



Dear Parents,

As educators, the end of a school year leads us to reflect on the past nine months. We remember the good times we have had throughout the academic year and the challenges we faced. As Principal/Interim President of Notre Dame Academy, I am filled with gratitude for our students and all of the incredible experiences we have shared as a community this past school year. The hard work and tough lessons made us better and brought us the true joy that accompanies accomplishment.

Notre Dame Academy is a place where young women come to discover their God given gifts and talents. Our students learn to develop these gifts and share them not for their own personal gain, but for the greater glory of God. They realize their potential and the possibilities that lie beyond high school. They recognize their responsibility to use their education to make a difference wherever they go. This school year we have been true to our theme of *Discovering our Purpose - Transforming the world*. This is our mission and the spirit of Notre Dame Academy.

No one better exemplifies the spirit of Notre Dame Academy than our NDA faculty and staff. Each day they serve as tremendous role models for our students by living our mission. I would like to take this opportunity to thank our faculty and staff for dedicating themselves to educating young women to make a difference in the world.

Although today has been a lot of fun celebrating our seniors, we are still in school and have a few important things to attend to such as final exams. Please note that senior exams will take place May 18, 19 and 22 and exams for freshmen, sophomores and juniors will take place May 22-24. I encourage you to discuss the exam schedule with your daughter. This can be a stressful time and we encourage students to support one another and make healthy choices to reduce stress.

Thank you for choosing Notre Dame Academy for your daughter's Catholic education. It is a privilege to partner with you in this important work.

In Notre Dame,

Mr. Jack VonHandorf



Senior Send Off

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THE CLASS OF 2023 PREPARES TO GRADUATE

On Wednesday, May 9, 2023, Notre Dame Academy held an Academic Signing in honor of the Class of 2023 for their outstanding academic achievements. NDA's **Class of 2023 has earned nearly \$19 million in scholarship offers. Each of the 80 seniors (60% of the class) signing at this year's event is receiving at least half the cost of tuition through scholarships and grants at the institution she plans to attend.** Congratulations Pandas! You can find pictures and the complete list of seniors who were honored at this year's Academic Signing [HERE](#).

Tuesday was the last day of school for our seniors. In the morning they celebrated with breakfast in the parking lot and wore skirts painted with their future plans.

Today our seniors had a full day senior events beginning with their class drone photo on our soccer field, gathering in the Chapel one last time as a class, the Alumnae Luncheon and ending with our annual Senior Send Off celebration.

Congratulations seniors - go make a difference in the world!



Student Life



ALL ARE WELCOME MORNING MASS

We will be celebrating Mass in our chapel on Thursday and Friday at 7:20 a.m. All are welcome!



CONGRATULATIONS ST. JOAN of ARC FAMILY! FAMILY COMPETITION UPDATE

Our Family Competition for the 2023-2024 school year has come to an end and the winner is St. Joan of Arc (Blue Family)! They edged out St. Hildegard of Bingen (Purple Family) by only 13 points! They received a trophy which will have their name on it and free coffee from Travelin' Tom's Coffee truck. Congratulations Blue Family!

CONGRATS STU CO NEWS

Congratulations to our newly elected sophomore and junior grade level representatives for the 2023-2024 School Year....

CONGRATS!

Junior Representatives

Josie Bozeman
Ciara Carroll
Kate Harris
Cameron Kirtley
Grace Panko

Sophomore Representatives

Phoebe Desch
Lila Harris
Teagan Kruer
Jane Schuh
Sadie Yapp



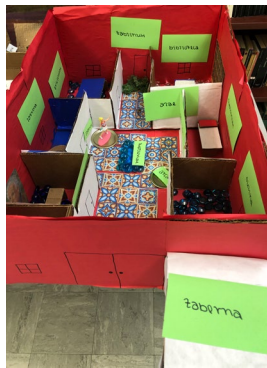
THE LIFE OF AN SND TRIP TO THE 4TH FLOOR!

Sophomore students visited the Sisters that live on the 4th floor. They received a tour of their dining area, community room and chapel. Their tour guides were Sr. Paul Ann and Hermana Francine. The students learned firsthand about the life of an SND, such as their prayer lives and their community service work. Sr. Paul Ann urged students to prayerfully listen to God's call for their lives and consider the sisterhood.



MUSICAL NEWS LET'S HEAR IT FOR THE BAND!

Our NDA/CCH Band recently held their Spring Concert and it was a huge success! Great job Panda band members!



