

NOTRE DAME PREPARATORY



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.



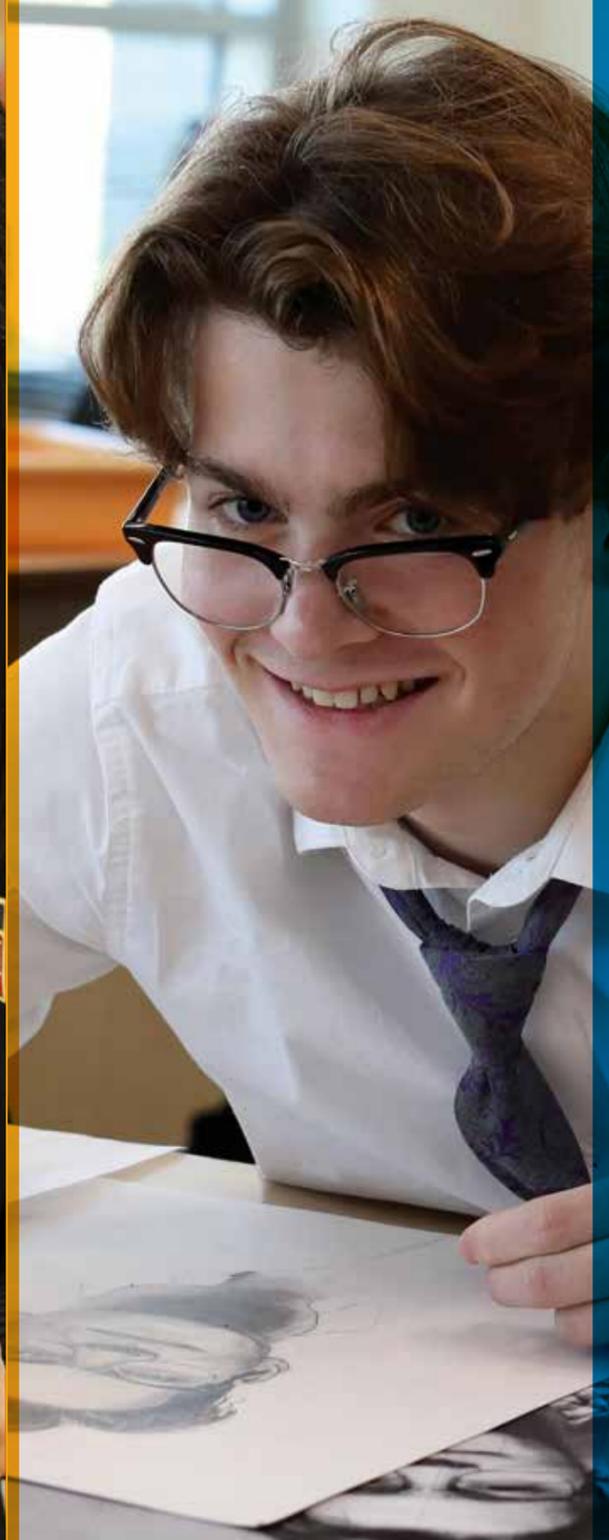
Let's bring here

*"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.



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“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

