

NOTRE DAME PREPARATORY SCHOOL
VIEWBOOK

grow...



YOU WANT MORE. You want a school where you can learn, prepare and have fun. You want a community that embraces your individuality as a developing Christian, citizen and scholar. Notre Dame celebrates and champions you as a unique individual. Now is the time to go where you belong.

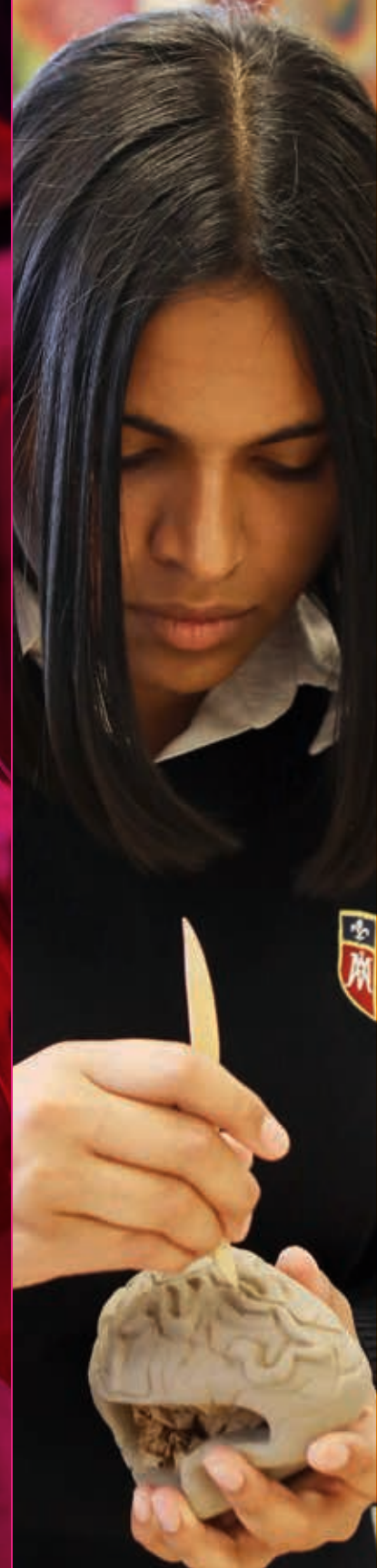


*"I have been able to achieve
and do so much more than
I ever thought possible."
— MATTHEW*

*"It's a place where kids like me
desire to be, rather than a place
where students feel obligated
to attend." — DAVID*

be creative

PAINT! SING! PLAY! PERFORM! At Notre Dame, you can be an artist, singer, musician, actor, engineer or anything else you aspire to. Don't be afraid to express yourself and develop your talents. In this creative community, *you belong.*



ALL THAT JAZZ (AND MORE)

The fine and performing arts are a major component of the student experience at Notre Dame. Whether it is participating in our award-winning jazz and marching bands, or sharpening your photo eye, you have a unique opportunity to develop your understanding and enjoyment of the visual and performing arts while being part of a larger community of like-minded individuals who share your passion and drive for excellence. If you are just starting out or already have an affinity for the arts, go further with our intensive artistic education focused on creating well-rounded students. Let your talent shine. For additional information on the fine and performing arts, visit www.ndpma.org.

EMPOWERING STUDENTS TO MAKE A POSITIVE DIFFERENCE

In today's world, being connected socially—and empathetically—to other people is as important as securing and maintaining high grades. Our students carry this ideal with them beyond our walls, into adulthood and their communities. Through hands-on programs like Engineering and Empathy, students grow in the lessons of sharing, being helpful, solving problems and understanding the feelings of others by immersing themselves with a local nonprofit. Students graduate more successful and better prepared to cultivate loving families and stronger communities. For additional information about our robotics program, visit www.ndpma.org.



