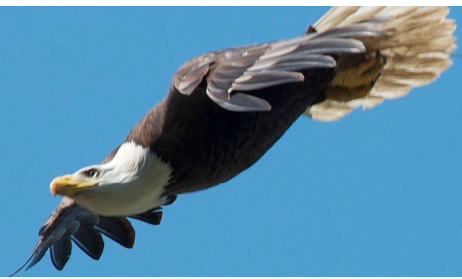


January 2012



Notre Dame Academy

Toledo, Ohio

Creating Women of Vision Since 1904

Sponsored by the Sisters of Notre Dame

Dear Parents & Guardians,

At Notre Dame Academy we continually strive to provide an exceptional educational experience permeated with Christian values. The on-going commitment of our faculty and staff to prepare our girls for college, leadership and service is evident every day at NDA within our school community.

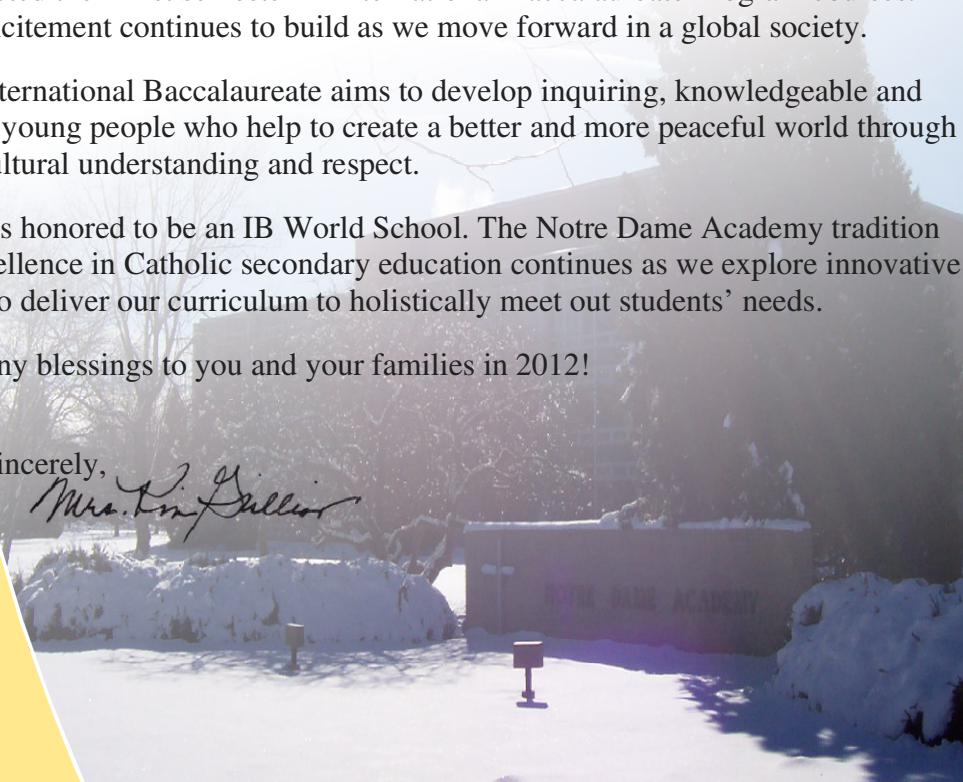
The 2011-2012 year has provided the opportunity for us to continue to provide teacher training and implement our International Baccalaureate Program. We are blessed to be able to seek more and better ways to give our girls an “education for a better world.” Our NDA faculty members continue to attend workshops to gain pedagogical knowledge to implement the International Baccalaureate Program as the program grows. Our coordinator, Ms. Angela Joseph, has been working with our freshmen and sophomore girls that are interested in applying for the program or have applied for the program. We are pleased to have 53 juniors that have just completed their first semester in International Baccalaureate Program courses. The excitement continues to build as we move forward in a global society.

The International Baccalaureate aims to develop inquiring, knowledgeable and caring young people who help to create a better and more peaceful world through intercultural understanding and respect.

NDA is honored to be an IB World School. The Notre Dame Academy tradition of excellence in Catholic secondary education continues as we explore innovative ways to deliver our curriculum to holistically meet our students’ needs.

Many blessings to you and your families in 2012!

