



THE *nda* LIFE

Dear Parents,

We continue this Lenten Season to prepare ourselves for the gift of the risen Christ on Easter. As you know, our students have many opportunities at NDA to deepen their relationship with God, especially during Lent. Thanks to our Campus Minister, Bridget Price, and our Chaplain, Fr. Connor Kunath, the celebration of the Mass, praying the rosary and the Sacrament Reconciliation are all available to our students throughout the school year. By participating in these opportunities, our students will deepen their relationship with God and further understand what it means to live the mission of Notre Dame Academy.

It's hard to believe it but we are in the fourth quarter of the school year already. It can be difficult to focus on school with spring break right around the corner and all of the activities that accompany springtime. I encourage our students to finish strong this school year by continuing to do their best and concentrate on their academics.

Please note the important financial information listed below. Applications for Financial Aid and Work Study are due April 15. Financial assistance requests increase each year. We cannot stress enough the importance of getting your application in early. Late applications run the risk of financial aid funding being exhausted.

I am grateful for the many ways we are connected through our mission at Notre Dame Academy. In the tradition of the Sisters of Notre Dame, our goal is to produce young women who have a fundamental desire to seek excellence and make a difference not only for themselves, but also for the world at large. We do this by offering challenging academic programs and a multitude of co-curricular opportunities that include community service, student life, fine arts, leadership and athletics. We are blessed with the support of so many parents, families, alumnae and friends of NDA who deeply believe in our mission. We appreciate your continued support in our efforts to provide a premiere education rooted in the Catholic faith.

In Notre Dame,

Mr. Jack VonHandorf



Student Life

NOTRE DAME ACADEMY



IMPORTANT PRESENTATION BODY PEACE WEEK STUDENT ASSEMBLY

On Monday, March 20, students will hear from Drug Prevention Speakers Cody and John who will share valuable information while sharing from their own personal experiences. School will dismiss at 2:15 p.m. on this day for faculty and staff training.



NOTRE DAME ACADEMY
Bambootique

PANDA GEAR

BAMBOOTIQUE SPIRIT WEAR SHOP

Spruce up your Panda's spring wardrobe with some new Panda gear from the Bambootique! You can 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](#).



IT'S ALMOST HERE!

GRADUATION INFORMATION

Attention Seniors and Senior Parents: Fourth quarter is here which means graduation is nearing! [CLICK HERE](#) to view relevant graduation information, scroll to the second page of the document and mark your calendars accordingly. You won't want to miss a thing!

**IMPORTANT
INFORMATION
PLEASE READ**

ATTENTION PARENTS

ATTENDANCE EMAIL

We have created an attendance email for parents to call in a sick child or if a student is leaving early from school. 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 859-261-4300.



IMPORTANT FINANCIAL INFORMATION

Work Study Job Application Deadline: April 15, 2023

Financial Aid Applications & Academic and Tuition Assistance Scholarships

The application for work study jobs is available on the website [HERE](#) and is due by **April 15, 2023**. When you click on the link, you will be prompted to create your own copy of the spreadsheet as a Google Sheet so you are able to type right into it. Completed applications should be emailed to workstudy@ndapandas.org.

Financial aid applications are also now open and will remain open until **April 15, 2023**.

If you are in need of financial assistance OR are looking to do work study the application with FACTS must be completed before anything else. Financial assistance requests increase each year. We cannot stress enough the importance of getting your application in early. Late applications run the risk of financial aid funding being exhausted. You can access the Financial Assistance page of the website [HERE](#).

If a family receives financial assistance, a family member is expected to have a work study job.

We are currently accepting applications for Academic Scholarships. Applications can be found on the website [HERE](#) and are due in the front office no later than April 15, 2023.



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!



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DIOCESAN SURVEY

WHAT'S IN YOUR HEART?

This Lent, your parish will be conducting a survey on discipleship called the Disciple Maker Index (DMI), and they need to hear from you! As part of the diocesan With One Heart initiative, the survey will ask you to reflect on your own spiritual growth and on your parish's efforts to help you become the best disciple you can be. The DMI will be accessible online from February 22 through March 27 and will take 10-15 minutes to complete. Check your parish bulletin, website, and listen for pulpit announcements for more information, or go to <https://covdio.org/WithOneHeart>. Take the Disciple Maker Index this Lent!

ORDER YOUR YEARBOOK

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YEARBOOK RECOGNITION ADS

Mr. Glynn and NDA's Publication students do an amazing job capturing the school year in our yearbook. Each publication is a wonderful keepsake for our students. Parents: don't miss out on the opportunity to order your 2022-23 yearbook, *Finding our Groove*, at jostensyearbooks.com.

Senior Parents, recognize your daughter with a yearbook recognition ad. You can read more details below:

Let's hear it for the band!

MAKING MUSIC

BUSY BAND SEASON

Our NDA/CCH Band has been busy lately! Take a look and mark your calendar for the Spring Band Concert - April 30 from 4 - 5 p.m. at NDA's theatre.