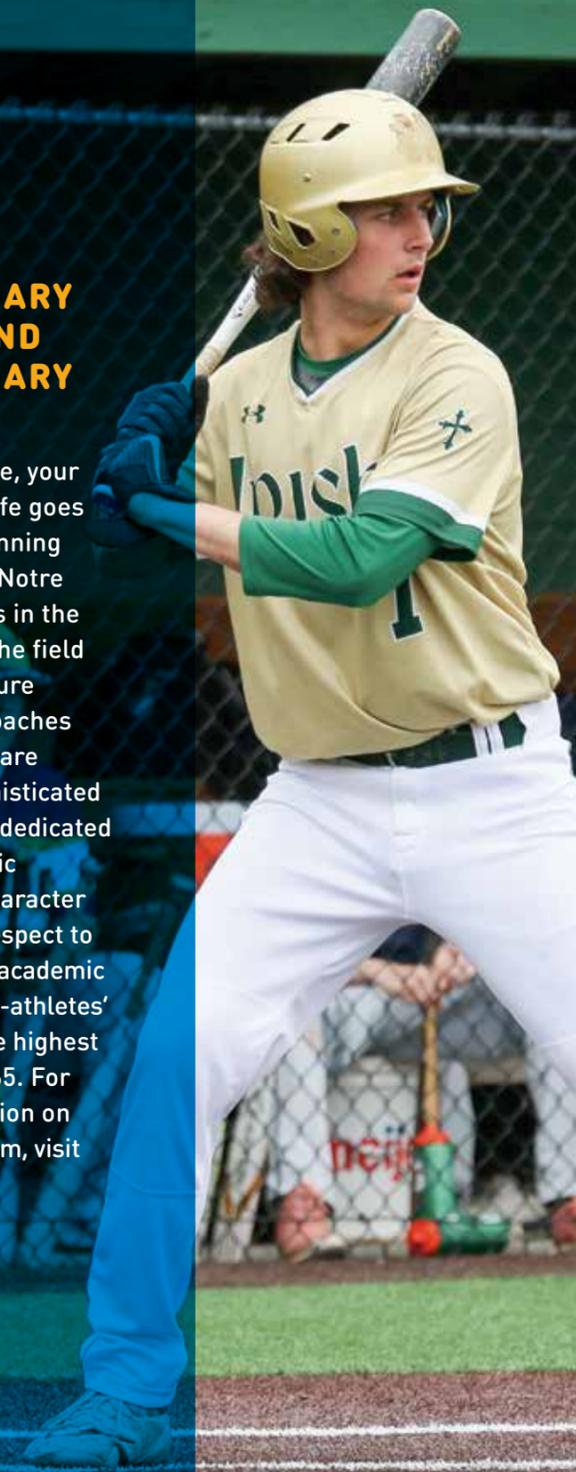
“...the classes are tough, but I have learned how to handle them with the help of some fantastic teachers and friends.”— JOHN

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.



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"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

