

Dear Panda Families,

As we begin the month of November, we are reminded of the many blessings in our lives, especially the people who have helped shape who we are.

On Monday, our NDA community gathered for our All Souls Day Mass to remember and pray for the alumnae, family members and loved ones who have gone before us. It was a beautiful opportunity to reflect on the gift of life, the power of love and the comfort we find in our Catholic faith.

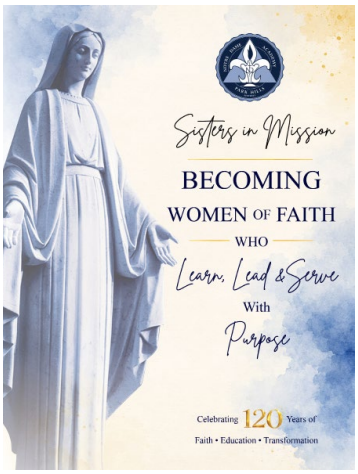
Following Mass, I shared a reflection with our students about guardian angels and the beautiful reminder that God never leaves us alone. The Catechism of the Catholic Church tells us, “From infancy to death human life is surrounded by their watchful care and intercession.” What a comforting thought, especially when we are missing someone we love.

I also reminded our students that while our loved ones do not become guardian angels, the love they shared with us continues to live on through the lessons they taught us, the memories we treasure and the ways they helped shape our hearts.

I encouraged the girls to think about how they can honor those who have gone before them by carrying forward the goodness those people brought into the world. Sometimes that is as simple as offering a kind word, checking on a friend or showing compassion to someone who may be struggling. These small acts of love can make an extraordinary difference.

This message connects so beautifully to our theme this year, Sisters in Mission: Becoming Women of Faith Who Learn, Lead and Serve with Purpose. Each day, we have opportunities to put our faith into action and become a source of comfort, strength and love for others.

As we look ahead, we have so much to celebrate at NDA! This Sunday, November 8, we will welcome prospective students and families to our Open House. I encourage you to share your NDA experience with families who may be considering our school. Your personal invitation can make a meaningful difference.



We are also looking forward to Light the Night for NDA on November 14, when our community will come together to celebrate 120 years of educating young women to make a difference in the world. What a wonderful opportunity to honor the legacy of the Sisters of Notre Dame and support the generations of Pandas who will follow.

As we move through this month of gratitude and remembrance, may we never take for granted the people who have touched our lives or the opportunities we have to make a difference in the lives of others.

Thank you for being part of our NDA family and for helping us continue this beautiful mission.

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 this Sunday, November 8, from 1–3 p.m**., and we need your help spreading the word!

We are excited to welcome prospective students and their families to campus to experience the Notre Dame Life firsthand! From outstanding academics and a faith-filled environment to the friendships and sisterhood that last a lifetime, there is so much for future Pandas to discover.

And no one tells the NDA story better than our own Panda families!

As we prepare to welcome the Class of 2031, we encourage you to personally invite a family who might be considering NDA for their daughter. Whether it is a neighbor, a friend, a coworker or someone from your parish, your invitation could make all the difference!

For 120 years, Notre Dame Academy has empowered young women to grow in faith, discover their gifts and lead lives of purpose. Help us continue that tradition by introducing the next generation of Pandas to all that NDA has to offer.

Open House | Sunday, November 8 | 1–3 p.m.

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

Thank you for being such wonderful ambassadors for NDA. Together, let's share the Notre Dame Life with the next generation!

SCAN HERE TO REGISTER

Reservations are required.

ndapandas.org

LIGHT THE NIGHT IS ALMOST HERE!

THE COUNTDOWN IS ON! GET READY TO CELEBRATE 120 YEARS OF NDA!



The excitement is building as we prepare for **Light the Night for NDA, presented by Heritage Bank, on Saturday, November 14, at The Madison Event Center!**

This year's celebration promises to be an unforgettable evening as we honor 120 years of faith, friendship and sisterhood while coming together to support the next generation of Pandas.

And the fun is already beginning!

Our Silent Auction Is LIVE!

You do not have to wait until November 14 to join the excitement! Our silent auction is now open, featuring an incredible selection of items and experiences. Whether you are attending Light the Night for NDA or cheering us on from home, you can start bidding today!

TO VIEW AUCTION ITEMS
CLICK HERE

Don't Miss Your Chance to WIN!

Our exciting raffles offer even more ways to support NDA and take home something special! From a beautiful Longchamp bag and stunning Herzog earrings to an Amazon gift card and our Bourbon Run featuring eight bottles of Blanton's bourbon, there is something for everyone. Purchase your raffle tickets now!