“During each new project, (my teacher) never expected anything less than my best, but he has also taught me not to expect anything less than the best from myself.”— ABIGAIL

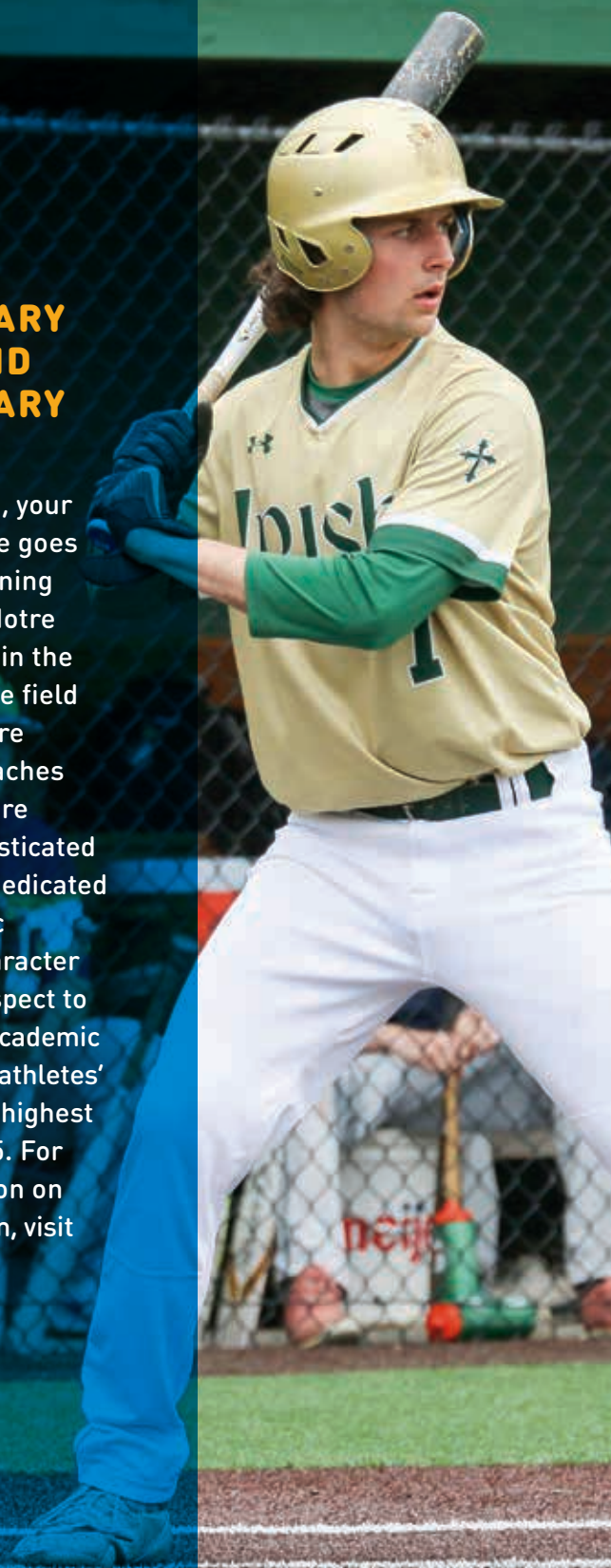
“...the classes are tough, but I have learned how to handle them with the help of some fantastic teachers and friends.”— JOHN

be challenged

REACH HIGHER. DIG DEEPER. MAKE CONNECTIONS. Ask big questions and be open to new ideas. In an environment where students are inspired to be their best, *you belong.*

EXTRAORDINARY ATHLETES AND EXTRAORDINARY SCHOLARS

As a student-athlete, your ability to thrive in life goes well beyond just winning championships. At Notre Dame, your success in the classroom and on the field is a part of the culture among teachers, coaches and staff. Here you are connected to a sophisticated network of support dedicated to fostering a holistic experience, from character development and respect to sportsmanship and academic growth. Our student-athletes' GPAs are among the highest at an average of 3.65. For additional information on our athletics program, visit www.ndpma.org.



*"The opportunities are limitless.
Here I am able to participate
in activities with my peers and
develop different skill sets."*

— LAUREN

*"Notre Dame challenges me as
a student and as a person. It has
allowed me to grow into a better
version of myself."— EVE*

be involved

AT NOTRE DAME, YOU CAN ENGAGE IN MANY THINGS—sports, drama, robotics, student council, peer ministry and other fun activities. On a team, in a cast or in any group of supportive friends, *you belong.*

"I have accomplished things I never would have guessed I would be capable of accomplishing. I believe I will feel totally ready for any hurdles college may place in front of me."— JOHN

be confident

DARE TO BE DIFFERENT. Dare to try something new. Dare to be yourself. As you grow in self-confidence, you will find purpose and happiness. Among the bold, *you belong.*



"I can voice my opinions about what I believe, and others will respect what I say. They'll even join in the conversation."