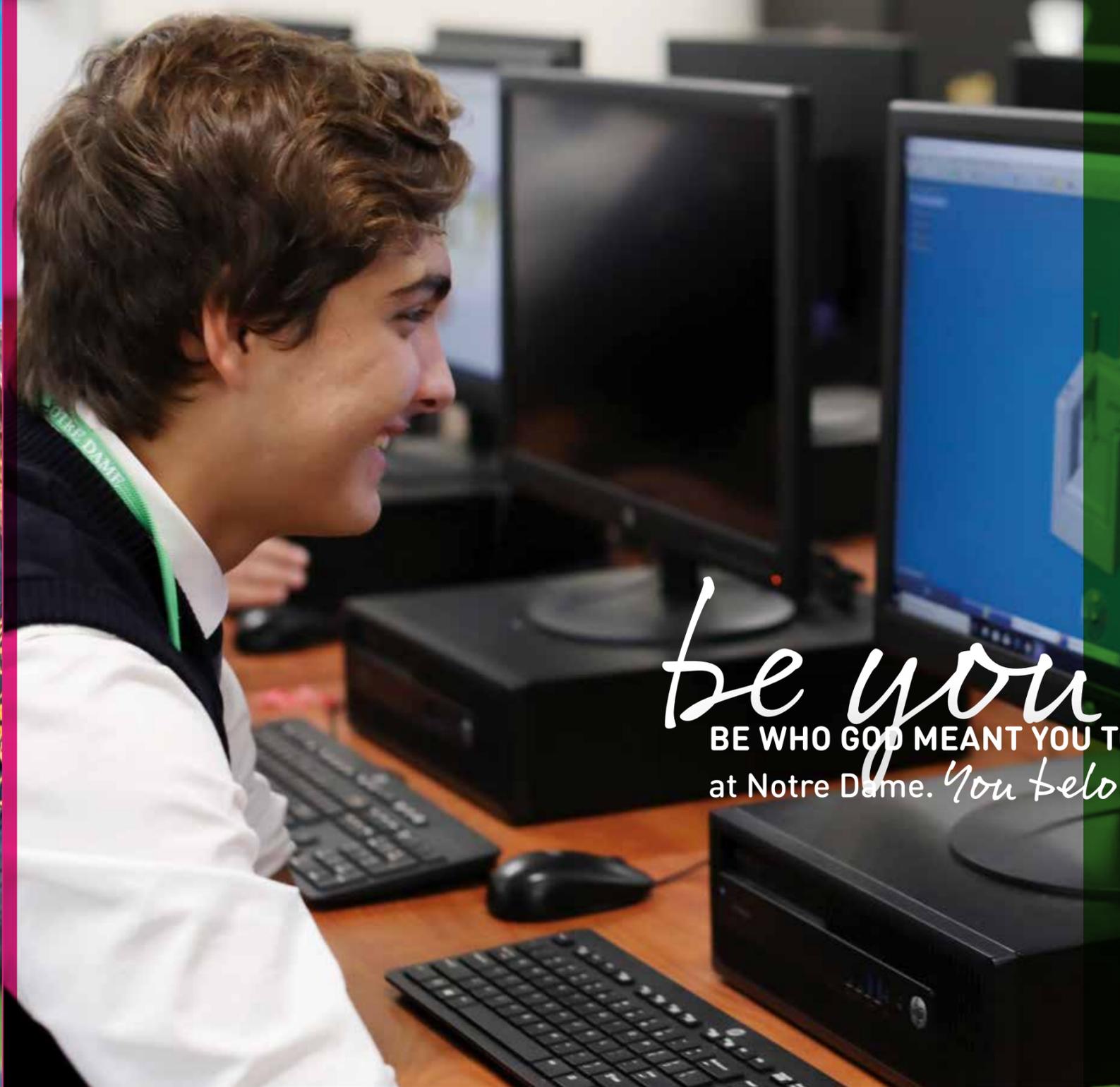
be faithful

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.*



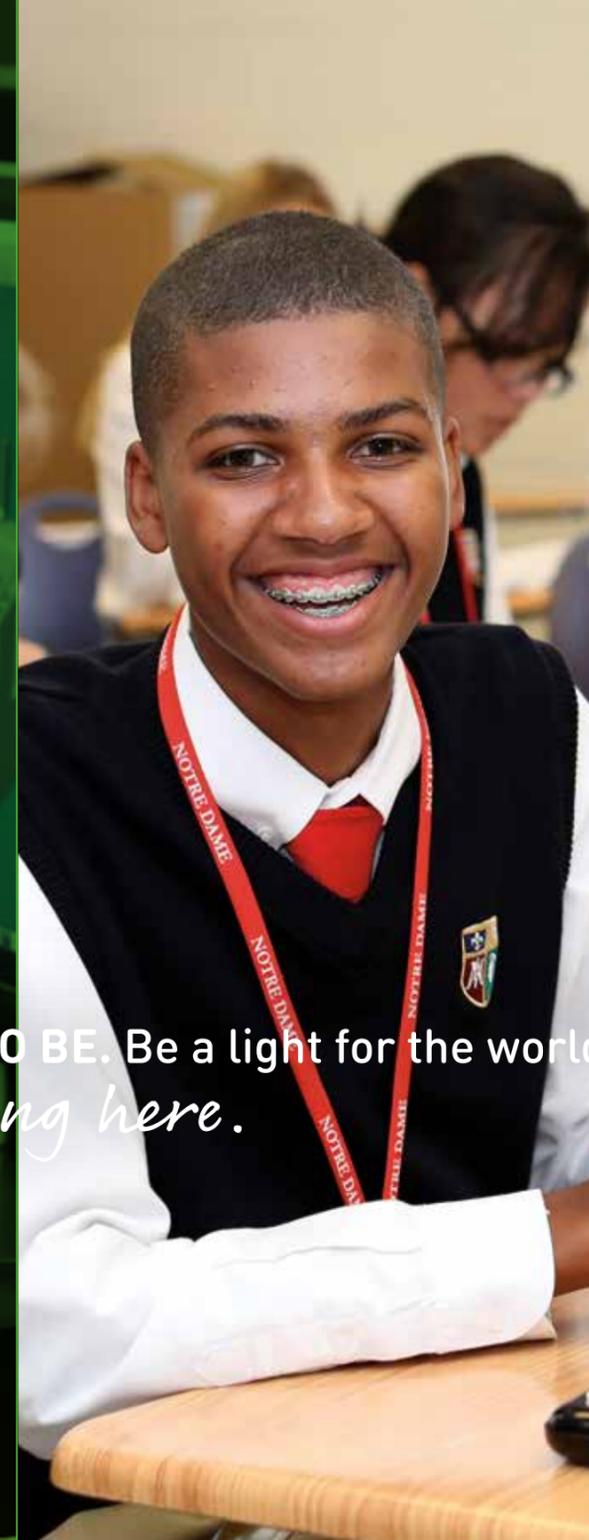
STUDENT PEERS PAY IT FORWARD

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 offers 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
AP Statistics 1 and 2
Geometry 1 and 2*
Honors Algebra II 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 Math Studies 1 and 2
Math Applications
Personal Finance
Pre-Calculus
Trigonometry

SCIENCE

Anatomy
Anatomy and Physiology
AP Biology 1 and 2
AP Physics 1 and 2
Astronomy
Biology 1 and 2*
Chemistry 1 and 2
Earth Science 1 and 2
Engineering & Empathy
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 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
Film Studies
Honors Language & American 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 Spanish 7 and 8
Honors Spanish 9 and 10
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 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
Mythology
Psychology
U.S. History 1 and 2
World Cultures 1 and 2*

PHYSICAL EDUCATION

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

PERFORMING ARTS

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

VISUAL ARTS

Advanced Digital Photography
Advanced Drawing
Advanced Painting
History of Christianity
AP Art History 1 and 2
AP Studio Art 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 time at Notre Dame Prep prepared me to confront the challenges I face every day at Michigan. The dedicated teachers and staff at NDP equipped me with the critical-thinking skills needed to excel academically, and instilled in me the Christian values that help me to maintain and grow in my faith.” – COLLEGE SOPHOMORE (BRENDAN ROOSE: ST. LAWRENCE '14; NDP '18; MICHIGAN '22)