WELCOME HOME! GRATA DOMUM!

Each year, the Latin 2 students complete a project where they design and build their own version of a Roman house, or domus. They get to design their floor plan (based off of authentic Roman typical floor plans), choose what materials they will build it out of, what extra rooms and features they want to include (such as a library, stable, or bathroom), and how to decorate and/or furnish it. This year, students could complete the project in partners or individually and were also given the option of building their house virtually, on Minecraft. It is a nice way for students to get to use their creativity and apply knowledge about Roman housing and culture in a hands-on way.



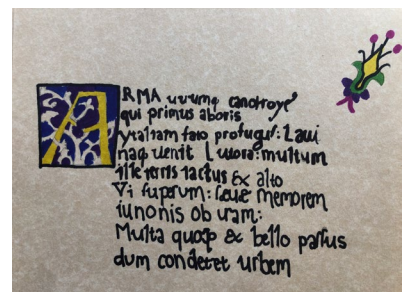
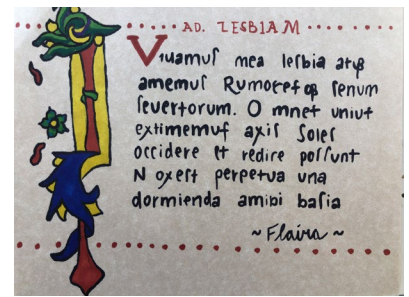
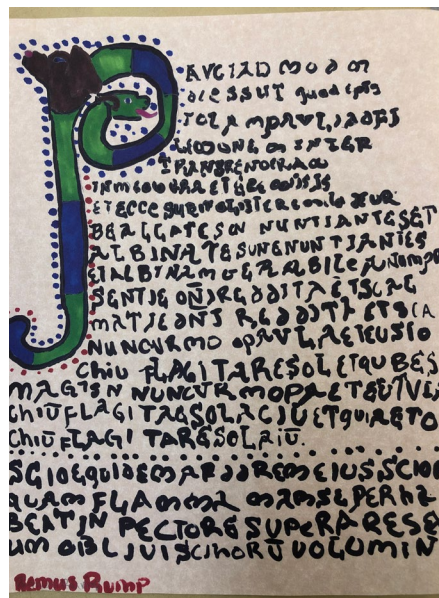
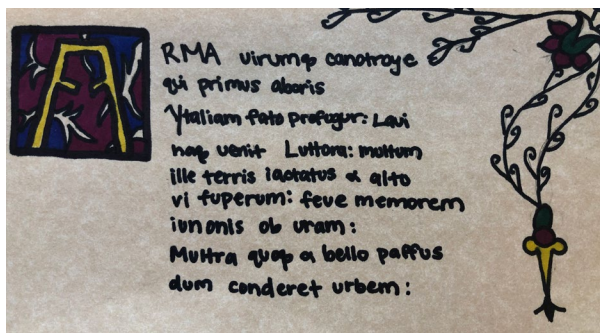
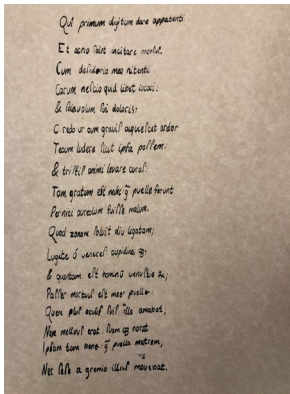
PLANNING FOR 2023-24 FAMILY LEADERSHIP

Family Leadership plans are underway for the 2023-2024 school year! The meeting took place on the same day Tom's Coffee Truck served beverages to NDA's Blue family who won the family inaugural competition this year.



WHEN IN ROME (OR LATIN AT NDA!) LATIN LESSON IN MANUSCRIPTS

Last week, to finish out the last regular week of classes before review week and final exams, this year's Latin 3 dual credit class crafted their own Latin "manuscripts," a second annual project tradition for the spring dual credit Latin 3 class, in which they read poetry of Catullus. Just like the Latin 4's did last spring with this project, the Latin 3's examined virtual scans of several different manuscripts from the Vatican Online Manuscript Library, the different handwriting scripts they were written, the artwork that adorns them, and the various oddities found in manuscripts, including some of the inevitable smudges and mistakes one would expect of monks copying and re-copying the same piece of literature with ink. They then tried their hand at mimicking their favorite manuscript and making their own version of it. While the project was largely done with calligraphy markers, Lea Youtsey was brave enough to complete hers entirely by feather and ink jar and did an amazing job with it!