— LAUREN

"The spiritual retreats and activities have helped me become more of a Christian person, and also helped me build a more personal relationship with God." — MATTHEW

be faithful

STRIVING TO FOLLOW CHRIST, you embrace opportunities to grow in your faith through daily prayer, study and spiritual development. As a child of God, *you belong.*



STUDENT PEERS PAY IT FORWARD

Freshmen year is full of exciting new challenges, but students at Notre Dame Prep have each other's back. Through a unique peer leader program geared toward helping freshmen and transfer students better adjust socially and academically, upperclassmen representatives serve as "big brothers and sisters" to their fellow students while exercising leadership and compassion, skills needed in today's workforce. Peer leaders strive to live out the Marist values of humility, hospitality and inclusion while growing in their practical leadership and team-building skills. Learn more about faith development and our Campus Ministry program at www.ndpma.org.





be you

BE WHO GOD MEANT YOU TO BE. Be a light for the world. Come and shine
at Notre Dame. *You belong here.*

AT NOTRE DAME, WE KNOW COLLEGE-BOUND STUDENTS LIKE YOU NEED TO BE CHALLENGED AND INSPIRED TO LEARN IN MULTIPLE FIELDS.

We want you to study hard and love your school experience at the same time. Be an artist, musician, mathematician, scientist, historian, work on that second language, and watch your love of learning grow. With all Notre Dame has to offer, you won't want to go home at the end of the day.

Notre Dame provides you a wide variety of courses to explore. Here you'll have a chance to delve into new subjects and dig deep into your favorites. You'll have the opportunity to do more labs, more projects and more investigations. You'll learn how to apply your knowledge and develop self-management skills that will benefit you for a lifetime.

The courses listed here will give you an idea of the fun you can have while you learn as a developing Christian, citizen and scholar, in a place where you belong.

MATHEMATICS

Algebra I 1 and 2*
Algebra II 1 and 2
AP Calculus 1 and 2
Geometry 1 and 2*
Honors Algebra II 1 and 2
Honors Discrete Math 1 and 2
Honors Geometry 1 and 2*
Honors Integrated Math 1 and 2*
Honors Integrated Math (10) 1 and 2*
Honors Trigonometry/Pre-Calculus 1 and 2
IB HL Math (11) 1 and 2
IB HL Math (12) 1 and 2
IB SL Math (12) 1 and 2
Math Applications
Personal Finance
Pre-Calculus
Trigonometry

SCIENCE

Anatomy
Anatomy and Physiology
AP Biology 1 and 2
AP Chemistry 1 and 2
AP Physics 1 and 2
Astronomy
Biology 1 and 2*
Botany
Chemistry 1 and 2
Earth Science 1 and 2
Engineering & Empathy
Entomology
Honors Chemistry 1 and 2
Horticulture
IB Biology HL 1 and 2
IB Biology HL 3 and 4
IB Chemistry SL 1 and 2
IB Environmental Science 1 and 2
IB Physics 1 and 2
Physics 1 and 2

COMPUTER SCIENCE

AP Computer Science 1 and 2
AP Computer Science Principles 1 and 2
Computer Aided Design
Fundamentals of Computer Science*
Honors Advanced CAD CAM
Intermediate CAD CAM

BUSINESS

Accounting 1 and 2
Entrepreneurship/Marketing

LANGUAGE & LITERATURE

AP English Composition 1 and 2
AP English Literature 1 and 2
Honors Language
& British Literature 1 and 2
Honors Language
& World Literature 1 and 2
IB English HL 1 and 2
IB English HL 3 and 4
Language & American Literature 1 and 2
Language & British Literature 1 and 2
Language & Literature 1 and 2*
Language & World Literature 1 and 2
Personal Project
Public Speaking
Yearbook

LANGUAGE ACQUISITION

Honors Mandarin Chinese 7 and 8
Honors Mandarin Chinese 9 and 10
Honors Mandarin Chinese 11 and 12
Honors Spanish 7 and 8
Honors Spanish 9 and 10
Honors Spanish Literature 1 and 2
IB/AP Mandarin Chinese 1 and 2
IB/AP Spanish 1 and 2
Mandarin Chinese 1 and 2*
Mandarin Chinese 3 and 4*
Mandarin Chinese 5 and 6
Spanish 1 and 2*
Spanish 3 and 4*
Spanish 5 and 6

