



THE *nda* LIFE

Dear Parents,

It's hard to believe we are halfway through summer. I hope you and your family have had some time to relax together and enjoy the beautiful weather this season provides.

Our Athletic Dead Period has ended so our campus is alive with all sorts of activities and athletic camps once again. It's great to see our students and future students having fun together throughout our campus.

Yesterday several of our incoming freshmen joined us for Mass and a summer service event. These young women are already learning what it's like to be a Panda - coming together through the sacrifice of the Eucharist, working hard to help those in need, enjoying each others company and sharing a meal. Together they are celebrating their Catholic faith and learning the importance of making a difference in the world and that's what the NDA sisterhood is all about.

I had the pleasure of meeting with a Notre Dame Academy alumna and donor this morning. We talked about all sorts of things but what struck me the most was the value she places on the single gender Catholic education she received at NDA. She expressed her gratitude for that experience and went on to tell me how it has positively impacted her life. Like many of our alumnae, she continues to support our school because she believes in what we are doing each and every day - transforming young women to become female leaders who embrace God's goodness in the world. I would like to thank you, our parents, for the support you offer Notre Dame Academy so that we can continue the important work the Sisters of Notre Dame began at NDA over a century ago.

PLEASE NOTE: Our Parent Nights are coming up in August. As you can see on the calendar below, Freshman Parent Night will be held on Tuesday, August 9 at 6:30 p.m. and Sophomore/Junior/Senior Parent Night will be held on Wednesday, August 10 at 6:30 p.m. I hope to see you there.

Enjoy the rest of your summer!

In Notre Dame,

Mr. Jack VonHandorf



Our freshman making PLARN which is used to knit re-purposed plastic shopping bags into sleeping mats for those in need.

REGISTER TODAY

NDA GOLF OUTING

NDA's annual golf outing is July 29 at Kenton County Golf Course. Enjoy the 18 hole event or come out for the fun 9 hole social that day to support NDA athletics. Register [HERE](#).

Feel like shopping? Head over the [NDA Golf Outing's Amazon Wishlist](#) and support the outing by helping to purchase items for the auction baskets!



NOTRE DAME ACADEMY

2022 GOLF OUTING SCRAMBLE

Friday, July 29, 2022 - Kenton County Golf Course

Swing Into Action and support NDA Athletics!

18 Hole Outing 8a Shotgun

@ Willows \$125

Fun 9 Hole Social 10:30a Shotgun

@ Pioneer \$90

REGISTER HERE

Games, Green Fees, Cart

Auction

Food & Reception

Fun, Festivities and Fundraising!

Student Life



NDA DATA MANAGEMENT FINALFORMS UPDATES

All parents and students are expected to use FinalForms at NDA. Incoming freshmen should all have received their NDA email account information which is needed to set up the FinalForms account. **Account creation and parent/student verification are due by August 15 unless you are a fall athlete – updates are required by tryouts. Instructions are shared below:**

If you already have an account for a returning student:

Login to your account and click MY STUDENTS to get started.

If you need to create an account:

Please create an account at: <https://notredameacademy-ky.finalforms.com> and follow the prompts to create the parent account, begin your daughter's account and sign your forms. Your daughter's NDA gmail should be used when setting up her account. Once the parent/guardian creates the account, the student will be prompted in her NDA email to submit her forms.

Please note: if you have already turned in your daughter's immunization record, you do not need to upload separately. School personnel will upload for you.

If you have any issues or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact Mrs. Grayson at graysona@ndapandas.org.

