

Burlington Notre Dame News
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“Inspiring the Mind...Engaging the Heart”

September 2016

Dear Parents, Students and Friends,

We hope everyone is getting off to a great school year. We wish everyone a safe and happy Labor Day weekend.

September 2 – School is in Session (no buses)

September 5 – No School

September 13 – All School Mass with Bishop Amos

September 18 – Pot O’ Blue & Gold Drawing at Pzazz

Attention: K – Grade 12 families!!! By using the Notre Dame web browser, parents are able to log in to the JMC Parent Access module to view data for their children for attendance, report cards, progress reports, parent information (addresses/contact data), and lunch accounts. Directions to log in to JMC Parent Access online is listed on: www.burlingtonnotredame.com. One email address is needed from each family; then a password will be assigned to you. Please give Dawn Hammel (6-12 parents) or Amy Meekins (K-5 parents) your email address if you would like to use JMC Parent Online Access.

Business Office News

Annual/Semi-annual payments were due in August. Please contact the Business Office if you need to change your billing to a monthly status.

Remember to use your Target card when shopping at Target. Notre Dame receives 1%!

Day Care Parents/Early Arrival – Charges for Day Care and Early Arrival will be billed on the same statement. Please remember that Day Care charges and Early Arrival charges are due upon receipt. Charges for day care services will be billed weekly. Charges for Early Arrival will be billed on a monthly basis. Day Care charges will include hours from Monday - Friday and will be mailed on the following Monday. Finance charges are assessed to any account over \$10 on the **last day of the month**. If your account is below \$5, you will not receive a billing statement for the week. Automatic withdrawal from a checking or savings account is available for Day Care/Early Arrival charges. See the Business Office to get signed up. If your account for Day Care or Early Arrival program becomes delinquent at the end of the month, your child/children will not be allowed to use either program.

The Day Care is in need of toys in good condition. If you have any to donate, please contact Kerry Hopper.

Family Directory: From time to time, individuals within the Notre Dame community request class lists with student names, parent names, addresses and phone numbers. Generally, these requests are from room mothers organizing workers for Fun Fest, God’s Portion Day, classroom parties, etc. or from parents planning birthday parties for their children. The Family Directory will also have everyone’s address and phone number in it. We will not give this information to people outside our BND family. Please notify the school office by **September 16**, if you wish to have your address and phone number removed from the directory.

Scrip News

New to the Scrip Program: Papa Murphy’s pizza gift cards are now available in \$5 and \$10 increments.

You can reduce your tuition costs by purchasing Scrip! 2% of everything you purchase goes toward your tuition. We keep a large inventory on hand in the Business Office and the Elementary Office. Scrip is also sold after all Masses. Orders for items not usually kept in the Business Office are placed by noon on Thursdays. Your order will come the following Tuesday (many times earlier). Remember these cards make great gifts for birthdays, anniversaries and Christmas. Call the Business Office if you have questions or wish to enroll. Thanks to all who participate!! Let’s get everyone on board!!

Guidance Office News

The PSAT/NMSQT (preliminary SAT National Merit Scholarship Qualifying Test) will be given at Notre Dame on October 19. Any junior that wishes to take the PSAT is encouraged to sign up to take the test. We will also allow sophomores to take the PSAT as a practice test. Student bulletins and information sheets will be sent home with all sophomores and juniors: please review this information and decide if this test is for your student. The PSAT is given once a year and only junior scores will be considered for scholarships. Juniors and sophomores wanting to take the PSAT must sign up in the guidance office and pay \$16. Details will follow in the October newsletter. No late registrations will be accepted. Let Dawn Hammel know by Oct. 14th if your student will be taking this test.

The next ACT test date is October 22 with a registration deadline of September 16. Late registration deadline is September 7 through September 30. **SENIORS** should take the ACT if they have not already done so. Registration information is available in the guidance office.

Colleges are scheduling their school visit days. We encourage juniors and seniors to take advantage of the opportunity to visit these college admission counselors when they come to Notre Dame. Scheduled visits will be posted outside the guidance office and will be announced daily.

Elementary School News

School pictures will be September 28 & 29.

Home & School News

The Home & School meeting will be held Wednesday, Sept. 7 at 6:00 pm in the cafeteria. The homeroom with the largest percentage of parents in attendance will win a Dilly Bar party! We'd like to invite all parents of children in preschool through 8th grade to join us. We welcome suggestions and ideas from everyone and look forward to a fun and productive year! **Reminder: All preschool through grade 8 Home & School dues of \$15 are due by September 11.** You can drop your payment off in the Elementary Office. Officers for this school year are: President – Deanna Johannsen, Vice President - Teresa Tripp Treasurer – Tracy Gerhardt.

Religious Ed. News

Catholic families: The "Rite of Christian Initiation for Children" (RCIC) Program is for children and youth who are older than 7 years of age, or in third grade or higher, who have not been baptized in the Catholic faith or received their First Communion yet. If you are interested in this program please call Cease Cady, DRE at 754-8431 x.6 right away to discuss registration for classes.

Notre Dame Athletic Boosters

The Notre Dame Athletic Boosters meet the second Wednesday of each month at 7:00 pm in the High School Library. The 1st meeting of the year will be September 14. Everyone is welcome to attend. Athletic season passes are on sale for \$125 each, or \$75 for fans 55 or older. The passes are good for all home events (except tournaments and district games) through the baseball and softball seasons next summer. You may call Jeremy Swink, the ND Athletic Director or Mary Ann Gall in the Business Office to order a pass.

Notre Dame Development Director/Foundation News

How would you like to win \$100,000? We are down to the last weeks of the **2016 Pot O' Blue & Gold** campaign. September 18th will be here before you know it. Thank you to everyone for your help with this important fundraiser. We have amazing volunteers. The drive-up ticket booth will be open the week of September 12th. Call or stop by if you want to sign up for a shift. People are ready to buy and we have great sales incentives for our Notre Dame Families. The drawing event is Sunday, September 18th at PZAZZ convention and event center. Save the date! Once again this event will be a fun family night with entertainment provided by our talented Notre Dame students. Thank you everyone for all you do to help our school.

Faith in Our Future Thank You to everyone who already made their pledge to our "Faith in our Future" Capital Campaign. For the last two summers we have been able to improve our campus and facility because of this capital campaign. Campaign fundraising efforts will continue with pledges coming in over the next three years. If you would like to meet with a campaign volunteer about your pledge please contact Val Giannettino, Development Director at [\(319\)754-8431](tel:3197548431).

Thank You for your support of Notre Dame Catholic School.

Fundraising News: If your Notre Dame team, club or group is planning any fundraising during the 2016-2017 school year please contact Val Giannettino, Development Director to coordinate dates and other details. Our master marketing and fundraising calendar is located in the Development office. This system helps keep everyone organized and allows all groups to be successful. We encourage teams and groups to meet with the *Home & School Spirit Store* when printing up shirts and gear. Contact Trisha Lake at 319-310-1238 for more information. The Spirit Store helps raise money for the school and can help coordinate your orders.