RELIGION

Catholic Social Teaching
Foundations of Catholic Morality
History of Christianity
IB Christian History
Jesus Christ*
Moral Issues & Lifestyles
The Bible*
The Paschal Mystery
The Sacraments
World Religions

SOCIAL STUDIES

American Culture
American Government
AP European History 1 and 2
AP Government 1 and 2
AP U.S. History 1 and 2
Current Issues
Economics
Forensic Psychology
IB History HL 1 and 2
IB History HL 3 and 4
IB Theory of Knowledge (TOK)
IB/AP Macroeconomics 1 and 2
IB/AP Psychology 1 and 2
Law
Psychology
U.S. History 1 and 2
World Cultures 1 and 2*

PHYSICAL EDUCATION

Health and Physical Education 1 and 2*
Mind & Body Wellness
Sports Medicine
Team Sports
Training for the Athlete

PERFORMING ARTS

Honors Chamber Choir
Honors Jazz Band 1 and 2
Irishmen
Marching Band*
Praise & Worship Ensemble
Symphonic Band*
Women's Chorus

VISUAL ARTS

Advanced Ceramics
Advanced Digital Photography
Advanced Drawing
Advanced Painting
AP Art History 1 and 2
Art Foundations*
Basic Digital Photography
Drawing & Painting
IB Visual Art 1 and 2
IB Visual Art 3 and 4
Intermediate Ceramics
Intro to Ceramics*

*denotes typical freshmen-level courses.

HOW DO WE KNOW NOTRE DAME GRADUATES ARE PREPARED FOR COLLEGE? THEY TELL US.

"My four years at Notre Dame bolstered my spirituality, equipped me with academic tools for the future, and instilled religious and personal values that I carry with me to this day. My academic transition to U of M was seamless, owing to the school's commitment to forming well-rounded students. They're not joking about the 'P' in 'NDP!'"

DAVID MIKKOLA: WALTON CHARTER ACADEMY '15; NDP '19; MICHIGAN '23

"Looking back on my years at NDP, I was more prepared for college than I ever could have imagined. Along with the world-class academics, I learned how to approach every situation and challenge that comes my way in a mature and respectful manner. I know my NDP education and my strong faith has instilled in me the discipline and perseverance it takes to succeed as a student-athlete at Butler University."

CELIA GAYNOR: ST. MARY '14; NDP '18; BUTLER '22

"Notre Dame shaped me into a well-rounded student with the skills to be successful in a competitive college environment. I am grateful to NDP for helping me become a leader, and for instilling in me a strong work ethic, an appreciation for creativity, and empathy for others. I will carry these values with me throughout my collegiate and professional career."

GABRIELLE JACOBY: NDMS '13; NDP '17; TEXAS '21

	2020	2019	2018	2017	2016
AVERAGE ACT	26.5	26.8	26.9	27.2	27.2
ACT SCORES +30	32	58	61	51	56
% OF STUDENTS SCORING 3+ ON AP EXAM	67	53	59	69	76
% OF DP CANDIDATES EARNING IB DIPLOMA	86	76	74	95	97
AP SCHOLARS	73	72	74	84	59
NATIONAL MERIT SEMI-FINALISTS	1	2	4	3	2

DID YOU KNOW? In the last five years, Notre Dame graduates have been accepted to a number of the nation's most prestigious colleges and universities. A sampling follows:

BOSTON COLLEGE
BROWN
CASE WESTERN RESERVE
COLUMBIA
CORNELL
GEORGETOWN
GEORGIA TECH
JOHNS HOPKINS
LEHIGH
NEW YORK UNIVERSITY
NORTHWESTERN
PURDUE
RENSSELAER POLYTECHNIC INSTITUTE
STANFORD
SYRACUSE
TUFTS
UCLA
UNIVERSITY OF CHICAGO
UNIVERSITY OF MIAMI
UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN
UNIVERSITY OF NORTH CAROLINA
UNIVERSITY OF NOTRE DAME
UNIVERSITY OF WISCONSIN
UNIVERSITY OF VIRGINIA
VANDERBILT
VILLANOVA
WAKE FOREST
WASHINGTON UNIVERSITY
WILLIAM & MARY

NOTRE DAME PROVIDES ITS DIVERSE STUDENT BODY A CATHOLIC AND INTERNATIONALLY RECOGNIZED COLLEGE-PREPARATORY EXPERIENCE OF LASTING VALUE. OUR MISSION: WITH GOD, WE FORM CHRISTIAN PEOPLE, UPRIGHT CITIZENS AND ACADEMIC SCHOLARS.