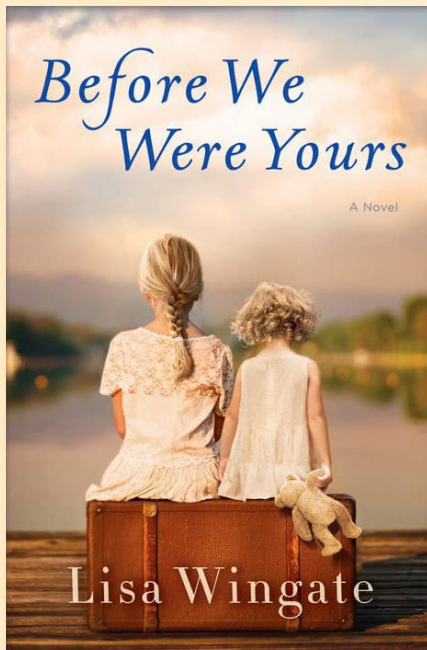
Attention Athletes:

When signing up for Final Forms, please select all sports that your daughter may participate in. You can always login and remove her from a sport at a later time, but selecting a sport will ensure that you receive information about the sport from the coach. You must be signed up in FinalForms with a sport selected to receive sport communications after the dead period.

We are currently in the dead period which goes through Sunday July 10. During this time, there can be no communication with our coaching staff or use of our facilities.

Please note that there is a coupon book selection that is required for student athletes in Final Forms. If you are unsure whether your daughter will participate in a sport, you may want to select "sell no books" so that you are not financially responsible for the books if your daughter decides not to participate in athletics. If you sign up to sell coupon books, those books will be printed for you and you will be financially responsible for them even if your daughter chooses later not to do a sport.

In order to tryout or engage in workouts starting July 15, your daughter must have a current KHSAA physical uploaded to Final Forms.



2022-23

COMMON READER

The Common Reader book for the 22-23 school year is *Before We Were Yours* by Lisa Wingate, and the Common Reader Day is scheduled for Wednesday, September 7. On this day, we have invited author Judy Christie to serve as our keynote (virtual) speaker. Judy co-authored the book *Before and After* with Lisa Wingate. This book is a follow up to *Before We Were Yours* and shares the lives and true stories of the survivors of the Tennessee Children's Home Society. The book *Before and After* is another highly recommended read as it celebrates and honors those whose lives were greatly impacted by Georgia Tann's operation - some for the better and others not. [CLICK HERE](#) to learn more about this book.

Students interested in serving on the Common Reader Committee (CRC), please submit your information [HERE](#). Our first committee meeting is scheduled for next Wednesday, July 20 at 9:00 a.m. in Alumnae Hall.

Other required summer reading for all grades can be found [HERE](#).



IMPORANT INFORMATION

SUMMER OFFICE HOURS

July 11 - July 29	9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.
Beginning August 1	8:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.

LET'S DANCE!

DANCE PANDAS AUDITIONS

Auditions for the Dance Pandas will be held on Thursday, July 28 from 12:00 p.m. - 2:00 p.m. in the NDA theatre.

Anyone wishing to audition should email the Dance Pandas coach, Ms. Pauly, at paulyh@ndapandas.org to sign up no later than 5:00 p.m. on Wednesday July 27. Please include your grade level and dance experience when emailing.

At auditions, a short pom and kick line routine will be taught. Dancers may also be asked to demonstrate special skills (tumbling/acro/etc.) and improv. Please come warmed up and dressed in clothing/shoes that you are comfortable dancing in.

Please email Ms. Pauly with any other questions!



IMPORTANT DATES:

MARK YOUR CALENDAR

2022-2023 CALENDAR

[CLICK HERE](#) to access NDA's Google calendar which is accessible through the school's website. Some summer events are highlighted below.

Mark Your Calendars:

July 12	Freshmen Service
July 21	Freshmen Parent Meet and Greet
July 29	Athletic Department Golf Outing
August 1-4	Bridge Program for incoming Freshmen
August 1-5	Freshmen iPad Set Up Session
August 8	Faculty In-Service Day
August 9	Freshmen Orientation Freshmen Parent Night
August 10	Sophomore/Junior/Senior Parent Night
August 11	Faculty In-Service
August 12	Faculty/Staff In-Service
August 16	First Day of School



PANDA DRESS CODE

UNIFORMS FOR 2022-2023

Get ready for the next school year and looking to purchase new uniform pieces? Visit Schoolbelles' website at <http://www.schoolbelles.com/myschool/M37/s1935> to purchase.

