



NOTRE DAME ACADEMY

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THE *nda* LIFE

Dear Parents,

We have much to be grateful for at NDA! We have dedicated faculty and staff who put their students first, a beautiful campus including a newly renovated and up-to-date facility, many co-curricular activities including the arts, athletics and various clubs. Most importantly though, at Notre Dame Academy, we are thankful for our students. Our students are committed to the process of learning. They are engaged and inspired. They work hard and achieve much success inside and outside of the classroom. They are taking responsibility for their education and they are learning to make a difference in the world. I have the privilege of seeing our students in action each and every day and I am inspired by their drive and determination.

This week our students are especially committed to filling the shelves at St. Vincent de Paul for those in need this winter. As I always do this time of year, I apologize if you are missing any canned foods items from your pantry but our Pandas are on a mission with their "Clash of Cans." The annual food drive led by our Student Council is in full swing and our students are very motivated and quite impressive in their efforts. Thank you for your support of our canned food drive and teaching your daughters how to make a difference!

Next Tuesday we will come together as a community at our Thanksgiving Prayer Service to give thanks for all that we have been blessed with this school year. You, our parents, and the tremendous support you offer us at NDA are certainly on our list of things for which we are grateful. I hope to see many of you Saturday night at our fall fundraiser, *Light the Night for NDA*. It is a wonderful event to gather our community in celebration of our mission.

Have a great week!

In Notre Dame,

Mr. Jack VonHandorf



Have a great day and make good choices!

ADVANCING OUR MISSION

LAST CHANCE!

LIGHT THE NIGHT FOR NDA

This year's fall fundraiser, *Light the Night for NDA*, will be held this Saturday evening from 6:00-11:00 p.m. at St. Elizabeth Training and Education Center (SETEC) in Erlanger. **Please join us for this important celebration of our mission in support of Catholic education at NDA! If you haven't already purchased your tickets for Light the Night for NDA, you can still do so [HERE](#) but be sure to do so soon as there is a limited number of tickets remaining!**

If you are unable to attend, you can still support the event with a donation, event sponsorship, purchasing a raffle ticket for the [Jewelry Raffle](#) or our [Bourbon Raffle](#) and by bidding on the [online auctions](#) starting this weekend! (Good news - Sr. Paul Ann's First Choice Raffle is SOLD OUT! Thanks to everyone who supported the First Choice Raffle!)

LIVE AUCTION



L100 Party at the Gardens

MARKET VALUE:
\$1,800

DONOR: McHale's Events and Catering



L101 Cruise on the Ohio River for 30

MARKET VALUE:
\$2,500

DONOR: Towne Properties



L102 PaNDA Puppy Love

MARKET VALUE:
Priceless

DONOR: Friends of NDA



L103 Blanton's Original Single Barrel

Full Complete Horse Collection - 8 Bottles

MARKET VALUE:
\$2,250



L104 Farmhouse Vacation

Just 30 Minutes Away

MARKET VALUE:
Priceless

DONOR: Mary Zalla



L105 Charming Charleston Condo

MARKET VALUE:
\$1,000

DONOR: Jim Parsons

Jewelry Raffle!

Winner chooses 1 of 3 beautiful diamond pieces (necklace, bracelet or earrings) in white or yellow gold. Generously donated by Herzog Jewelers.

**[PURCHASE JEWELRY
RAFFLE TICKETS HERE](#)**



**DON'T MISS THE CHANCE TO BID ON THESE
AWESOME LIVE AUCTION ITEMS SATURDAY NIGHT!**

Did you buy your bourbon raffle ticket yet?

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



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[OR CLICK HERE](#)



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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

Not able to attend Light the Night for NDA?

You can still support NDA by bidding on all of the amazing auction items [HERE](#).

We asked our Pandas "What a Teen Wants" and we have it!

SENIORS

If you have a senior at NDA, then this is the package for you. The senior events for the remainder of the 2022-2023 school year will be taken care of for you, and when graduation time rolls around, your family will be treated as VIPs.

JUNIORS

You might want your parents to bid on Air-Pods Pro, Gift certificates or a t-shirt quilt! OR you might want them to outbid some freshman parents for THE BEST SPOT IN THE LOT!

SOPHOMORES

Learning to drive? Your parents can bid on A-1 Driving School! Or how about a Gel Mani & Pedi or movie passes?

FRESHMEN

Attention Freshmen parents!! Your daughter will be coming home at the beginning of sophomore year so excited to design & purchase her NDA class ring!

**CHECK OUT ALL
OF THE AUCTION
ITEMS HERE!**

Student Life



ALL ARE WELCOME MORNING MASS

We will be celebrating Mass in our chapel on Thursday this week at 7:20 a.m. and praying a decade of the rosary on Friday at 7:40 a.m. in the chapel. All are welcome to join us!



