

# PIONEER

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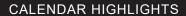
**PROGRESS** 

No. 136

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# message from the PRINCIPAL

August 29, 2024

Pio Family and Friends,

I'm grateful that our students have made a smooth transition from a summer of rest and relaxation into a busy school year. Our faculty/administration has established their classroom/school routines and the school is moving with great energy.

I would like to thank everyone for attending our annual Back to School Night as well as everyone who played a part in organizing and making sure the event was successful. I would also like to say a special thank you to all of the students, faculty and staff who attended the back to school dance. It was a huge success!

We have all been waiting for cool weather and Fall sports -- well, at least Fall sports have arrived and I would like to remind everyone about our code of conduct at all sporting events. If you have any questions, please refer to p. 70 in our handbook. With Homecoming around the corner, we hope that you would take advantage of the many fun activities planned that week. It is a great time to reconnect with old friends as well as meet new ones. Please note the dress code policy for students in the handbook (page 57-58), especially for ladies... it has changed from last year and policy will be enforced.

Progress reports will be ready for viewing on September 9th. Please take time to monitor your student's grades using FACTS online. If you have trouble logging in, please contact Mrs. Sheila or Mrs. Joan. If you have concerns regarding your child's grades, contact their teacher and/or our Counselor, Mrs. Fruge.

Sincerely,

Mr. Prudhomme

9/2... Labor Day - No School

9/3 ... Eucharistic Minister
Commissioning
Academic Sweater &
Athletic Jacket
Presentation

9/6 ... FB vs. Southside OMP Night Jeans Day

9/7 ... Pio Pride Dance Camp

9/9 ... Progress Reports

9/10 ... Beta Invitations @ Mass

9/13 ... FB vs. Ville Platte St. Michael Night "Dance Campers"

9/18 ... Professional
Development
Early Dismissal

9/20 ... FB @ Teurlings Jeans Day

9/26 ... FB @ CHNI





# COUNSELOR'S **CORNER**

## **Counseling Corner:**

College/University Applications:

College applications are open for seniors to begin applying. I will be meeting with seniors in their religion classrooms to discuss their college/career plans, a timeline of events, and review their TOPS eligibility. Seniors can schedule appointments with me individually as well. Stay tuned for some college admission information coming your way!

Upcoming ACT Dates: ACT



**Test DATE Registration Deadline**  Late Registration DEADLINE (Fee charged After this Date)

September 14, 2024 October 26, 2024 December 14, 2024

August 9 September 20 November 8

August 25 October 7 November 22

Colleges want ACT scores sent directly from ACT. When your student registers to take an ACT test, they can select up to four colleges to receive their scores, and it is free. For more test dates and to register go to https://www.act.org/content/act/en.html. If your student is having difficulty logging into their ACT account, please contact ACT Student Services at 319.337.1270. ACT requires the student or parent to call for any login information.

#### NCAA information:



High school juniors interested in playing a sport at the collegiate level should register with the NCAA Eligibility Center to learn about academic requirements and ensure students are on track to participate in Division I or II sports. Seniors should register as soon as possible, if they have not. Go to Eligbility center.org for information.

Cheryl Fruge' NDHS School Counselor counselor@ndpios.com

## BE ON THE LOOKOUT!!!!

**Progress Reports should** be up to date and ready for viewing on:

September 9, 2024

Tips from LA Office of Student Financial Assistance (LOSFA)

Be sure to use the ACT TOPS code 1595 for all ACT Registrations

You should use the same personal email when registering for ACT/SAT and completing the FASFA form.

Teachers are available for extra help before or after school. Please advise your child to schedule a time with their teacher(s), if necessary.



#### **RELIGION NEWS**

As we gear up for everything that God has in store for us this year, we've already experienced Him in some mighty and powerful ways.

Just a couple days into the new year, our senior class was blessed to be able to attend their senior retreat at the beautiful, peaceful Dry Creek Baptist Camp. The theme for the retreat was HOME the Sanctuary of the Heart. The retreat was hosted by Paul Hood, the director of youth and young adult minister at Holy Cross Catholic Church in Lafayette. The leaders used their own experiences to help the seniors see how God worked in their lives and continues to draw them in, even in the midst of struggles. So much could be said about this retreat, but the simplest explanation of all that happened is that GOD MOVED!

Many seniors began the retreat as many do, with a little apprehension. And in less than 24 hours, walls came crumbling down, relationships were formed, confessions were heard and knees were bent in humble adoration.

I would like to extend a special thank you to all those who assisted me with senior retreat especially Fr. Mike Vidrine, Coach John Braham, Ms. Victoria Hebert, Mr. Prudhomme, Mrs. Kelly Thompson, Dr. Diana Broussard, Mr. Jacob Tonglet, and Coach Whiting, without your help and support this retreat would not have run so smoothly. Also, I would like to thank the many people who work at the Dry Creek Baptist Camp. They helped to create an atmosphere and facility to host the retreat.

As this class, and all our students, continue to journey through this year, I humbly ask that you keep them in your thoughts and prayers; praying that Christ would continue to work in each of their lives throughout these next nine months.

# \*\*\*Campus Ministry NEWS \*\*\*

\*Club Sign-ups will begin at the beginning of September! Be on the lookout for a Google form to sign up and order form for your T-shirt!

