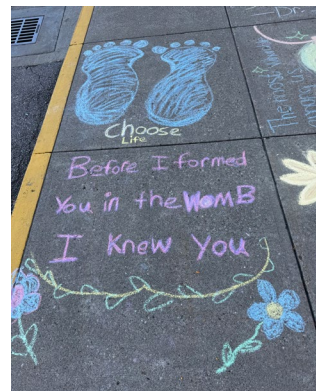
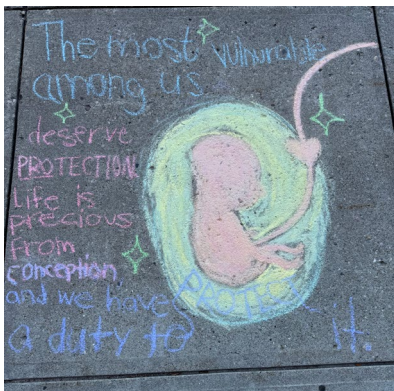
NDA AND CCH FRESHMEN CELEBRATE HALLOWEEN TOGETHER

Our NDA and Covington Catholic freshmen got into the Halloween spirit last Saturday at the annual Freshman Halloween Bash!

Held at the Gardens of Park Hills, the evening was filled with creative costumes, music, dancing and plenty of fun! It was a great opportunity for our freshmen to spend time with friends, make new connections and enjoy a memorable night together.

Check out some of the fun from this year's Halloween Bash!





FAITH IN ACTION

NDA LIFE CLUB CELEBRATES RESPECT LIFE MONTH THROUGH PRAYER, SERVICE AND ADVOCACY

Notre Dame Academy's LIFE (Life Is For Everyone) Club has been busy celebrating Respect Life Month, putting faith into action through prayer, education, service and a little creativity!

On October 20, club members brightened the entrance to NDA with colorful sidewalk chalk designs and pro-life messages, sharing a beautiful reminder of the dignity and value of every human life.

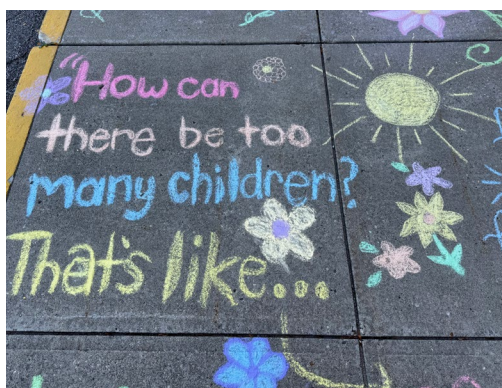
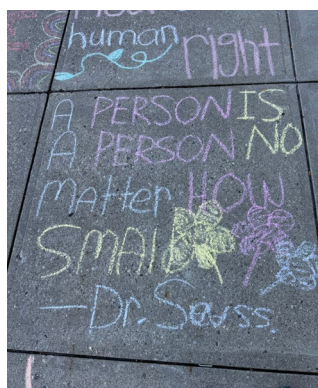
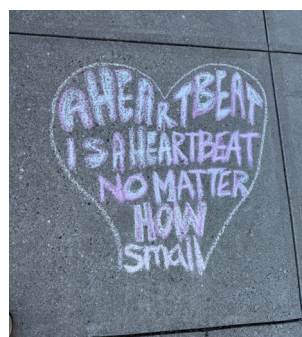
Throughout October, LIFE Club members have also found meaningful ways to live out their commitment to respecting and protecting life:

Prayer: Attended the Diocesan Life Mass at the Cathedral Basilica of the Assumption on October 12 and sponsored NDA's morning Mass on October 27.

Service: Raised more than \$1,200, along with donations of diapers and wipes, through a Diaper Drive benefiting New Hope Center, Madonna House of Northern Kentucky and the Diocesan Baby Shower.

Education: Welcomed Students for Life of America to learn more about pro-life apologetics and how to communicate their beliefs with confidence and compassion.

We are proud of these young women for living their faith and reminding our community that every life is a precious gift from God. Thank you to our LIFE Club members for making Respect Life Month so meaningful at NDA!





PANDA PRIDE

NDA FRESHMAN RIDES TO NATIONAL RESERVE CHAMPIONSHIP!

Congratulations to NDA's Addyson Hamby on an outstanding performance at the National Good Hands Equitation Finals in Springfield, Illinois!

Competing against some of the nation's top young equestrians, Addyson advanced to the final round as one of the top 10 riders and went on to earn the title of Reserve National Good Hands Champion!

At just 14 years old, Addyson was the youngest rider to advance to the final round in the 14–17 age division. This impressive accomplishment came during the first of three national championship competitions she will participate in this fall, collectively known as the Triple Crown.

We are so proud of Addyson for her hard work, dedication and incredible achievement on the national stage!