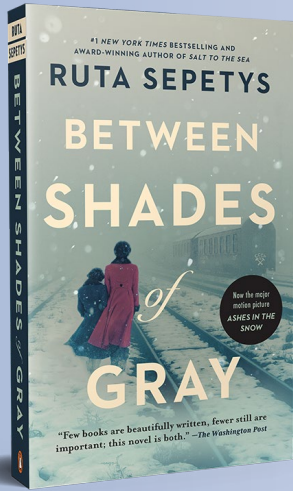
MAKING A DIFFERENCE ALUMNA VISIT

Abigail Martin paid a visit to Madame Otto's French 1 class to speak about her experience in the Peace Corps serving the Francophone community of Togo.



2023-2024

COMMON READER BOOK



Notre Dame Academy has selected next year's Common Reader book which is *Between Shades of Gray* by Ruta Sepetys. *Between Shades of Gray* tells a story from 1941 where fifteen-year-old Lina Vilkas is arrested by the Soviet secret police and deported to Siberia with her mother and younger brother. The author's website says Lina is a young woman who fights for her life, vowing that if she survives she will honor her family, and the thousands like hers, by burying her complete story in a jar on Lithuanian soil. Lina's writings and drawings chronicle her fight for survival, her difficulty accepting help from a Soviet guard she's supposed to hate, and her struggle to retain faith in mankind amidst the terror. We look forward to bringing this story to all students, faculty and staff at Notre Dame Academy and celebrating the book's theme when we return next fall.



END OF YEAR SALE BAMBOOTIQUE

There is no better time to stock up on gear for your favorite Panda - everything is 20% off! Shop online [HERE](#).



VISION SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENTS

FUTURE HEALTHCARE WORKERS

Congratulations to seniors Addyson Osborne, Isabelle Minning, Kayla Northcutt, and Rachel Panko for each earning the St. Elizabeth Healthcare Associates Vision Scholarship. These students were each awarded a \$2,000 scholarship due to their academic excellence and future pursuit of a degree in the healthcare field including public health, biochemistry, nursing, medicine, behavioral, occupational health, environmental health, quality, or safety. Congratulations and keep making a difference in the world!



WHAT'S FOR LUNCH?

SERVING OUR PANDAS

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!

SAY CHEESE

ATTENTION JUNIORS...

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All students **MUST** come to Prestige Portraits for the yearbook photo.

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Completed physical forms must be signed by a parent or guardian.
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TIME: 9AM - NOON

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GREAT OPPORTUNITY

NDA ATHLETES' SPORTS PHYSICALS

Any student planning to participate in a sport at Notre Dame Academy must have a KHSAA sports physical on file prior to any participation. It is highly recommended to get your daughter's sports physical in May - July prior to the start of the school year. A sports physical in this time frame ensures your daughter's physical is good for the entire school year and for any sport.

KHSAA Physical Form; <https://www.ndapandas.org/wp-content/uploads/KHSAA-Physical-2023-24.pdf>

OrthoCincy is offering FREE Sports Physicals for all student athletes for the 2023-24 school year. This will take place on Saturday, May, 20 from 9:00 am - noon.

Don't miss out on this great opportunity to get your daughter ready for any sport at NDA for the 2023-24 school year!



HONOR AN ATHLETE

SUPPORT THE NDA GOLF OUTING

Get a life size cutout of your student athlete! This is a great way to honor our Panda athletes and can be used at senior nights, graduation parties and more! We will have a picture day May 9 and 10 after school in the CLC. Parents can send their daughter to get a picture to be used for the cut out or use your own picture.

Reserve your picture spot for May 16



NOTRE DAME ACADEMY

2023 GOLF OUTING SCRAMBLE

Friday, July 28, 2023-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 for Golf Here](#)

Games, Green Fees, Cart
Auction

Food & Reception

Fun, Festivities and Fundraising!

[Check out sponsorship opportunities here!](#)

COUNSELING AND STUDENT SERVICES



GREAT OPPORTUNITY

SUMMER HEALTH CAREER FREE PROGRAM

Who: High school students (incoming 9 th -12th grade)

When: Tuesday, June 20 - Friday June 23; Four total days

- CPR certification & training
- Completely free for the student!
- Two meals + one snack provided each day
- Transportation not provided
- A variety of topics and focus areas covered throughout the camp days, including but not limited to: respiratory care, social work, healthcare simulation center touring, ambulance tours from local EMTs, neuroscience, occupational therapy, VR in healthcare, and many more!
- Inclusion of fun, summer camp activities like rock climbing, scavenger hunts, ice cream parties, and more.

