



An e-Newsletter for the Families of Notre Dame Academy

LETTER FROM THE PRINCIPAL ◀

Dear Parents,

I hope that you are staying safe and healthy this summer. As you read in your email from Dr. Koehl and me last week, we are making the most of our break developing a plan to safely welcome our students back to campus on AUGUST 12. Our 2020-21 School Planning Team, along with several subcommittee members, are working very hard to ensure the necessary health and safety measures are in place prior to the return of our students.

As the COVID-19 situation is constantly evolving, our 2020-21 School Planning Team is putting together three plans for the upcoming school year:

- Plan 1 - Full return to school with safety precautions in place
- Plan 2 - Combination of online and in person classes to reduce the number of students at school
- Plan 3 - Full remote learning

The good news is that we are following **Plan 1** with a full return of everyone to school for the 2020-21 school year with safety precautions in place at this time. **Our first day of school will be on Wednesday, August 12 as originally planned.** Our school calendar for 2020-21 has not changed.

Additional information regarding our health and safety policies for the upcoming school year will be shared in mid-July. This will include important information about precautions we will be taking on campus to mitigate the spread of COVID-19 as well as our healthy policies and protocols regarding a possible coronavirus diagnosis within our NDA community. We will also share information with you at that time about our Back to School nights for parents and opportunities for our students to visit campus prior to the first day of school to ensure that they are comfortable with the changes we are making.

We appreciate the cooperation of our entire NDA community throughout these challenging times. As we move forward, please know that our goal is to protect the health and wellbeing of our students, faculty and staff while continuing to meet our responsibility to educate our students.

Please remind your daughters that we are continuing to *Cultivate Hope and Happiness, Strengthened by God's Love* this summer. We are doing that in part by doing all that we can to mitigate the spread of COVID-19! I look forward to seeing our students back at NDA in August and I wish you and your family a healthy and blessed summer.

In Notre Dame,

Mr. Jack VonHandorf

*Cultivating hope and happiness,
Strengthened by God's love.*



I can do all things through Christ who strengthens me.
Philippians 4:13

STUDENT LIFE

ATTENTION CLASS OF 2021 ◀

This past Spring, you would have heard from Prestige Photography as they prepare to take Senior photos, specifically the required drape photos. [CLICK HERE](#) to view the informational video they would have shown to you this past May.

Please see the [attached document](#) for scheduling your session for the drape photo. Mr. Glynn and our Publications Class will need your drape photo by October 15, 2020, so take advantage of the summer months to check this off your list.



PROM ◀

Due to current social distancing guidelines as set forth by the Kentucky Department of Health and the CDC, this year's Prom has been canceled and will not be rescheduled to an on-campus event.

FINALFORMS - ACTION REQUESTED ◀

If you haven't done so already, please update your FinalForms account for the 2020-2021 school year. Both parent/guardian and student are required to sign off on the forms before they are fully complete. [CLICK HERE](#) for instructions on how to access your account or for Freshmen or transfer students, learn how to create an account [HERE](#).

Please note that a COVID-19 Screening Questionnaire was added to all FinalForms accounts in mid-June. For parents whose accounts were updated or created prior to June 15, you will be asked to sign off on the questionnaire to update your account.

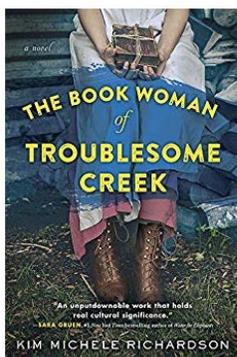
CLASS OF 2020

JULY GRADUATION CELEBRATION ◀

We look forward to celebrating you as a class next month at NDA's Graduation Celebration. The two-day celebration will encompass some of the traditional graduation experiences including the traditional signing of the wall, viewing the Senior Send Off video, wearing your caps and gowns and recognizing each graduate as is typically done at the Graduation Breakfast. We will continue to work on these details in the upcoming weeks as directives from the Kentucky Department of Health and the CDC continue to evolve and guide our planning. Please look for an RSVP in a future email.

SUMMER READING ASSIGNMENTS ◀

Over the summer, NDA's faculty, staff and students will read our annual Common Reader Book. This year's book is *The Book Woman of Troublesome Creek* by Kim Michele Richardson which focuses on the historical blue people of Kentucky and the fierce and brave Kentucky Packhorse librarians. The book touches on issues of miscegenation, bigotry, poverty, the Depression, Roosevelt's WPA program, domestic abuse and the self-empowerment of women in the early 20th century, and we look forward to celebrating this book and its many themes in the fall!