Approved Uniform pieces are listed below as stated in our Student/Parent Handbook: Notre Dame Academy has a school uniform that consists of:

- a gray uniform skirt or uniform slacks (the skirt or pants must fit properly, be zipped and buttoned, hemmed appropriately and free of stains, rips, and/or holes). Students are required to obtain a new skirt or pants if it no longer zips, has tears, holes, or stains. **Please note: Skirt should extend below student's fingertips when arms are fully extended at one's side.**
- a white or light blue banded Notre Dame Academy polo shirt
- solid white, gray, black or navy blue socks
- appropriate shoes that have a back to them
- name tag/lanyard

Optional items that may be purchased and worn with the uniform include:

- a navy blue Notre Dame Academy pullover sweater
- a navy blue Notre Dame Academy cardigan sweater
- **a navy blue Notre Dame sweater vest - new item!**
- a navy blue Notre Dame Academy sweatshirt (available for purchase through Schoolbelles and NDA's Bambootique)
- a navy blue Notre Dame Academy fleece
- a navy blue blazer with NDA's emblem for special occasions such as Mass, award ceremonies, etc.
- gray, black, or navy blue leggings
- black dress slacks for designated events

Hey Pandas!



ATTENTION SENIORS

SENIOR APPLICATION WORKSHOP SIGN UP

Believe it or not seniors, it's time to start getting ready for your final year at NDA and the college application process. Mrs. Erin Stanley recently sent an email to all seniors with a link to sign up for a Senior Application Workshop session. Attending one of these sessions is mandatory so PLEASE take time to read this email and encourage your friends to do the same! This is the first of many important emails you will receive from Mrs. Stanley this year. so please be diligent in reading each one completely and thoroughly!

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SENIOR PARENTS

Senior Retreat lists were sent out to the Seniors on Tuesday, July 12. Please make sure your daughter has checked to verify which retreat she is assigned to based on their availability information that was turned in at the end of May. More specific information will be emailed to the senior parents a few weeks prior to their daughter's assigned senior retreat. It is very important, especially for those students assigned to the August retreat, that your daughter's Final Forms are updated by August 5 so that we have the most up to date information. All senior retreats are held at St. Annes' Retreat Center in Melbourne, KY and it is a required activity.

Notre Dame Academy Juniors and Seniors Alumnae Mentor Program Opportunity

How does the program work?
Our Alumnae office will match you with an alumnae mentor who works in the field you are most interested in pursuing after college. From there you will meet with her monthly and talk about life, school, college and more!



GREAT OPPORTUNITY FOR JUNIORS & SENIORS

SIGN UP FOR THE ALUMNAE MENTOR PROGRAM!

Classes of 2023 and 2024: Have you ever wanted to job shadow with an NDA alumna who works in the same career field you are interested in? If so, we are inviting you to apply to our Alumnae Mentor Program for the 2022-23 school year. If accepted, this program pairs you with an Alumnae Mentor on a one-on-one basis to develop a great relationship now and for your future. Alumnae Mentors provide you with valuable advice and information for various career options in your field of interest, discuss the best college programs for you, teach you how to develop a compelling resume, let you job shadow to experience a typical day in their profession, plus much more! You can find the application [HERE](#).



How do I apply?
Fill out the application by copying this link:
<https://forms.gle/72vpqdsuFCYb1xkj8>
It is quick and easy and will help us pair you with the best mentor.

Where do we meet?
You and your mentor will meet monthly to discuss what you are interested in or what you would like help with. You can meet on campus, at a coffee shop or wherever you and your mentor agree upon. You can even shadow her at her job if it permits!