Sign-up here: <https://airtable.com/shrWkaCrr8Y9fo5XX>

SUMMER BOOTCAMP

TORCHPREP

Summer is just around the corner and it tends to be a great time for students to focus on ACT® test prep. You can find Summer ACT Test Prep Options from TorchPrep [HERE](#).

[TorchPrep - June ACT 1-week training in Florence](#)

[TorchPrep - June ACT Weekend Warrior in Cincinnati](#)

FREE One-on-One ACT Tutoring for June and July ACT

Timothy Ward, founder of Free Test Prep Online will be offering some free test prep opportunities for the ACT. If your student is currently a junior and missed out on the 2 FREE sessions earlier this year, now is your chance to take advantage of this opportunity the second time around. If your student is currently a sophomore, you can get them off to a great start learning the most successful ACT strategies!

To sign up your student for the 2 FREE tutoring sessions:

- Text Timothy at 502-269-8447
- Include your name, the student's name and current grade level (Sophomore or Junior), our school name, and the most recent test scores if applicable (composite and individual subjects)

He has room in his schedule to take on 20 new clients the first few weeks of May and will take them on a first-come, first-served basis.

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ADVANCING OUR MISSION

ALUMNAE MENTORING

Class of 2024
Class of 2025

Program for Rising Juniors & Seniors for the 2023-2024 School Year

ATTENTION RISING JUNIORS AND SENIORS ALUMNAE MENTOR PROGRAM

There is still time so sign up for the Alumnae Mentoring Program at NDA. This program gives juniors and seniors an opportunity to learn more about the real world experiences of professionals in the student's career field of interest.

Our Alumnae office will match you with an Alumnae Mentor. From there you will meet with her monthly and you will talk about:

Life | School | College Choices | College Applications | Career Paths

Click [HERE](#) for the application.

COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIP Would You Like to Become a Corporate Sponsor?

To request a brochure or to get further information about becoming a corporate sponsor for Notre Dame Academy, please contact Denise Bowman, Director of Development, at bowmand@ndapandas.org or 859.292.1849.

Special thanks to our Corporate Sponsors listed [HERE](#). We encourage you to patronize these businesses and organizations.

NOTRE DAME ACADEMY CORPORATE SPONSOR OPPORTUNITIES

	Diamond \$10,000	Platinum \$5,000	Gold \$3,000	Silver \$1,500
Women Making A Difference				
• Banner at event	✓			
• Preferred Seating	✓	✓		
• Logo in Video Scroll	✓	✓	✓	
• Website Recognition	✓	✓	✓	✓
• Program Recognition	✓	✓	✓	✓
• Event Tickets	16	8	6	4
Golf Outing				
• Banner at event	✓			
• Custom Flag	✓	✓	✓	✓
• Name in Program	✓	✓	✓	✓
• Participation	(2) Foursomes of Golf	(1) Foursome of Golf	(1) Twosome of Golf	
Fall Fundraiser: Light the Night for NDA				
• Banner at event	✓			
• Preferred Seating	✓	✓		
• Logo in Video Scroll	✓	✓	✓	
• Website Recognition	✓	✓	✓	✓
• Program Ad	Full Page Ad	Full Page Ad	Half Page Ad	Quarter Page Ad
• Event Tickets	10	4	2	2
Digital Advertising at Sporting Events				
• Gymnasium Scoreboard	✓	✓		
• Outdoor Concession Stand	✓	✓		



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

- Sisters of Notre Dame Furniture Sale
- Duke Energy to host leadership and energy career fair for young women
- Social Media and the Adolescent Digital Tribe
- SND 4th of July Festival
- Donate to the SND 4th of July Festival
- Intern in SND Mission Advancement Department
- Positions Available for Students and Parents
- and more!

Important dates

May 17	Senior Luncheon and Senior Send Off Academic Awards in evening
May 18	Mass in Chapel 7:20 a.m. Senior Exams begin Spring Showcase 6 p.m. with Intro Theatre Class, Dance Pandas, PandaTones
May 19	Mass in Chapel 7:20 a.m.
May 20	Theatre Banquet
May 22	Exams begin
May 24	Graduation Practice
May 25	Cleaning Day Graduation Practice Baccalaureate Mass
May 26	Senior Breakfast Graduation