Sincerely,



Dates To Remember

- Jan. 3.....Classes resume
- Jan. 5 ...Junior Student Parent mtg in Dining Hall @ 6:30
- Jan. 11.....Freshmen & Sophomore Student/Parent mtg. in PAC @ 6:30 pm
- Jan. 16:No Classes
- Jan. 30:.....Mr. NDA

Attention Senior Parents

The mandatory senior parent meeting,
originally scheduled for February 13,
has been changed to **Monday February 6** at 6:30 PM.

Golden Apple Award

The Golden Apple Award has been established to honor outstanding individuals who devote their lives to teaching in Catholic schools. The Golden Apple Award Timeline is as follows:

- January 4, 2012: Information packets (including nomination and application forms) are sent to principals. Information will also be made available on the Catholic Schools Office website: www.catholicschoolsoffice.org. February 3, 2012: Nomination forms due to principals. Nominated teachers are notified and given application forms.
- March 5, 2012: Teacher application forms are due to principals in each school. Local selection process begins.
- March 12, 2012: Each school submits its candidate to Mary Chalmers at the Catholic Schools Office. A Diocesan Committee meets to select 7 elementary and 2 high school winners.
- April, 2012: Winners are notified and announcements made in the Catholic Chronicle and local media.
- May 1, 2012: Golden Apple Awards Banquet at the Toledo Club in Toledo.

Email Address Reminders

Would you like to receive reminders of parent newsletter postings and other important reminders from school?

Please make sure we have your email addresses when you review and make changes to your daughter's student profile.



Weather Closing Reminder

NDA follows Sylvania City Schools for all weather related closings and delays.
Please refer to the parent handbook, page 63.

January 2012 Cafeteria Menu

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1 Lunch Tickets \$4 Includes: entrance, side, dessert & beverage	2 HAPPY NEW YEAR! NO CLASSES NO CLASS	3 Beef Stew w/ Hot Roll & Applesauce Fruit or Dessert Beverage	4 Chicken Sandwich W/ Sweet Potato Fries Fruit or Dessert Beverage	5 Lasagna Meat or Vegetable w/ Garlic Bread Fruit or Dessert Beverage	6 French Bread Cheese or Pepperoni Bosco Bread Stick Fruit or Dessert Beverage	7
8 Salad Bar available daily in Cafeteria Can use lunch ticket	9 Tomato Soup w/ Grilled Cheese Fruit or Dessert Beverage	10 Taco Salad w/ Refried Beans & Apple Crispito Fruit or Dessert Beverage	11 Crispy Fish w/ Cheesy Potatoes & Peas Fruit or Dessert Beverage	12 Turkey Gravy w/ Mashed Potatoes & Corn & Pumpkin Pie Beverage	13 Cheese or Pepperoni Pizza Bosco Bread Stick Fruit or Dessert Beverage	14
15 Personal Pizza available daily	16 NO CLASSES Martin Luther King Jr Day	17 Sausage Biscuit w/ Fruit Cup Fruit or Dessert Beverage	18 Baked Potato w/ Broccoli & Cheese Fruit or Dessert Beverage	19 Hamburger or Turkeyburger w/ Fries Fruit or Dessert Beverage	20 Cheese or Pepperoni Pizza Bosco Bread Stick Fruit or Dessert Beverage	21
22 Fresh Fruit available daily on salad bar & main line	23 Chicken Tenders w/ Green Beans & Corn Muffin Fruit or	24 Swedish Meatballs & Mashed Potatoes Fruit or Dessert Beverage	25 Macaroni Cheese & California Blend Fruit or Dessert Beverage	26 Chili & Baked Potato Fruit or Dessert Beverage	27 Cheese or Pepperoni Pizza Bosco Bread Stick Fruit or Dessert Beverage	28
29	30 Chicken Wings & Tater Tots Fruit or Dessert Beverage	31 Chicken Noodle Soup & Grill Cheese Fruit or Dessert Beverage				

From The Business Office

2012-2013 Tuition Assistance

Tuition Assistance must be applied for annually. For returning students currently in grades 7,9,10,11, Tuition Assistance renewal applications are due by February 28, 2012. This entails completing the needs assessment through FACTS Mgmt Co. and submitting the required tax forms. Information and frequently asked questions are included in your daughter's registration packet.

For incoming freshmen, including current NDJA 8th graders, the preferred Tuition Assistance application deadline is January 16, 2012. Incoming freshmen complete a scholarship application form available on the NDA website in addition to the needs assessment.

2012-2013 Registration Fee

The \$200 registration fee for all returning students is due March 31, 2012. The invoice is included in your daughter's registration packet.