FROM NDA TO COLLEGE SUCCESS

MU ALPHA THETA WELCOMES ALUMNAE BACK TO SHARE THEIR EXPERIENCES



NDA's Mu Alpha Theta members had their second meeting of the school year this week. They were able to hear from two alums from the class of 2025, Abby Turnpaugh (Biology and Psychology major at Manhattan University) and Hannan Dusing (Finance major at the University of Notre Dame), currently in their sophomore year of college, who spoke on how well an NDA education prepared them for the next level. Abby and Hannan generously offered their time to talk about their math classes and the importance of time management and self-advocacy in regards to continued success in their respective career paths. Both attributed their smooth transitions to being constantly encouraged to speak up for themselves and think critically about problems over their four years at NDA. They are definitely women making a difference, and we are so proud to call them ours!



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Bambootique

SHOW YOUR NDA SPIRIT

SHOP THE BAMBOOTIQUE

Show your Panda pride with new arrivals at the Bambootique! From NDA favorites to fresh new gear, there are plenty of ways to show your NDA spirit this season.

Shop at the Bambootique in person or online [HERE](#).



DELICIOUS NEWS

CAFETERIA INFORMATION

Wondering what's for lunch? The NDA Cafeteria has plenty of delicious options to keep our Pandas fueled throughout the school day!

Families can visit the cafeteria page on the NDA website to find menus, payment information and other helpful cafeteria details. It's an easy way to plan ahead and see what's cooking at NDA!

[CLICK HERE FOR ALL NDA CAFETERIA INFORMATION](#)



HONORING OUR HEROES

VETERANS DAY TRIBUTE AT NDA!

This Veterans Day, Notre Dame Academy would like to honor the brave men and women who have served or are currently serving in our United States Armed Forces!

If you have a family member or friend who is a veteran or is currently serving in the military, we would love to recognize them in our special Veterans Day Tribute Display at NDA.

Please send a photo along with their name and their connection to Notre Dame to Mrs. Turner at turners@ndapandas.org so we can celebrate their service and sacrifice.

Let's come together as an NDA community to show our gratitude and appreciation for those who have courageously served our country!

Thank you to all who have served and continue to serve!

SKI YOU LATER!

GET READY FOR WINTER AT PERFECT NORTH SLOPES!

Winter is just around the corner, and now is the perfect time to plan your snowy adventures at Perfect North Slopes!



Through NDA's PNS Club Store, you can enjoy an exclusive 30% discount on season passes when purchased through our link. This offer is available to everyone, not just students! Parents, siblings, extended family, and friends can all take advantage of the savings. There's also a tubing pass option for even more winter fun!

Don't miss the deadline!

- Now through November 7: Save 30%
- November 8–December 1: Save 20%

Whether you're skiing, snowboarding, or tubing, it's a great way for the whole family and friends to enjoy the winter season while saving money.

Purchase passes here: [NDA's PNS Club Store](#)

- Username: notredame
- Password: panda

Be sure to purchase through our link to take advantage of these exclusive savings!

If you have any issues completing your purchase, Perfect North's team will be happy to help. For NDA-related questions, email Ms. Dooling at doolingm@ndapandas.org.

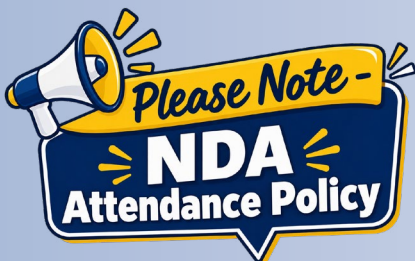
SHOW YOUR NDA SPIRIT

RIDE WITH US TO PERFECT NORTH SLOPES!

Skip the hassle of transportation and let us do the driving! We're offering a round-trip bus pass for all Perfect North Slopes outings, making it easy for students to travel safely and enjoy the trip with their friends.

No need to worry about drop-off or pick-up. Just hop on the bus and get ready for a fun evening on the slopes!

Register for the bus pass here: [Ski Club Bus Pass 2027](#)



REPORTING ABSENCES

ATTENDANCE POLICY

We have a dedicated attendance email for parents to report an absence or early dismissal. Please use this email if your daughter is sick or needs to leave school early: attendance@ndapandas.org. Remember, you can always call the school office with any questions at (859) 261-4300.

More Mother Daughter!

MORE MOTHER-DAUGHTER MEMORIES!

TOO MANY GREAT MOMENTS NOT TO SHARE!

We had so many wonderful photos from this year's Mother-Daughter event that we just had to share a few more! From beautiful smiles to special moments together, these pictures capture the joy, laughter and love that made the day so memorable. Enjoy another look at some of our favorite mother-daughter moments!



ATHLETIC DEPARTMENT

FROM THE DESK OF THE ATHLETIC DIRECTOR PANDA ATHLETICS UPDATE



Cross Country

Our Panda Cross Country team finished Runner-up in the Region Meet last Saturday. They ran a phenomenal race! We are so proud of them and all the work the entire team put into NDA hosting the Region Meet. The Region team will race this Saturday at the Kentucky Horse Park in Lexington at the KHSAA State Meet. WE are looking for some new records to be set by the Pandas! Let's go Pandas.