In addition to the Common Reader information, summer reading assignments are posted on NDA's website [HERE](#).

UNIFORMS ◀

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.
- 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
- nametag/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 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

Freshmen gym shorts and a uniform approved crewneck sweatshirt and fleece are available to purchase through NDA's Bambootique. [CLICK HERE](#) to order by July 15. [Schoolbelles](#) is NDA's official uniform provider. With plans to reopen their Kentucky location in the Spring 2021, families are encouraged to visit their store in Cincinnati located at 5718 Harrison Avenue. Or customers may order online (www.schoolbelles.com) or by telephone (1-888-637-3037) with their experienced customer service team. A discount of 15% off regular retail price and FREE shipping is being extended for the inconvenience.



BAMBOOTIQUE SALE! ◀

This is the LAST WEEK of "Sue's Super Summer Sale" at NDA's Bambootique! Mrs. McLeod is so exhausted from marking down items this week, she has to take a vacation!

Check out all of the clearance items posted online and get 20% OFF YOUR ENTIRE ORDER until June 30.

Help Mrs. Brungs and Mrs. McLeod make room for their new fall inventory and shop online today!

<https://bambootique.ndapandas.org> You can access the online Bambootique [HERE](#).

ATHLETIC DEPARTMENT NEWS

NDA GOLF OUTING ◀

Mark your calendar for the OrthoCincy - Notre Dame Academy 2020 Golf Outing on Friday, July 31, 2020 at Summit Hills Country Club! You can find registration and sponsorship information [HERE](#).



**ORTHO CINCY
NOTRE DAME
ACADEMY**
2020 Golf Outing
FRIDAY, JULY 31, 2020
SUMMIT HILLS COUNTRY CLUB
22nd Annual NDA Golf Outing
**All proceeds benefit NDA
Athletics**
4 Person Scramble
\$150/player
7:15a Registration
8a Shotgun Start
1p Lunch, Ball Drop,
Auction Baskets
Register at www.ndapandas.org

COUNSELING AND STUDENT SERVICES ◀



SUMMER

PLEASE NOTE! ↘



MAKE THE MOST OF YOUR SUMMER! ◀

Students, here is a list of virtual camps going on this summer and ideas for doing college and career research! Check out these: [Summer 2020 Opportunities](#).

NDA NAVIANCE UPDATE! ◀

Students: *Naviance has changed their password requirements.* You will need to update your password to sign-in to Naviance. [Directions here!](#) Naviance is a great resource for college and career research! And you have access to it all summer!

RESOURCES FOR PARENTS & STUDENTS ◀

- May Resources for Parents: [HERE](#)
- NDA [Parent Toolbox](#)



SAVE THE DATE! ◀

Save the date for the 2020 Autumn Gala, scheduled for Saturday, October 17, 2020. Now more than ever, it is critical for us to proceed and plan for the 2020 Autumn Gala. Whether virtual or live, be assured that the Gala will be an exciting evening to remember, all the while securing much-needed resources for NDA. All details regarding the Gala will soon be forthcoming, but be sure to make your calendar for Saturday, October 17.

If you are interested in helping, or know anyone who would like to get involved, please contact Nancy Goeke, Director of Major Gifts and Events, at 859.292.1851 or goeken@ndapandas.org or Taffy Hebbeler at taffheb@fuse.net.



CELEBRATE WITH THE SND'S ON JULY 4! ◀

The SND Fourth of July Festival has been held annually since 1922. It is a day for friends and families of the Sisters of Notre Dame to celebrate while supporting SND ministries near and far. Due to the worldwide COVID-19 outbreak, they have made the decision not to host an in-person Festival on July 4, 2020. They will, however, carry on with the following initiatives:

- Grand Raffle (online sales only)
- Sponsorship and Donations
- Online Auction

You can bid from anywhere this year. The online auction will open a week before July 4. Proceeds benefit local and global SND ministries and our retired sisters. We hope you will be a part of reaching the SND fundraising goal! (\$105,000)

The Sisters of Notre Dame always strive to look to the signs of the times and respond in a way that is relevant and to the benefit of our most vulnerable brothers and sisters. Thank you in advance for your partnership in making the modified 2020 4th of July Festival a great success! [FESTIVAL INFORMATION](#)

► Important dates

July 17-18	Class of 2020 Graduation Celebration
July 20-23	Leadership Summit
July 20-31	FR iPad set up
July 31	Golf Outing
August 3-5	Bridge Program
August 10	Freshman/New Student Orientation
August 12	First Day of School
August 14	No School: Feast of the Assumption
September 7	No School: Labor Day
September 30	Informational Coffee for Prospective Parents