“My years at NDP allowed me to reach a greater appreciation for who I am as a student and as a person. Having discovered my strengths and having been thoroughly prepared academically, I have been able to focus on bettering myself and taking full advantage of the opportunities at hand as a student at DePaul.” – COLLEGE JUNIOR (DANA PANGORI: NDMA '13; NDP '17; DEPAUL '21)

“One thing I appreciate about NDP is how committed the school is to creating a well-rounded student who can go anywhere in the world and still remember what it means to be a Christian with profound morals and values. Everything from my involvement in Peer Ministry to the hardest fun I ever had in robotics has allowed me to succeed at Stanford as a man of God and as an engineer.” – COLLEGE SENIOR (JAMES PILLOT: HENRY FORD ACADEMY '12; NDP '16; STANFORD '20)

“For me, NDP exceeded all standards of what it meant to be prepared for college. At no time in my collegiate academic career did I feel that I did not have the tools necessary to not only accomplish a challenge, but to excel at it. I credit this directly to the teachers, coaches and resources that Notre Dame Prep offers.” – RECENT GRADUATE (JENNA SASSACK: HFRS '11; NDP '15; SETON HILL '19)

	2019	2018	2017	2016	2015
AVERAGE ACT	26.8	26.9	27.2	27.2	27.2
ACT SCORES +30	58	61	51	56	52
% OF STUDENTS SCORING 3+ ON AP EXAM	53	59	69	76	79
% OF DP CANDIDATES EARNING IB DIPLOMA	76	74	95	97	92
AP SCHOLARS	72	74	84	59	64
NATIONAL MERIT SEMI-FINALISTS	2	4	3	2	3