Soccer

Soccer finished their season with a loss in the KHSAA Region Semifinals to Highlands, during a tied game that went to penalty kicks to decide the victor. We are so proud of this team and all they accomplished this year. Thanks for the memorable season Pandas!



Volleyball

Our volleyball team in the middle of the KHSAA Region tournament. Last night they defeated Highlands (3-0) . Tonight they take on St. Henry in the Region Semifinals at Dayton High School at 8:00PM. The Region Finals will be held on Thursday at 7:00PM at Dayton High School Come out and cheer our Pandas on as they make a run at another State Championship!

Winter sports are in full swing!

Swimming and Diving will begin the first week of November as well as our Bowling Team!

Basketball and Archery will start to compete the first week of December.

Discount Cards are on sale!

Be sure to stop by the office and pick one up!

Fall Athletic Signing day

FALL Athletic Signing day will be held on Nov. 17th at 3:30PM in the Auditorium. If you are a NDA student and you want to be a part of the celebration be sure to register at the

following link, <https://forms.gle/eWgRJzzkMy6wUnYC8>.



STUDENT SERVICES

KEEPING STUDENTS SAFE

RED RIBBON WEEK & DRUG FREE CLUB

Dear Parents,

This week is Red Ribbon Week where we focus on ways to lead Drug Free lives. Drug Free Club can be a part of the plan to help keep your student safe and give them an easy way to say no to drugs because they might be tested.

As a parent, it can sometimes be difficult to know how to have a good conversation with your teen about unsafe substances.

[This article](#) from the Child Mind Institute gives some guidelines for how to have that meaningful conversation.

Additionally, you can still sign up your daughter to join Drug Free Club if she isn't already a member by following the [link here](#).

This week we are celebrating Red Ribbon Week in multiple ways, including wearing red on Wednesday and providing special rewards to our Drug Free Club Pandas.

PREPARING FOR THE FUTURE

NDA COLLEGE VISIT SCHEDULE

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



COLLEGE
REP VISITS

Advancing the Mission

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GET READY FOR AN INCREDIBLE NIGHT!

THE COUNTDOWN IS ON!

1. RESERVE YOUR SEAT - Gather Your Friends and Join the Celebration!

Have you purchased your tickets yet? There is still time to join us for this special evening! Better yet, gather nine friends and reserve a table of 10. It is a wonderful opportunity to celebrate with fellow Pandas, NDA parents, family and friends while supporting the mission of Notre Dame Academy.



INDIVIDUAL
TICKETS
\$120



Tables of
Ten
\$1,100
Just \$110 per person!

TO PURCHASE TICKETS for
LIGHT THE NIGHT:

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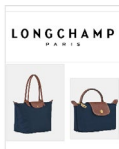
2. THE RAFFLES ARE OPEN - Your Chance to Win Starts NOW!

Why wait until Light the Night to get in on the excitement? Our online raffles are already open, and we have some fantastic prizes up for grabs!



FIRST
CHOICE
\$50

Imagine having first
pick of an item from
our silent auction
before the event
even begins!



Longchamp
Le PLIAGE Bags
\$25

Enter for a chance
to win TWO
Longchamp bags!



**\$500 Amazon
Gift Card
\$25**

Who could not use
a \$500 Amazon
shopping spree?



Blanton's 8!
\$25

Bourbon enthusiasts
will not want to miss
this opportunity to
win the complete
eight-bottle Blanton's
collector set!

TO
PURCHASE
RAFFLE
TICKETS

[CLICK
HERE](#)

COMING NEXT WEEK: A SNEAK PEEK AT OUR LIVE AUCTION ITEMS!

Important dates

November 2	Remembrance Mass and Reception
November 8	Open House
November 9-20	Canned Food Drive
November 14	Light the Night for NDA
November 17	Fall Sports Signing - Auditorium
November 18-20	Senior Retreat #2
November 19	Alumnae Rosary Alumnae Dinner Theatre
November 20	Mid-Quarter
November 23	Thanksgiving Prayer Service
November 25-27	No School - Thanksgiving Break
December 2	Choral Concert at Triple Crown CC
December 4	In-school Christmas Concert
December 6	Band Christmas Concert 4:30-5:30 p.m.
December 8	No School - Feast of the Immaculate Conception
December 10	Quilt Show and Christmas Choral Concert 5-9 p.m.
December 11	Advent Mass Cookies with Santa
December 12	High School Placement Test (HSPT)
December 16-18	Exams
December 18	End of Second Quarter
Dec. 21 - Jan. 3	Christmas Break
January 4	Classes Resume

COMMUNITY NEWS



SHARING OUR Community News

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

- CCH Tech Recycling
- Sister Soldier
- The Point Car Raffle
- St. Timothy Parish Religious Ed Opportunity
- Support Group for Separated and Divorced