CELEBRATING LIFE RESPECT LIFE MONTH

October was Respect Life month and LIFE Club and the Peer Ministers joined forces to collect monetary donations and baby items for 4 local pregnancy centers in NKY - CareNet, Rose Garden Mission, New Hope Pregnancy Center, and Madonna House of NKY.

For CareNet the NDA student body collected \$475 for the Baby Bottle Campaign! The student body collected: \$1220.00, 2821 diapers, and 75 packages of wipes which will be divided evenly between New Hope Center, Rose Garden Home Mission and Madonna House.

Also.....

On November 2nd, 15 members of NDA's LIFE Club volunteered their time to help with the St. Elizabeth Hospice Dove project. The girls labeled and packaged 1500 doves to be delivered to loved ones this holiday season. Ms. Julie Schuler, the coordinator for this program, had this to say about our pandas, "It was such a wonderful sight watching all the girls working so hard and putting their heartfelt love in every dove that they worked on...They are truly part of the success of our St. Elizabeth Dove program."



MAKING A DIFFERENCE CLASH OF CANS

Student Council's annual canned food drive is taking place until November 18. We are competing with Covington Catholic and Beechwood this year to see who will win our Clash of Cans! All of our food will go to St. Vincent de Paul.





PANDA GEAR

BAMBOOTIQUE SPIRIT WEAR SHOP

DEAL OF THE WEEK: Buy 1 pair of sweatpants at regular price, get a short sleeve t-shirt at 50% off. Shop online [HERE](#).

There's another way to get 10% off of your Bambootique purchases... Volunteer to work in the Bambootique! Please sign up to volunteer [HERE](#).

BAMBOOTIQUE HOLIDAY HOURS:

Monday thru Friday. 7:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

November 19, 26, Dec. 10, 17. 8:30 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.



CELEBRATING HISPANIC HERITAGE MONTH COLLABORATING PANDAS!

PANDIVERSITY and SPANISH CLUB collaborated to celebrate Hispanic Heritage Month by eating ethnic foods, learning Latina dances, and chalking flags of Hispanic countries on the front sidewalk!



SIGN UP TODAY!

NDA SKI TRIP

There is **ONE** open spot on the Colorado Ski Trip over MLK Day Weekend! Please make sure you are able to pay the \$2120 (if renting skis, \$1942 if bringing your own equipment) Payments will be made through FACTS. Final payment is due by November 28th.

Please be sure you are committed to the trip (January 12th-16th). Two days of classes (Thursday and Friday) will be missed, but will be excused absences. This spot is first come, first serve! First person to email Ms. Dooling (doolingm@ndapandas.org) will get the spot! Deadline to sign up is this Friday at 9am!

LET'S DANCE

FRESHMAN SEMI-FORMAL

Notre Dame Academy in collaboration with Covington Catholic presents their annual Freshman Winter Wonderland Semi-formal Dance scheduled for Saturday, December 3 from 8:00 p.m. until 10:30 p.m. at Notre Dame Academy in the Auditorium. The cost is \$15/person. Freshmen received more information with a link to the dance registration.





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!



RARE OPPORTUNITY

LATIN FIELD TRIP

Last Wednesday, Ms. Barne's dual credit Latin students visited the John Miller Burnam Classics library at the University of Cincinnati, the building known as Blegen on UC's main campus. The UC Classics library contains around 300,000 volumes, including a manuscript collection and rare book collection and it is one of the largest collections of books on Classical Antiquity in the world. In addition to all the books, the Blegen building and the UC Classics Department are home to a world-renowned archaeology program that sends teams of Roman and Greek archaeologists all over the world every year to excavate.

The students received a personal, in depth tour of the library and its extensive collections from the head librarian, Rebecka Lindau, and got to spend time up close working with both the manuscript and rare book collections with Mrs. Lindau. The students even got to flip through rare Latin books and manuscripts on their own, which included copies of some of the authors they read in class, as well as other Latin writings they would not have guessed even existed, such as medicinal recipes and books on plants.

After the library tour and time with the collections, the students got a private lesson with archaeologist Carol Hershenson, who is head of the artifact collections. Students learned about and even touched and handled several ancient artifacts from the UC archaeology collections. This included Ancient Greek pottery, a dagger, Roman glass, and an oil lamp -- items that are normally housed in museums and not able to be touched and examined up close.



DID YOU ORDER YOUR YEARBOOK?

YEARBOOK SALES

Parents: You can pre-order Notre Dame Academy's 2022-23 yearbook, *Finding our Groove*, at jostensyearbooks.com. 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.



ATHLETIC DEPARTMENT

CONGRATULATIONS!

ATHLETIC SIGNING

Notre Dame Academy recently hosted its 2022 Athletic Signing for 12 outstanding senior athletes. The NDA athletes made their college decisions final by signing letters of intent to continue their sports careers at college in front of their families, friends, former and future coaches and school staff.

