

NOTRE DAME ELEMENTARY AND MIDDLE SCHOOL



2026-2027 Back-to-School Guide

Preschool - Grade 8

Complete handbook is available at
www.ndes.org



Justice • Respect • Integrity • Community • Excellence

13000 Auburn Road Chardon, Ohio 44024
440.279.1127 | www.ndes.org

OUR MISSION

Like Mary, who gave Christ to the world,
Notre Dame Elementary and Middle School educates leaders who transform the world,
as Jesus did, by living the truth in love.

OUR VISION

Notre Dame Schools will engage students from preschool through high school
in an exceptional Catholic education.

We will focus on loving, respecting, and educating all
to discover and develop their God-given talents.

We will challenge our students to respond faithfully to Jesus' call to
transform the world by consciously doing good and bringing hope to the hearts of all.

OUR CORE VALUES

Justice

Inspiring all to work toward a more just and peaceful world, especially through service
to those on the margins of society and by caring for all God's creation

Respect

Cherishing and honoring the God-given dignity of each person

Integrity

Challenging and supporting students to live
authentic, virtuous lives

Community

Welcoming and connecting persons so that all may live in love with one heart and soul

Excellence

Continuing and ever-renewing the highly esteemed tradition
of Notre Dame education

MESSAGE FROM THE PRINCIPALS

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Dear Notre Dame Preschool, Elementary, and Middle School Parents,

Welcome to the 2026-2027 school year! We are excited to begin another year of faith, learning, and community together. Our theme for this school year is **"Together as Family, Together in Faith."** Inspired by *Romans 12:5* — *"So we, though many, are one body in Christ, and individually members one of another"* — we are reminded that our school community is strengthened when we walk together in faith, support one another with love, and grow as one family in Christ.

This year, we invite our entire community to continue building a culture rooted in compassion, prayer, kindness, and mutual respect. By working together as partners in faith and education, we will continue to model the core values that define our school: Justice, Respect, Integrity, Community, and Excellence. We remain committed to nurturing a strong school culture centered on faith formation and academic excellence.

Please take time to carefully review the following Back to School Guide, which includes important information to support a strong home-school partnership. While much of the content will be familiar, we ask that you pay special attention to the attendance policy, the dress code, and code of conduct guidelines. When purchasing skirts for your daughters, please keep in mind that they will likely grow several inches throughout the school year. The complete NDES/NDMS Family Handbook will be available on the school website and Final Forms.

We are grateful for your continued support, partnership, and commitment to our Notre Dame community. Together as family and together in faith, let us make this school year one filled with growth, joy and God's blessings.

