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On Friday, September 17, Notre Dame welcomed back its alumni from years past as it celebrated its Homecoming. At half-time, Jillian Moody was crowned Notre Dame's 2021-2022 Homecoming Queen by Notre Dame's 2012 Homecoming Queen, Peyton Miller Woods. Jillian has been involved in numerous school groups including Campus Ministry, Beta Club, Student Council and Football Trainer.



message from the
ADMINISTRATORS

CALENDAR HIGHLIGHTS

October 1, 2021

Dear NDHS Family,

The calendar declares fall is here; and we have had a couple of cooler days that put a little pep in everyone's step.

October is the time that many people begin to think about taking a flu shot. Health care professionals are telling us that this year a flu immunization is more important than ever! Complications of the flu increase hospitalizations and puts more pressure on our health care system.

Remember that because the virus used to make the flu vaccine is either inactivated or attenuated, it cannot "give" you the flu. While it doesn't guarantee protection, it is our best defense to date.

We are working hard to keep our school family healthy.

One of our overarching goals is to keep our students in face-to-face instruction.

*Please remind your student about the importance of frequent hand-washing and general hygiene (covering the mouth-and coughing/sneezing into the elbow area or into a tissue).

*Precaution should be used in locker rooms and areas of moisture and contact. Any break in the skin should be monitored for redness, swelling, and tenderness. Early detection and student cooperation is key.

*Dirty towels and clothes should be removed from lockers and brought home for washing.

*Please discourage your son/daughter from shaving body hair in the showers here at school, since a nick can provide an opportunity for bacteria to cross the skin barrier.

October is also dedicated to the Most Holy Rosary. We look forward to the time when we can, once again, have the Rosary Congress prayed here in our chapel. Until then, we ask that you pray your rosary in honor of Our Lady, Patroness of our school.

Blessings!

- 10/1 ... FB @ Cecilia
Jeans Day
- 10/5 ... School Liturgy,
Academic Sweater &
Athletic Jacket
Presentation
Early Dismissal, 12:30p
Teacher Meetings
- 10/7 ... FB @ Welsh
- 10/13 ... End of 1st 9 weeks
- 10/14 ... 12:30 Dismissal
LCA @ home,
RCE/St. Francis Night
- 10/15 ... No School, Rice Fest
- 10/22 ... FB @ Catholic High
Jeans Day
- 10/23 ... Dancer Kiddie Camp
- 10/25 ... Junior Retreat
- 10/28 ... Sophomore Retreat
- 10/29 ... Lake Arthur @ home
OMP/StM/OLI Night
Pio Pride "Campers"
dance at halftime



COUNSELOR'S CORNER

What is TOPS?

TOPS (Taylor Opportunity Program for Students) is a program of state scholarships for Louisiana residents who attend either one of the Louisiana Public Colleges and Universities, schools that are a part of the Louisiana Community and Technical College System, Louisiana approved Proprietary and Cosmetology schools or institutions that are a part of the Louisiana Association of Independent Colleges and Universities.

To learn more about TOPS, go to: mylosfa.la.gov

It is necessary to submit the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) in order to be considered for most federal financial aid programs, including TOPS. Many state financial aid programs and various scholarships also require the submission of the FAFSA. The Department of Education processes the FAFSA and notifies applicant with the Student Aid Report (SAR). The FAFSA can be submitted online at www.studentaid.gov beginning October 1, 2021.

Federal Student Aid is available seven days a week to assist students and parents with FAFSA-related questions ONLY via phone, e-mail, and chat with a live agent.

Federal Student Aid Information Center (FSAIC) [1-800-433-3243](tel:1-800-433-3243) The live chat and email options can be found [here](#).

HOURS OF OPERATION Monday – Friday: 8 a.m.–11 p.m. Eastern Time (ET) , Saturday-Sunday: 11 a.m.–5pm

Upcoming 2021-22 ACT Opportunities

<u>ACT Test Date</u>	<u>Regular Deadline</u>	<u>Late Deadline</u>	<u>Standby Deadline</u>
October 23, 2021	September 17, 2021	October 1, 2021	October 15, 2021
December 11, 2021	November 5, 2021	November 19, 2021	December 3, 2021
February 12, 2022	January 7, 2022	January 21, 2022	February 4, 2022

* Register at act.org



RELIGION NEWS

Peace and joy in Christ! It's hard to believe that we have already come to the end of our first two months of school. As we roll into October, we have the hope of cooler weather (and fewer mosquitoes!) and the promise of upcoming athletic events and holidays!