From The Guidance Office

Student Parent Meeting Reminder

Please keep in mind that the Freshman/Sophomore Student-Parent meeting is scheduled on
Wednesday, January 11 at 6:30 p.m. in the PAC.

We will review PLAN and PSAT results, review registration procedures for the 2012-2013 school year,
and will go over PSEO, (Post-Secondary Educational Options), opportunities.

We are aware that there are basketball games and other events that same evening, but if at all possible, please try to
attend. If you are unable to attend, information packets will be available to your daughters on Thursday, 1/12.

Registration packets for all students will be due Thursday, January 26, 2012.

Once all schedules have been received,
the counselors will be reviewing student schedules to verify and confirm class choices.

As always, if you have questions, please contact your daughter's counselor:

Mrs. Lauren Boyles-Brewitt (419)724-1008 lboyles@nda.org

Mr. Jim Sulier (419) 724-1013 jsulier@nda.org

Here's to a happy and healthy 2012!!

From The College Counselor

Parents of seniors:

-Be sure to have your daughter bring us her acceptance letters and scholarship awards (we will make a copy and return it). This is the only way we are able to keep track of all of the good news as the colleges rarely alert us of their decisions. We thank you in advance!

-January 1st was the first official day that you could begin working on your FAFSA. Check the colleges your daughter is applying to for FAFSA submission deadlines. Be sure to go to www.fafsa.ed.gov to file the FAFSA (NOT fafsa.com). You and your daughter will need to register for a pin number before you can proceed to the FAFSA. This can be done by going to www.pin.ed.gov.

-Owens Community College will be hosting "College Goal Sunday". At this free event, you can attend and receive assistance filling out your FAFSA form. This event will take place on February 12 at 2:00.

Parents of juniors:

-The Junior Student/Parent meeting will take place on Thursday, January 5th at 6:30 pm in the Dining Hall. This meeting will be the "official" kick-off to your daughter's college search and application process. A great deal of information will be dispensed regarding this process. Additionally, a user-friendly College Handbook will be provided to each student and her family to help facilitate in this exciting and sometimes overwhelming experience. We will also have a panel of parents, NDA students, and college students (NDA alum), so be sure to bring your list of burning questions.

-We encourage juniors to take the ACT or SAT during the second semester of this year. Please make sure your daughter gets signed up by registering for the test at www.actstudent.org or www.collegeboard.com.

-Some colleges require their applicants to take the SAT Subject tests. This is separate from the SAT. Check with the schools your daughter is interested in to see if this is necessary.

All parents:

-Please remember that we have FREE ACT test preparation software in Naviance. Be sure your daughter is utilizing this great resource. (There is a small reward for the the first three students that finish the program and alert Mrs. Meier).

-It's never too early to start planning college visits. Do you have spring break plans? Check and see if there are any campuses nearby for you to see!

From The Pastoral Director



43 NDA students, nine parents, three staff members and two Sisters of Notre Dame host an annual Appalachia Celebration, December 16-18 in Harlan, Kentucky.



From Mardi Gras Coordinators

Mardi Gras

Mardi Gras is Tuesday, February 21, 2012. This is an annual charity fundraiser hosted and organized by the Sophomore class. Last year the Sophomores raised over \$4000 for our designated charities.

Each Sophomore homeroom is assembling a gift basket to be raffled, but any extra donated items are greatly appreciated. The raffle has traditionally been our biggest profit maker, and items such as gift certificates or gift sets are wonderful donations. Additionally, we could use volunteers to sell tickets during the lunch period (approximately 11:00 – noon) each day during the week of February 13 – 17. On the day of Mardi Gras, we need a few adults to assist the girls with selling and serving food and beverages. With almost 700 hungry students, the lines can get rather long! Any amount of time you can spare would be much appreciated.

If you are interested in helping in any way, please contact Ms. Alison Tansey at atansey@nda.org or Mrs. Joan Funk at jfunk@nda.org.



NOTRE DAME ACADEMY SCRIP PROGRAM

- ❶ If you were offered \$4 every time you shopped for groceries, would you accept it? (\$100 purchase at Meijer, 4%)
- ❷ Would you accept \$2.50 every time you filled your gas tank? (\$50 fill at Speedway, 5%)
- ❸ How about \$2 for every Marco's pizza? (\$10 purchase, 20%)
- ❹ The logical answer is, of course, YES!

Are you participating with Notre Dame's scrip program?