TO PURCHASE RAFFLE TICKETS
CLICK HERE

One More Reason to Celebrate...

This year's Raise Your Panda Paw will support a very special project that honors a beloved part of NDA's history while investing in the health, strength and wellness of future generations of Pandas. We cannot wait to share more about this exciting initiative!

You Can Help Make the Night a Success!

We are also collecting gift card donations for our popular Gift Card Pull. Every contribution helps make this special evening even more successful!

CLICK HERE to explore the silent auction, purchase raffle tickets and support Light the Night!

Whether you join us in person or participate from home, your support makes a difference.

COMING NEXT WEEK: A SNEAK PEEK AT THIS YEAR'S PANDA PAW!

CAMPUS MINISTRY



JOIN US FOR MORNING MASS AND ROSARY

COMING TOGETHER IN FAITH AND PRAYER

We will celebrate mass at 7:25 a.m. on Friday, November 6 and Tuesday, November 10. All are welcome to attend!

We will pray a decade of the rosary at 7:45 a.m. on Thursday, November 5 and Monday, November 9 in the chapel.



FAITH IN ACTION: ANSWERING THE CALL TO SERVE

MAKE A DIFFERENCE THROUGH UPCOMING SERVICE OPPORTUNITIES

There have been many opportunities called into the Campus Ministry Office for service projects in the coming month. Students should regularly check the **Upcoming Opportunities Page** posted on the padlet. These are agencies and activities that are specifically requesting our help and it would be great to fill their spots!

Found on the Service Opportunities pages:

- Holly Jolly Market - River Ridge Elementary
- Thank God it's Free event - Immaculate Heart of Mary
- St. Vincent de Paul - coat distribution, Turkeyfoot Trot, Vincent's Angels
- Notre Dame Urban Education Center



NOVEMBER SENIOR RETREAT

TAKING TIME TO REFLECT, CONNECT AND GROW

Our second senior retreat will take place November 18-20. We have 38 students who will be taking part in that retreat. Parents of seniors who are scheduled to attend the November retreat should have received an email from Mrs. Price on Friday, October 30 with more information. If you did not receive that email - please reach out to Mrs. Price at **priceb@ndapandas.org**. The seniors going on retreat will meet in the chapel during PPT on Thursday, November 5.

Student Life

HALLOW

A PRAYER RESOURCE FOR NDA FAMILIES

Did you know that Notre Dame Academy partners with Hallow, a Catholic prayer and meditation app, to help students, faculty, and families grow in their faith? Hallow offers thousands of guided prayers, reflections, meditations, and faith-based resources for all ages.

Through NDA's partnership, every NDA student has full access to Hallow, and that access extends to her family! Parents and family members can use their daughter's school login credentials to access Hallow on up to five devices through the same shared account. This provides a wonderful opportunity for families to pray together, explore their faith, and incorporate prayer into their daily lives.

Please read the attached letters below for step-by-step instructions on downloading Hallow and accessing your family's shared account. We encourage all NDA families to take advantage of this wonderful resource!

Hallow Letter to NDA Families

Hallow - Pray Together as a Family



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!

SKI YOU LATER!

THERE'S ONE SPOT LEFT ON NDA'S 5TH COLORADO SKI TRIP!

An unexpected opening has become available, and now is your chance to join us for an unforgettable trip to the mountains!

Whether you're an experienced skier or have never been on skis before, all skill levels are welcome. With the trip taking place **March 10–14**, there's still plenty of time for beginners to get some practice runs in at Perfect North before heading to Colorado.

Don't miss your chance! This spot won't last long, so register **HERE** to secure your place!

Questions? Please reach out to Ms. Dooling at **doolingm@ndapandas.org** for more information.



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!

Notre Dame Academy
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**.

FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE INFORMATION

NEWS FROM THE FINANCE DEPARTMENT

FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE APPLICATIONS NOW OPEN FOR 2027-28

Notre Dame Academy has opened the FACTS Grant & Aid Assessment application earlier than ever this year, giving families more time to explore financial assistance opportunities for the 2027-28 school year.

Previously, the application process did not begin until January 1. This year, applications opened November 1, providing families with an additional two months to plan ahead.

At Notre Dame Academy, we believe that every young woman who can benefit from an NDA education should have the opportunity to do so. We are deeply committed to working with families to help make a Notre Dame Academy education accessible and affordable.

Important Information for Families:

Application Period: November 1, 2026, through February 28, 2027

Application Fee: $40 per family

How to Apply: Complete the FACTS Grant & Aid Assessment online.