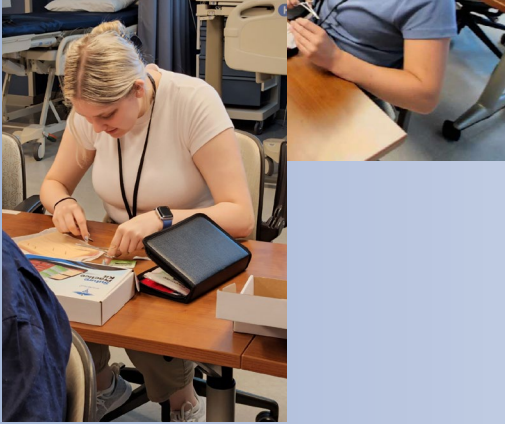


Email Ms. Ginney at ginneym@ndapandas.org for more information



EXPLORING HEALTH RELATED CAREERS SND HEALTHCARE EXPERIENCE

The Sisters of Notre Dame sponsored a healthcare experience for students in three of their schools. Four of our own students were chosen to attend the program at St. Claire Regional Hospital near Morehead University. The students were Jacquelyn Brueggemann, Kayla Northcutt, MaryElle Reynolds and Sammie Poulos. Mrs. Mueller chaperoned the week. This was a great opportunity to explore health related careers and be able to meet students from other SND schools.



JOIN US SUMMER ROSARY

This morning was a beautiful day to pray the rosary! Several alumnae and members of our community joined us today for our July Summer Rosary.

Our NDA Alumnae Prayer Group will continue to meet on the 2nd Wednesday of each month this summer at 9:30 a.m. to pray the rosary in front of school on Marian Circle. Please join us on August - all are welcome and we would love to see some of our students there!



MAKE A DIFFERENCE

LIVING THE MISSION OF NDA SERVICE OPPORTUNITIES

There are some upcoming Service Opportunities that have been shared with NDA. These opportunities can be found [HERE](#) and were shared with the students via email. Encourage your daughter to participate in some service work with non-profits over the summer - it is a great way to live out their faith and give back to the community. Parish Festivals and Vacation Bible Schools are always looking for extra help from high school students! Remind them to log any and all service work for Non-Profits into their Mobile Serve account. Freshmen will be receiving information soon about how to create a Mobile Serve Account and instructions for how to log any service work that they have completed since June 1.



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MASS, PLARN AND PIZZA!

FRESHMAN SUMMER SERVICE PROJECT

Yesterday many of our incoming freshmen came to NDA to attend the Freshman Summer Service Project - Mass, PLARN, and Pizza. They began by celebrating the Mass together in the chapel with some of our Panda Ambassadors and Peer Ministers. After Mass, they made PLARN (PLastic + yARN) which is used to knit or crochet re-purposed plastic shopping bags into sleeping mats. These mats can be used by unsheltered homeless individuals to provide a waterproof barrier for sleeping on the ground. After they made PLARN, our freshmen enjoyed eating pizza together. This was a great event for our new Pandas to get to know one another and to start living the mission of Notre Dame Academy by making a difference in the world!



SUCCESS IN SCULPTURE

JR. HIGH SUMMER ART STUDIO CAMP

Students who attended NDA's Jr. High Summer Art Studio Camp created some beautiful sculptures! We would like to thank Mr. Adam Schmidt for teaching the class this year. Mr. Schmidt said that, "The kids enjoyed themselves and made the atmosphere uplifting and encouraging." Mr. Schmidt was very proud of the work his summer students produced and appreciative to NDA Art Teacher, Mr. Matt Eckerle for his help and support.



SOUNDS GOOD!

BAND UPDATE

Mr. Cerimele says this has been one of the BEST summer Beginners Bands! **EVENING BAND CAMP** begins on Monday July 25 at 7:30 - 9:20 p.m. at the NDA Marching Lot.

Mr. Cerimele will design the Blocking and Short Drill for the band's Halftime Show. All band members plan to attend Evening Band Camp to help facilitate that process - grades 7* - 12. The band's **FIRST** halftime show is **EARLY** this year- **AUGUST 19** and the **COLOR GUARD** and **DANCE TEAM** are also on board with this early start.



COMMUNITY



NEWS

SHARING OUR

Community News

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

- Pro-Life Boot Camp
- Bringing the gift of music to students
- Seeking lower tuition payments?

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August 15	Holy Day of Obligation - Feast of the Assumption
August 16	First Day of the 2022-23 School Year