Signing a letter of intent was an exciting next step in life that each of the NDA athletes was prepared to take. Congratulations to the following student athletes:

Grace Autry - Gonzaga University - Rowing

Kayla Hostetler - Eastern Michigan University - Volleyball

Peyton Mast - University of New Haven - Volleyball

Sophie Anderson - Centre College - Swimming

Lainy Kruger - University of Florida - Swimming

Noelle Hubert - Northern Kentucky University - Basketball

Ellie Greenwell - Ohio University - Soccer

Hanna Peace - Reinhardt University - Lacrosse

Kamden Schrand - University of Louisville - Volleyball

Kennedy Clark - Xavier University - Soccer

Abby Unkraut - University of Georgia - Soccer

Sydney Nolan - University of North Carolina - Volleyball



COUPON BOOKS!

TIME FOR PICK UP

COUPON BOOKS ARE IN!

Have your daughter pick up her coupon books, if she is selling them, after school.

FINE ARTS

NEWS FROM THE ART DEPARTMENT

VISUAL ART STUDENTS GETTING CHANCES TO EXHIBIT THEIR WORK

The Connie O'Donnell Student Invitational

Three Notre Dame Seniors were selected to exhibit work in the Connie O'Donnell Student Invitational Held at the Behringer Crawford Museum earlier this year. Congratulations to Keira Schneider, Gracyn White Gaby Epplen for having your work selected. Special congratulations Gaby Epplen for having her piece earn Runner-Up.



- Gaby Epplen

Xavier University High School Art Exhibition

Two Notre Dame Art students were selected to show their work in the Xavier University High School Art Exhibition. Congratulations to Caroline Joyce and Keira Schneider for being selected to exhibit their work.

Thomas More University Juried High School Exhibition

For this juried exhibition, over 300 pieces were entered to be selected for the exhibition, about 40 pieces ended up being selected and out of those pieces, 7 were from Notre Dame Art students. Congratulations to Natalye Nguyen, Madison Russell, Jasmine Barczak, Caroline Joyce, Sammie Flowers, Janie McManus, and Keira Schneider for having their work juried and selected to exhibit. Special Congratulations to Keira Schneider for earning a Faculty Choice Award for her piece.



- Natalye Nguyen



- Madison Russell



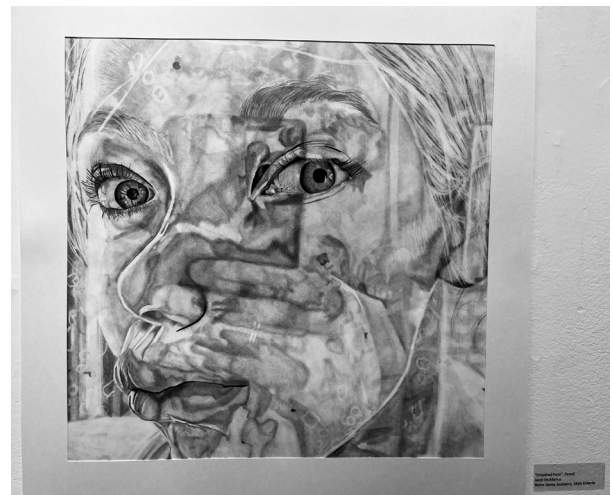
- Jasmine Barczak



- Caroline Joyce



- Sammie Flowers



- Janie McManus



- Keira Schneider



COUNSELING AND STUDENT SERVICES



COLLEGE
REP VISITS

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.

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GSP

THE KY GOVERNOR'S SCHOLARS PROGRAM

The [GSP website](#) 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 APPLICATION WALK-THROUGH VIDEO (teaches how to submit materials).

APPLICATIONS DUE JANUARY 8, 2023 BY 11:59 PM.

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](#).

GSE

THE KY GOVERNOR'S SCHOOL FOR ENTREPRENEURS



The Governor's School for Entrepreneurs (GSE) **IS NOW OPEN UNTIL 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 scholarship opportunities from Kentucky's universities and colleges. Visit www.KentuckyGSE.com to learn more and to apply:

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, December 14 from 4:30-5:30

Wednesday, January 4 from 4:30-5:30



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

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

Important dates

November 17	Mass in Chapel 7:20 a.m. - All are welcome!
November 18	Rosary in Chapel 7:40 a.m. - Please join us! Panda FunFest for 8th graders!
November 19	Light the Night for NDA 6:00 p.m. at SETEC
November 22	Thanksgiving Prayer Service
November 23	No School: Thanksgiving Break College Welcome Back Night
November 24-25	No School: Thanksgiving Break
November 29 - Dec. 1	Senior Retreat #2
December 3	FR Semi Formal Dance at NDA
December 7	Christmas Choral Concert
December 8	No School - Feast of the Immaculate Conception
December 9	In School Band and Choral Concert (ADJ)
December 10	HSPT and ACT at NDA Silver Bells at Newport Car Barn
December 11	Band Christmas Concert
December 12	Advent Mass
December 13	Quilt Show
December 16, 19, 20	Exams
December 21 - January 2	Christmas Break