Work-Study Requirement: Families who qualify for financial assistance must also apply for NDA's school work-study program.

We encourage all families who may need financial assistance to complete the application by February 28, 2027.

2027-28 Apply for Financial Assistance through FACTS

2027-28 Apply for Work Study at NDA ONLINE

Learn More About Financial Assistance at NDA



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

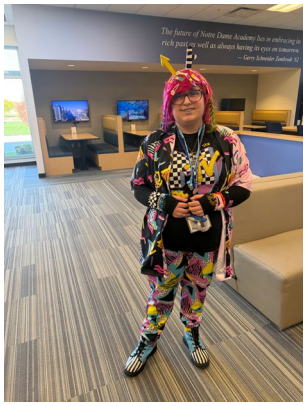


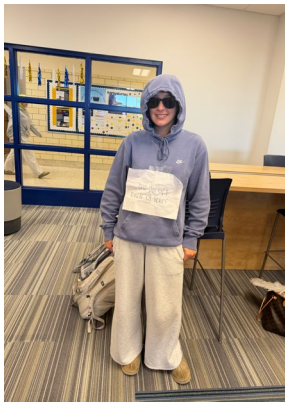
REPORTING ABSENCES

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.

HALLOWEEN AT NDA!














ATHLETIC DEPARTMENT

FROM THE DESK OF THE ATHLETIC DIRECTOR

PANDA ATHLETICS UPDATE

Cross Country

What an incredible state performance and an outstanding season for our Cross Country Pandas! Congratulations to every member of this team on a season to remember!

As the coaches shared:

"This season was about so much more than running. It was about faith, friendship, perseverance, and learning that we are always better (and FASTER) when we run together."

Special recognition to our State performers! Every performance deserves to be celebrated:

- Maggie, Norah, Abby, and Abigail rewrote the NDA all-time State Championship Top 10 list, now holding the 2nd, 4th, 6th, and 9th fastest performances in school history! They even managed to bump Coach Natalie off the list!
- Kay finished the season with a new personal record (PR).
- Ryan ran a season-best performance.
- Olivia closed out her high school career with a season-best performance!

Congratulations to the entire team and coaching staff on a fantastic season!

Year-End Banquet: November 12 at Notre Dame

Soccer

Congratulations to our Soccer Pandas on another great season! We look forward to celebrating the team and recognizing this year's accomplishments.

Year-End Awards: Wednesday, November 11 in the Theater

Volleyball

IT'S TIME TO PACK THE STANDS! Our Pandas are continuing their journey toward the State Championship, and they need your support!



George Rogers Clark High School
Friday, November 6
5:00 PM
versus West Jessamine

Get your tickets early! Ticket prices increase on game day. Tickets must be purchased online; no cash will be accepted at the gate.

Purchase tickets here:
https://gofan.co/event/6968744?schoolId=KHSAA

Let's bring the energy, fill those stands, and cheer our Pandas on as they continue their road to the Championship!

WINTER SPORTS ARE HERE!

Bowling

Our Bowling Pandas kick off their season this Thursday against Cooper at **Erlanger Strikes and Spares! Team photos will be taken on Monday Nov. 9th - following swimming and diving in the gym.**

Let's get this season rolling and get ready to cheer them on!

Swimming & Diving

The swimmers are getting ready to dive into their season! Their first meet is this Saturday, featuring sprint relays. **Team photos will be taken on Monday Nov. 9th - immediately after school in the gym.**

We can't wait to see what this team accomplishes this year. Get ready to cheer them on!

Archery

Archery practice is officially underway! The team is preparing for its first tournament, which will be hosted at Notre Dame Academythe first weekend of December. **Team photos will be taken on Monday Nov. 30th at 5:30pm.**

Good luck as they get ready for competition!

Basketball

Our Basketball Pandas are working hard and preparing for their season opener on **December 1! Team photos will be taken on Thursday Nov. 19th at 5:00pm in the gym.**

Keep putting in the work, ladies. We are looking forward to another exciting season!

Important Dates

November 8	Open House
November 9	Late Start
November 9-20	Canned Food Drive
November 14	Light the Night for NDA
November 17	Fall Sports Signing - Auditorium
	HSPT Pep Workshop 6:00-8:00 p.m.
November 18	Green Dot Bystander Training
November 18-20	Senior Retreat #2
November 19	Alumnae Rosary
	Alumnae Dinner Theatre
November 19-22	Footloose!
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 5	HSPT Prep Workshop 8:30-11:00 a.m.
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