ROARING '20s

PROM/AFTER PROM NEWS

We are excited for the 2023 Prom, which will be held on Friday, March 24 from 7:30-11:30 p.m. at Music Hall. The theme for this year's Prom is Great Gatsby/Roaring '20s.

After Prom will be held from 11:15 p.m. - 2:30 a.m. at NKU's Recreation Center. All students MUST turn in the After Prom Form indicating whether or not they will be attending After Prom.

If a student needs to arrive late or leave early for Prom or After Prom a written note from a parent would be required in advance. Again, we are looking forward to a great event this year. If you have any questions or concerns please feel free to contact Mrs. Kimberly Wagner at wagnerk@ndapandas.org.



AFTERPROM

THE FUN CONTINUES!

AFTERPROM 2023

After Prom 2023 is on Friday, March 24 immediately following Prom and will be held at **Northern Kentucky University Campus Recreation Center from 11:15 p.m. - 2:30 a.m.** NDA After Prom at NKU will be a fun filled evening for juniors and seniors and their guests! **After Prom admission is included with your Prom Tickets.**

The NKU REC CENTER will have lots to do, including the pool, hot tub, diving boards, pool deck movie, roller skating rink, racquetball courts, dry land rock climbing wall, basketball court, volleyball court, locker rooms, air brush tattoo artist, cool hang out areas and an amazing hypnotist Show to end the night. NDA After Prom will have lots of delicious late night food favorites including Cane's Chicken, LaRosa's Pizza and a Coffee/Donut Bar. NDA students will have chances to win cool prizes like Air Pods, Kendra Scott Jewelry, and gift cards... just to name a few!

PRIZES

We are asking for parents help with gift items for **AFTER PROM** to make the evening more fun and exciting for the students. You can donate any desirable items that you may not need, themed gift baskets, or gift cards. All donations can be dropped off at the school office attention Olivia Ghazala by March 22.

VOLUNTEERS & FOOD DONATIONS

Parents please consider signing up to give a couple of hours of your time, food donations or gift cards for prizes. We are using SignUpGenius.com to organize our sign-ups.

1. Click this link to go to <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/30E0B44A9A62CA1F49-ndaafter1>
2. **NDA After Prom 2023/ NDA After Prom Parent Donations** is the name of our sign-up event
3. Sign Up! – Choose your spots – SignUpGenius.com will send you a confirmation and reminders.

If you have any questions regarding After Prom please email Janna Collins janna.collins@twc.com.

Thank you in advance for your assistance and support!

ATHLETIC DEPARTMENT



GREAT OPPORTUNITY TO GET INVOLVED!

GOLF OUTING COMMITTEE NEEDED

If you are looking for a fun way to get involved as an athletic parent at NDA, join the golf outing committee! The committee plans the golf outing fundraiser that supports NDA athletics. The outing will be Friday July 28th at Kenton County. We will have one committee meeting a month March-June and then two meetings in July leading up to the outing. Email Athletic Director, Myanna Webster at websterm@ndapandas.org if you are interested!

RIGHT ON TARGET

PANDA ARCHERY NEWS



Good luck to our Archery Pandas who will compete on Friday, March 17 at the NASP KENTUCKY STATE TOURNAMENT in Louisville!

ARCHERY PANDAS ROCK!

COUNSELING AND STUDENT SERVICES



GREAT OPPORTUNITY

SND SUMMER RURAL HEALTHCARE EXPERIENCE OPPORTUNITY

This summer the Sisters of Notre Dame would like to be able to bring their schools from all regions of the country together to offer them a healthcare experience at St. Claire Regional Hospital near Morehead University. The program would be from Sunday, June 18 - Thursday, June 22. Three students (rising juniors or seniors) from our school would be selected to go to Morehead, KY and stay in a local hotel there while participating in healthcare educational activities through St. Claire Regional Hospital. All sophomores and juniors were emailed about this opportunity and given the link to apply. Deadline to submit the application is by March 23. Late entries will not be considered.

IMPORTANT ISSUES

GREEN DOT CLUB MEMBERS SPREAD THE WORD

Green Dot club members from NDA and CCH have been visiting local schools to help spread some important messages about many of the challenges that middle school and high school students face. The Green Dot leaders presented on issues like bullying, peer pressure, mental health and healthy relationships. Here are some photos from our most recent visit to St. Agnes.





GREAT OPPORTUNITY

KENTUCKY GIRLS STATE

Kentucky Girls State is an opportunity for young women who have completed their Junior year of high school to learn more about government through the establishment of a mock government in a mythical 51st state, developing political parties, conducting elections, passing legislation, and serving in city and state offices. Participants will also visit the State Capitol in Frankfort. This year's session is June 5-9 on the campus of Western Kentucky University in Bowling Green, KY. Click [HERE](#) for more information and the application, which is due May 15. Contact Mrs. Hildreth with any questions.



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.