\*Our First Friday devotion will begin September 6 at 7am in the Chapel. Please join us to begin this journey of Devotion together. We will also Celebrate Mary's Birthday after Mass with Donuts on the porch of the Chapel.



### **BULLETIN BOARD**



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



# Do you make a great gumbo?

Consider entering this year's Gumbo Cookoff and compete for top honors!

For more information, contact Kayla in the Development Office at klink@ndpios.com or 337-783-7143.

ND is a peanut-free school! Food, drinks or snacks with peanut/peanut products are not allowed on campus. We

have students on campus with peanut allergies. Thanks!

NDHS Library collects Community Coffee labels. Please send in labels as no amount is too small. This is an easy way to support our library!





HAPPY BIRTHDAY!



- 1- Erin Domingue
- 4- Sebastian Pitts
- 4- Anna Hunt
- 5- Addison Zaunbrecher
- 7- Austin Richard
- 7- Jake Johnson
- 8- Wyatt Broussard
- 9- Ava Bourgeois
- 10- Griffin Doucet

- 10- Annie Matte
- 11- Lola Stanford
- 12- Nylan Billy
- 15- Julian Duhon
- 15- Phoenix Russell
- 16- Vivian Bush
- TO VIVIAII DUSI
- 17- Eli Pommier 17- John Schultz
- 18- Huntson Hebert

- 21- Parker Meagher
- 22- Carter Andrepont
- 23- Parker B. Menard
- 25- Keagan Valdetero
- 25- Cullen Richard
- 26- Lainey Stanford
- 28- Claire Mouton
- 29- Ian Albro
- 29- Andrew Hoffpauir

2- Ms. Tamica Trahan20- Coach Chris Stevens

25- Mrs. Joan Mouton 27- Mrs. Juli Elfert



SEPTEMBER







# **Bulletin Board**

# PIONEER FOOTBALL SEASON SCHEDULE 2024

Friday, Sept. 6 Southside Home Friday, Sept. 13 Ville Platte Home **Teurlings** Friday, Sept. 20 **Teurlings** Friday, Sept. 26 CHNI CHNI Cecilia Friday, Oct. 4 Home Friday, Oct. 11 Lake Arthur Homecoming Friday, Oct. 18 LCA LCA Thursday, Oct. 24 **Jennings Jennings** Friday, Nov. 1 **LRCA LRCA** Thursday, Nov. 7 Welsh Welsh

# Sub-Varsity Football Schedule

Sept. 4 Southside @ St. Thomas More Sept. 11 Sept. 16 Teurlings Sept. 24 **CHNI** Oct. 1 @ Cecilia Oct. 9 @ Acadiana Oct. 14 LCA Oct. 21 **Jennings** Oct. 28 **LRCA** 





Please follow us on our socials to keep up with the latest ND news...

Facebook Page - Notre Dame High School of Acadia Parish Instagram - notredamepioneers



With Homecoming quickly approaching, we ask that you pay close attention to the dress guidelines for our students and their dates. Page 57-58 in the handbook has further details. As always, please ask Mrs. Kelly **BEFORE** the dance if you feel that your dress might not fit the guidelines.

#### Girls

- Tops
- o The neckline of a dress, top, or gown must be cut in a modest way.
- No cleavage showing (Discretion is left to the faculty)
- If cleavage is showing, the student will be asked to leave the dance or may be supplied a sweater or shawl in order to be in compliance with dance dress regulations.
- Spaghetti straps or strapless dresses are allowed, as long as they are not low cut.
- The cut of a dress in the back and sides must not be below the natural bra line. Backless dresses are not allowed.
- Length
- o A skirt or dress must be below the knee, NOT at the knee or right above it.
- o Side, front, and back slits in a dress/skirt must be below the knee.
- o Only tea-length dresses and floor-length dresses will be allowed.
- Miscellaneous
- No midriff is allowed to show.
- No navel is allowed to show.
- o No dress may contain fabric cut-outs. This includes openings covered with net-like fabric.
- o Dresses should not be excessively tight. Discretion is left to the faculty.

#### Boys

• Homecoming: Polo or collared dress shirt with dress pants. T-shirts are not allowed. Sport coat, tie, or bow tie are optional.

The 2024-2025 Yearbook staff will begin accepting orders for personalized student yearbook ads and business ads beginning October 1st. Ads will be sold through December. If parents/family would like to purchase a personalized ad honoring a student, they should contact Mrs. Vidrine at ovidrine@ndpios.com. If any community businesses would like to purchase an ad, and they have not purchased a yearbook ad in the last two years, they should contact Mrs. Vidrine at ovidrine@ndpios.com. These businesses will be placed on a list, and a yearbook staff member will contact them between October and December. All the regular buyers of ads will be contacted by a yearbook staff member.

# Celebrate Homecoming 2024 and support

# Notre Dame High School

by attending this fun, family event!

Thursday, October 10 ~ Notre Dame Practice Field

6:00 pm ~ Following the Homecoming Parade



\$5 per person in advance or at the event!

Admission includes all the gumbo you can eat!

Soft Drinks and Water will be available for purchase.

Tickets can be purchased at Notre Dame or by calling Kayla Link at 337-783-7143 klink@ndpios.com