Notre Dame is a co-educational school run by the Marist Fathers and Brothers, and is welcoming to students and families of all faiths. We are an authorized International Baccalaureate World School, providing the Middle Years Programme (MYP) to freshmen and sophomores, and offering the prestigious Diploma Programme (DP) to juniors and seniors.

As a student at Notre Dame, you'll start your school day at 7:45 a.m., and finish at 2:45 p.m. You'll carry eight courses, but sit for five 55-minute classes per day in an eight-day rotating schedule. Each day you'll have Community Time, giving you 35 minutes to meet with clubs, catch up on schoolwork, collaborate with peers, or visit with a teacher/advisor in a small-group setting.

At Notre Dame you will be given opportunities to challenge yourself in multiple ways. Ultimately these opportunities will prepare you to follow Christ, serve others and seek wisdom, the goal for every Notre Dame graduate.



ADMISSIONS INFORMATION

The admission process at Notre Dame is designed to build a diverse student body that strives to fulfill all the major components of our school mission in developing Christians, citizens and scholars. Though Notre Dame serves a predominantly Roman Catholic population, applicants from other Christian denominations or non-Christian faiths are welcome. Based on this approach, Notre Dame focuses on attracting students prepared to thrive in a challenging academic program and interested in becoming a contributor to our learning community through their development in arts, athletics, leadership, and faith life. Notre Dame's model applicant strives to grow in all these areas.

REQUIREMENTS FOR ADMISSION TO NOTRE DAME PREPARATORY SCHOOL (GRADES 9-12)

- Complete online application through Blackbaud's MySchoolApp, available at ndpma.org.
- Download and submit Academic Information Request form to student's current school.
- Send online Student Evaluation forms to student's current teachers.
- Interview.

ADMISSION TO NOTRE DAME

Notre Dame begins accepting applications in October, and reviews applicants once all requirements have been met. Applicants to 9th grade must wait until January 22 for their decision, per the Archdiocese of Detroit. The initial deadline for applications is December 18. After that date, applicants may continue to pursue admission and ultimately register as space permits. Registration for the 2021-22 school year opens January 25.

SHADOWING AT NOTRE DAME

As a result of COVID-19, Notre Dame has suspended its "Irish for a Day" program for the 2020-21 school year. We encourage you to visit ndpma.org to see our students and teachers in action, check out our top-notch indoor and outdoor facilities, and watch videos depicting the unmatched student experience we provide.

TUITION AT NOTRE DAME

Notre Dame utilizes a 12-month tuition calendar, beginning in February. In addition to tuition, students are assessed fees for materials such as a tablet, apps, books, etc. Tuition at Notre Dame Prep for the 2020-21 school year is \$17,324.

FINANCIAL AID AT NOTRE DAME

Notre Dame is happy to partner with families wishing to realize an education for their child(ren) at our school. All families are welcome to apply online for assistance through Financial Aid for School Tuition (FAST), which requires all filed tax documentation and W-2s as part of its application. The review period for new families runs from December 1 to February 1. Applications will be

accepted after that date, as long as funds remain available. Whenever possible, qualified applicants in the aforementioned two-month review window will receive notice of an award in their student's letter of acceptance. Awards are applied on September 1.

SCHOLARSHIPS AT NOTRE DAME

Notre Dame is pleased to offer merit scholarships to students who stand out as developing Christians, citizens and scholars. Awarded students will clearly demonstrate their ability and desire to contribute in a meaningful way to our school community. Information on scholarships, requirements and deadlines are posted on www.ndpma.org.

Alumni Award

Children of NDP, NDHS (Harper Woods), Oakland Catholic and Pontiac Catholic alumni are eligible for yearly discounts in tuition at Notre Dame. The award is \$1,000 for the first student and is prorated for additional students. Alumni awards cannot be combined with other merit or financial aid awards.



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