While all of these things add to the beauty of those cherished "days of fall", we are also mindful that the month of October holds a special place in our life of faith, especially as Catholics. October is celebrated as the month of the Holy Rosary. The Rosary, a beautiful prayer that serves as a meditation on the life of Christ, has been prayed by millions of Catholics for hundreds of years. According to Dominican tradition, the Rosary was given to St. Dominic by the Blessed Mother herself back in the year 1214.

Today, this prayer remains an ever-present and always strong pillar of our Catholic faith. Saints through the centuries have spoken to the incredible power of the Rosary in our lives and in the world. It is only fitting that we listen to and are encouraged by their words: Let us pray that this month would be a month of renewal, one that happens through the hands of our Blessed Mother, as we journey with her deeper into the life of Christ her Son.

In Christ - James Franke



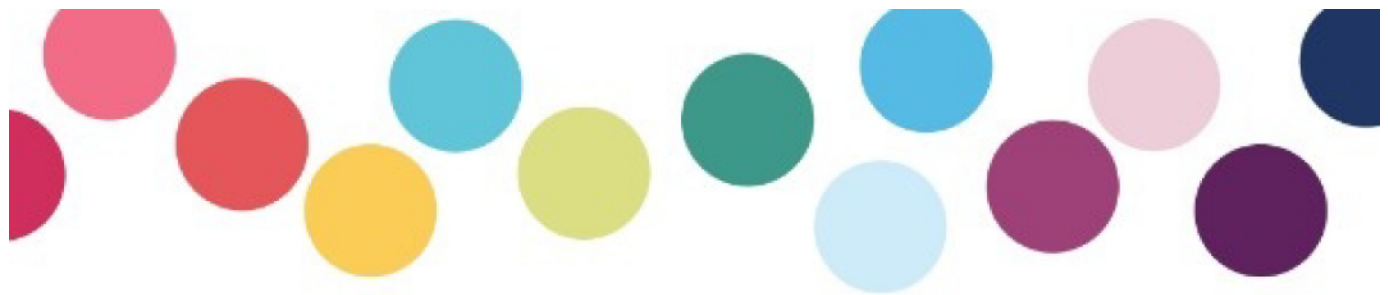
Go Pios!



Members of the 2021-2022 Notre Dame Homecoming Court!
Seated, l-r: Ashtyn Wimberley, Rosemary Gielen, Abigail Savoy-First Maid, Jillian Moody-Queen, Evelyn Andrus, Natalie Brown. standing, l-r: Madeline Oliver, Jeanne Claire Schmid, Kelsey Broussard, Anna Guinn, Maddison Frey, Emma Hanks, Ella Cantrell.



HAPPY BIRTHDAY!



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2- Jamisyn Olivier
6- Evan LeBlanc
7- John Hollier
8- Adam Reiners
9- Caylyn Henry
9- Hudson LeBlanc
9- Jack Cassedy
10- Taylor Meche
10- Thomas Meche

11- Jeffery Trahan
11- Nicholas Shinogle
12- Jeremy Prevost
12- Cameron Foreman
13- Lily Heidtman
13- Luke Lavergne
14- Max Veillon
16- Brock Credeur
16- John Eric Thomas
18- Blake Francis

20- Callie Maitre
20- Tate Savant
21- Jacob Ohlenforst
23- Maggie Chiasson
23- Graycie Hollier
23- Zachary Dugas
27- Ellen Domingue
28- Hanna Daigle
30- Anne Swacker



Eucharistic Minister Commissioning



Twenty-one seniors recently became commissioned as Extraordinary Ministers of Communion! We are blessed that they said "yes" to bring Jesus to their fellow students and to those in their home parishes. Seated, l-r: Caleb Comeaux, Joe Frank, Taylor Broussard, Jillian Moody, Anna Guinn, Mary Kathryn Allbritton, Lily Morgan and Morgan Boudreaux. Standing: Mary Grace Burleigh, Kelsey Broussard, Brayden Broussard, Joseph Landry, Lillian Miller, Abigail Savoy, Evelyn Andrus, Madeline Oliver, Rosemary Gielen, Ashtyn Wimberley, Claire Cormier and Maddison Frey. Not pictured: Caylyn Henry.