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
- BOSTON UNIVERSITY
- CASE WESTERN RESERVE
- COLUMBIA
- CORNELL
- DUKE
- GEORGETOWN
- GEORGIA TECH
- JOHNS HOPKINS
- LEHIGH
- NEW YORK UNIVERSITY
- NORTHWESTERN
- PURDUE
- RENSSELAER POLYTECHNIC INSTITUTE
- STANFORD
- SYRACUSE
- UCLA
- UNIVERSITY OF CHICAGO
- UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN
- UNIVERSITY OF MIAMI
- UNIVERSITY OF NOTRE DAME
- UNIVERSITY OF PENNSYLVANIA
- USC
- 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.

2019-20 ADMISSIONS EVENTS

September		
Friday, 9/20	Homecoming	7 p.m.
Thursday, 9/26	Info Night #1	6:30-8 p.m.
October		
Sunday, 10/20	Open House	12-3 p.m.*
November		
Tuesday, 11/5	Lucky Day Shadow Event #1	
Friday, 11/8	Lucky Day Shadow Event #2	
Thursday, 11/14	School Day Open House	9-11 a.m.
Saturday, 11/23	Placement Testing	8 a.m.
December		
Tuesday, 12/3	Admissions Coffee	9-11 a.m.
Saturday, 12/7	Placement Testing	8 a.m.
January		
Friday, 1/31	Irish On-Board Night	6 p.m.
February		
Saturday, 2/1	Placement Testing	8 a.m.
Thursday, 2/27	Info Night #2	6:30-8 p.m.
March		
Saturday, 3/7	Placement Testing	8 a.m.
April		
Thursday, 4/30	Admissions Coffee	9-11 a.m.
May		
Friday, 5/8	Lucky Day Shadow Event #3 (Grade 7)	

*OPEN HOUSE PROGRAM BEGINS AT NOON.

ADMISSIONS INFORMATION

The admissions 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 the online application.
- Submit Academic Information Request form to student's current school (online).
- Submit Student Evaluation forms to student's current teachers (online).
- Take the High School Placement Test (Grade 9 applicants). See testing dates to the left of this page. Grade 9 applicants who test after Dec. 7 will be ineligible to receive merit-based scholarships.
- 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 Jan. 24 for their decision, per the Archdiocese of Detroit. The initial deadline for applications is Jan. 17. After that date, applicants may continue to pursue admission and ultimately register as space permits. Registration for the 2020-21 school year opens Jan. 27.

SHADOWING AT NOTRE DAME

Parents wishing to schedule their student to be "Irish for a Day" may call the Notre Dame Office of Enrollment Management at 248-373-1061, or schedule online by visiting <http://www.ndpma.org/shadow>.

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 for 2019-20 is \$16,451

FINANCIAL AID AT NOTRE DAME

Notre Dame is happy to partner with parents 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 tax documentation and W2s as part of its application. The review period for new families runs from Dec. 1 to Feb. 1. Applications will be accepted after that date, as long as funds remain available. 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 Sept. 1.

SCHOLARSHIPS AT NOTRE DAME

Notre Dame students entering 9th grade may earn a merit scholarship. Qualifications and benefits for freshmen follow.

	HSPT SCORE	% OFF TUITION
FOUNDER'S AWARD	95-99	33% FR / 25% REPEATING
MARIST AWARD	95-99	15% FR / 15% REPEATING
LYON AWARD	90-94	15% FR / 10% REPEATING
IRISH AWARD	85-89	10% FR / NA

Fine & Performing Arts Scholarships (9)

Notre Dame awards band, choir and visual arts scholarships of up to \$1,000 for the freshman year. Electronic submissions are due on an appointed date in early April each school year.

ADDITIONAL NON-MERIT AWARDS

Alumni Award

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

Diversity Scholarship

Students may qualify for a Diversity Scholarship for the first year of attendance at NDP. The award is based on the student response to the diversity statement in the application for admission.



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