ENTER TODAY

THE 2023 DFCA ESSAY SCHOLARSHIP CONTEST IS NOW OPEN

Choose ONE of these 5 topics for your one-page essay:

How has Drug Free Clubs of America affected or changed your:

1. Family
2. School
3. Community
4. Friends and yourself

- OR - (for multi-year members only):

5. How do you view the club differently from the beginning to now?

- **\$2000.00 TOP AWARD, \$1000.00 Runner-up Award, four \$250.00 Finalist Awards**
- **One-page essay due by MARCH 17**
- **Essays must be one-page, typed, single-spaced, 1-inch margins, Arial font size no bigger than 12**

Click [HERE](#) to see all contest details, rules, and to complete the application - which must be submitted with the essay.

UPDATED!

NDA PARENT TOOLBOX

NDA's counselors have put together some very useful tools for our parent [HERE](#).





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Drug Prevention Presentation for Parents

MONDAY, MARCH 20, 2023 at NDA

WHO:

Cody and John (Cody Knuckles and John Humphries) speak on drug prevention and making better choices, especially regarding vaping, marijuana, and alcohol - the true gateway drugs.

WHAT:

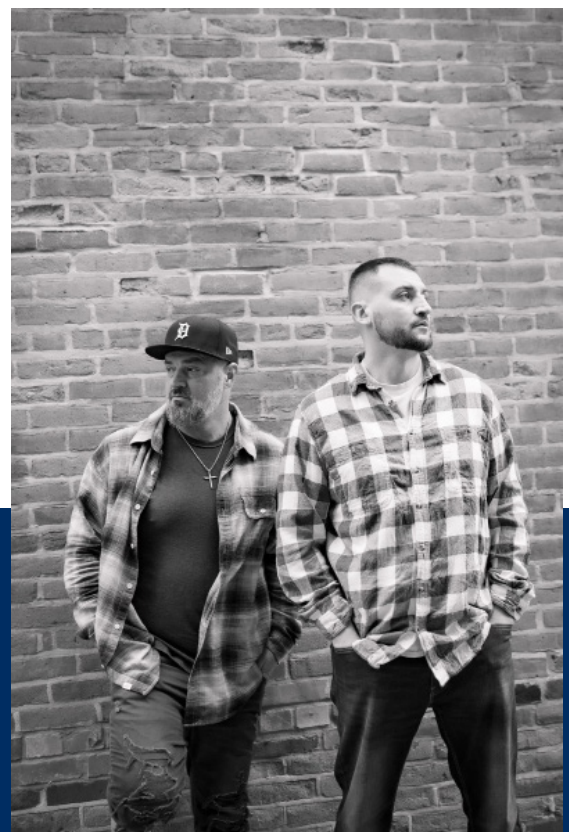
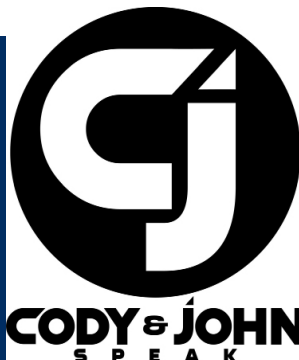
Parent Presentation, open to all NDA and CCH parents. In addition to focusing on vaping, marijuana, and alcohol, the presentation will also include information regarding overcoming adversity, developing resilience, social/emotional/mental health and how to make better choices.

WHEN:

Monday, March 20, 7:00-8:30 p.m.

WHERE:

Notre Dame Academy Theatre



ADVANCING OUR MISSION



NOTRE DAME ACADEMY

Educating Women to Make a Difference in the World



Panda Preview Night March 21 | 6:30-8 pm

Attention 6th and 7th graders!

This is your chance to get a head start on the 8th grade! Learn about NDA life and how to get ready for high school.

Attention 8th graders!

Come and take another look at all that Notre Dame Academy has to offer!

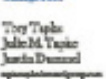
Reservations are required for this event.

You can register by scanning this QR code to the right:
(Deadline: March 18)



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NEWS

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

- Positions Available for Students and Parents
- Keep the Children in Your Life Safe Online
- Pro-Educational Choice Constitutional Amendment
- Dual Credit in Northern Kentucky
- Sisters of Notre Dame Ash Wednesday – Day of Recollection
- Sisters of Notre Dame Hiring
- Important EdChoice Information
- Seeking Lower Tuition Payments?

Important dates

March 15	SO Retreat at the Heights
March 16	National Latin Exam during classes
March 18	8th Grade Conferences
March 20	Body Peace Week begins
March 21	Panda Preview Night for incoming students
March 24	Senior Mass at the Cathedral
	Prom at Music Hall - early dismissal
March 27	National French Exam during class
March 28	National Spanish Exam during class
March 30	Alumnae Dinner Theatre
	National Spanish Exam during class
March 31	Musical Opening 7 p.m.
April 1	Musical 7 p.m.
	Girl Up Day
April 2	Musical 2 p.m.
April 3	Holy Week Prayer Service
April 4	National French Exam during class
	Diocesan Track Meet at NDA
April 6	Holy Thursday - No School
April 7	Good Friday - No School
April 9	Easter
April 10-14	Spring Break
April 17	School Resumes