- We encourage you to explore our online scrip store! You will find that we offer a large variety of scrip. Click on NDA Online Retailers, located on the left hand side of the home page in the Information box, for a complete listing of available scrip.
- Our scrip bestsellers are: **Meijer, Speedway, The Anderson's, Tim Horton's, Giant Eagle, Subway, and Kohl's.** Do you frequent these providers?
- Scrip is convenient! Payment may be made with cash, by check, or via ACH (automated clearing house), where a checking or savings account is debited.

Scrip Earnings do Make a Difference!

- Have you ever considered taking advantage of the inevitabilities of life: **groceries and gas?**
- Consider the following:
- Assume a reasonable average discount of 4% on groceries and gas (Meijer earns 4% on groceries and gas; Speedway gasoline earns 5%):

\$150/week groceries + \$50/week gas x 52 weeks = \$10,400

At 4%, scrip earnings would be **\$416!**

- **Our top 5 scrip earning families have already earned an average of \$702!**

• scrip@nda.org •



Student Soaring Highlights

NDA & NDJA Musicians Are Applauded!

Congratulations to all of our All-District Musicians:

Mary Armbruster and Emily Hinojosa (Band)

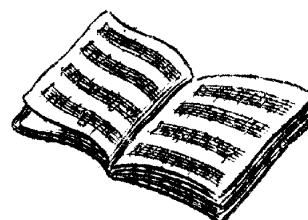
Rachael Cannon, Ali Rose Hotz, Erin Johns, Taryn Loo and April Varner (Choir)

Naomi Kolovich, Gabrielle Hymel and Anjali Fernandes (Orchestra)

All-District performances are at the Stranahan Theatre at 7:00 P.M on January 29.



You are cordially invited to
Choir Cabaret Night at NDA
featuring the music of Rodgers and Hammerstein
At 7:00 P.M. on Tuesday, February 7.



Winter Offerings at Lial Renewal Center, 5908 Davis Road, Whitehouse OH

Register by phone at 419-877-0432 or by email at mdpfahler@toledosnd.org or
go online at www.toledosnd.org

January 4, 7:00 - 8:30 p.m.: Taking the Exercises to the World

Get into spiritual shape and closer to Christ in a monthly series that breaks open the themes of the Spiritual Exercises of St. Ignatius. In January Sister Anne Mary Molyet will explore the topic of contemplation and spiritual emptiness. She will also provide follow-up materials for Scripture-based prayer. Cost: \$20.

Tuesdays in January, 10:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m. "Spirituality - What's Your Style?" Part 2

So many ways to God! This January, follow the path of spiritualities well-worn by saints and possibly new to you. Find the one that takes you to God. Cost: \$20 per session, lunch included.

January 17 - Hilligonde Wolbring/Spirituality of the Sisters of Notre Dame - Sisters Joan Marie Recker and Mary Valerie Schneider SND

The spirituality of the Sisters of Notre Dame is rooted in the experience of God's goodness and provident care. Through story-telling and reflection, meet their foundress Hilligonde Wolbring and deepen your own trust in God's goodness and provident care.

January 24 - Sts. Francis and Clare of Assisi/Franciscan Spirituality - Sister Patricia Meyer OSF

"SPIRIT and LIFE" describe the lives of Francis and Clare of Assisi. They heard the Gospel, embraced the WORD and the "living" Christ became the central focus of their spirit-filled lives.

January 31 - St. Teresa of Avila/Carmelite Spirituality - Sister Mary Rosellyn Theisen SND

Come, reflect on Teresa of Avila, 16th century Carmelite nun, mystic, writer, reformer. Carmelite spirituality is centered on loving friendship with God through contemplative prayer.

January 20, 7 p.m. - January 22, 11 a.m.

Personal Mission Retreat

Wonder about your personal mission? In this weekend retreat Sr. Joanne Mary Frania SND will guide you to find the deeper meaning of your life and the direction your life is meant to have. The process of discovering your personal mission - your unique reason for being - can ground you in a stability that frees, enlivens your days and helps you find meaning in each day. Please bring a baby picture of yourself-the younger, the better. Cost: \$130, including private room, meals, direction and materials.

OR

Creation Your Own Retreat

Come for the weekend, setting your own agenda in the peaceful, hospitable setting of Lial Renewal Center. Even when the world is hibernating, God is at work in your life. Find out how in the quiet times and casual conversations with other retreatants. Cost: \$80, including private room and meals. Individual spiritual direction is available for additional fee.

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