BETA INVITATIONS



Congratulations to the following students who were recently invited to become members of the ND Beta Club. In order to be invited to become a member of this club, a student must have achieved a GPA of 3.5 or better for a full academic year. They are, seated: Katie Doucet, Rose Landry, Ahnnie Albro, Mariana Guinn, Bremilin Minnix, Emma Domingue, Riley Vidrine, Lila Baudoin. Standing: Alex Welch, Gracie Bearb, Lillie Taylor, Mary Thomas, Jack Cassedy, Ellie Adams, Hayden Johnson, Sophie Bergeron, Justin Dupuis, Madison Aucoin, Jayden Andrepont, Ella Hoffpauir, Zack Hebert, Christopher LeLeux. Not pictured: Ellen Cormier and Olivia Hensgens.



Notre Dame Day will be held on Tuesday, November 2 in the ND Gym. This is a day set aside for 8th graders from our feeders schools visit ND to see what our school has to offer. If you know of an 8th grader who is not enrolled in one of our feeders schools and would like to attend, please have them contact Mandy at 783-7143 for more information.

FACULTY SPOTLIGHT



GET TO KNOW **JACOB MOLBERT**

HE IS A 2010 GRADUATE OF NOTRE DAME
HE PLAYED FOOTBALL AT UL - GRADUATED IN 2014
HIS WIFE IS A VETERINARIAN AND HE HAS A 2 YEAR OLD DAUGHTER
HE LOVES HIS ANIMALS - ESPECIALLY HIS ORANGE CAT, OLIVER
HE RARELY WATCHES SPORTS



GET TO KNOW **MEGAN LANDRY**

SHE TEACHES JUNIOR ENGLISH AND YEARBOOK.
SHE IS MOST EXCITED ABOUT TEACHING NOVELS.
SHE IS STILL A KID AT HEART AND LOVES EVERYTHING DISNEY.
ON THE OTHER HAND, SHE ALSO LOVES TRUE CRIME AND CONSPIRACY THEORIES.



The 2020-2021 Yearbooks are in! Anyone who did not buy one can buy one for the cost of \$85.00 while supplies last. Checks should be made out to Notre Dame and can be sent to the front office.



Parents, family, and friends of ND can put in an order for the 2021-2022 Yearbook for a cost of \$80.00. Checks can be made out to ND and given to the front office or to the Yearbook Advisor. If anyone has questions, they may contact Ms. Megan Landry at mlandry@ndpios.com.

Yearbook will be selling ads October thru December. If any parent/family member/friend would like a personal ad for a student, they should contact Ms. Megan Landry at mlandry@ndpios.com. If any local company/group/organization/church would like an ad, and they did not purchase an ad last year, they should contact Ms. Megan Landry at mlandry@ndpios.com.

The Library continues to collect COMMUNITY COFFEE proof of purchase labels. Please send them our way!



**Please be advised that
NO
STUDENT will be allowed
to take mid-term exams
if tuition is not current
THROUGH NOVEMBER
(diocesan policy).**



PIO PRIDE DANCE TEAM



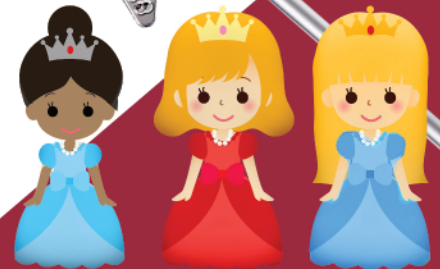
Princess Camp

NOTRE DAME GYM

Saturday, October 23, 2021

9:00am - 1:00pm

Ages: 3 and up; Squads welcome!



**Camp dancers will perform during the HALFTIME SHOW
for the NDHS football game
Friday, October 29th.
Go Pios!**

Pre-Registration: \$50 per dancer.

**Registration forms are available in the NDHS front office
or online at ndpios.com under the Info Center Tab > download forms link.**

**Dancers will receive a t-shirt (to be worn at the halftime performance),
awards, pizza, and a snack!**

On-site registration: \$60 per dancer beginning at 8:30am October 23rd in the NDHS gym.

Please make checks payable to: Notre Dame High School

**Completed forms and payment may be turned into the NDHS front office,
Attn. Kathy Breaux or mailed to
Notre Dame High School
910 N. Eastern Avenue
Crowley, LA 70526.**

ND Dancers will wear masks when in close contact. Children are welcome to wear masks as well. There will be no showcase the day of camp since their performance is at the game the following week.