With warm regards and blessings,



Mrs. Joelle Coates
Middle School Principal



Mrs. Friederike Wintersteller
Elementary School Principal



WELCOME BACK

Faculty & Staff 2026-2027

Elementary School Principal: Mrs. Friederike Wintersteller

Middle School Principal: Mrs. Joelle Coates

Kindergarten: Mrs. Katherine Biro
Miss Rachel Clark
Mrs. Jacqueline Skotzke

Grade 1: Ms. Alexandra Agostino
Mrs. Allison Love
Mrs. Heather Reese

Grade 2: Miss Sarah Lloyd
Miss Addison Schermer
Mrs. Delaney Walsh

Grade 3: Miss Paige Miller
Miss Brianna Semosky

Grade 4: Ms. Christie Golias
Mrs. Paula LaRich
Mrs. Sara Lukacs

Grade 5: Mrs. Carrie Koenig
Mrs. Cara Niksa
Mrs. Lisa Petryszyn

Grade 6: Mrs. Susan Ball
Mrs. Tina McGraw
Mrs. Kathleen Stefancin

Grade 7: Mrs. Michelle Schermer
Mrs. Kelly Stefanek

Grade 8: Mrs. Wendi O'Brien
Miss Victoria Thompson

Physical Education: Mrs. Maureen Nedved

Athletic Director: Mr. Kevin Coates

Athletic Co-Director: Mr. Anthony Chiappone

Instructional Technology/
STEM: Mrs. Halle Davis

STEM K-6/Gifted: Mrs. Sheryl Bacher

Art: Mrs. Mary Gilbert

Vocal, Band, & Music: Mr. Marque Davis
Miss Isabella Clements
Dr. Marsha Kincade

Religion: Mr. Steve Cavolo

Spanish: Señora Marx
Gastelum-Navez
Señora Sally Khula

Pre-Kindergarten
Teacher: Miss Alaura DePaul
Miss Erin Fitzgerald

Preschool 3/4 Teacher: Ms. Marissa Bearer

Preschool 3 Teacher: Mrs. Anne Mann

Director of Admissions: Mrs. Barbara Williams

Administrative Staff: Ms. Anna Love
Mrs. Janelle Perme

Faith Formation
Coordinators: Sr. Ellen Beebe, SND
Mrs. Lisa Dobe

Campus Ministry: Mrs. Colleen DiSanto

Speech: TBT

Psychologist: Mr. David Bellini

Intervention Specialist: Mrs. Destiny O'Brien

Librarian: Ms. Judy Szabo

Reading Specialist: Mrs. Brandy Ratka

Nurse: Mrs. Elizabeth Bacnik

After Care: Miss Kaylee Brown

Welcome to Notre Dame Schools

Ms. Marissa Bearer as our Preschool 3/4 Teacher

Miss Isabella Clements as our Choir Teacher

Ms. Christie Golias as our 4th Grade Teacher

Mrs. Paula LaRich as our 4th Grade Teacher

Miss Addison Schermer as our 2nd Grade Teacher

Miss Brianna Semosky as our 3rd Grade Teacher

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Faith Formation

Notre Dame Elementary and Middle School provides students with an experience of living in a community of faith that supports their development of a deep, personal relationship with Jesus, leads them to a meaningful participation in the sacramental life of the Church and assists students in developing attitudes of service. All students participate in religious instruction.

Liturgical and Sacramental Participation and Preparation

To support students in the growth of their faith, they are provided frequent opportunities to plan and participate in the celebration of Eucharist and prayer services according to the liturgical year. While students receive the sacraments of Reconciliation, First Communion, and Confirmation in their home parishes, the 2nd and 8th grade curriculum support the preparation for the sacraments. It is the responsibility of the parent to contact their parish in September to have their children included in the parish programs for sacramental preparation.

Service Requirement

All Middle School students are required to complete service hours before they graduate. Students in grade 6 are required to complete 10 service hours. Students in grade 7 are required to complete 15 service hours. Students in grade 8 are required to complete 20 service hours.



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HOME AND SCHOOL COMMUNICATIONS

Parent Communications

As a partner in your child's education, Notre Dame provides a connection between home and school as a key to guaranteeing success. Listed below are methods to strengthen communication connections.

Friday Focus

The *Friday Focus* is a newsletter intended to be distributed through text and email every Friday afternoon, so that parents can remain connected with the week's most important updates. Past Friday Focus editions are available at www.ndes.org.

Website

Check our website at www.ndes.org for new information and updates. We will continually use the website as a resource for quick posts and other timely information for parents and students to view.

Student Progress System - PowerSchool

Information regarding your child's progress can be accessed through the PowerSchool system app or desktop application.

Account credentials for each new family will be emailed prior to the start of the school year.

Handbook Updates

The Handbook is located at www.ndes.org. The Handbook serves as the "written agreement" between the family and school in terms of the expectations we have for the relationship between the school, parents, and their children.

Parents and students are responsible for understanding and following the information in this handbook. During a school year, a policy may be amended, revised, or deleted. If this occurs, the school will attempt to give notice. It remains the prerogative of the school administration to implement and interpret the provisions of the handbook.

Parents are requested to indicate their acceptance of all Handbook policies by electronically signing the Parent-Student Handbook form in Final Forms.

Parent Teacher Conferences PS – 8: October 20 & 22

Teacher conferences are held once a year for grades PS-8 on October 20 & 22. Registration for conferences will be online. At any time, teachers can be contacted by email or phone. A complete directory of email addresses is located on our website.

Contacting Teachers

Teachers can always be contacted via phone, voicemail, or email. Expect a response within 24 hours. The home phone or mobile numbers of any school personnel or students will not be released by Notre Dame Elementary and Middle School.

Parent Involvement

Parents, as the primary educators of their children, partner with the school by:

- Promoting the faith formation of their children
- Making church attendance an integral part of family life
- Supporting the school and staff in every way possible
- Providing an atmosphere at home that promotes good study habits
- Developing and encouraging the gifts and talents of their children
- Meeting all financial responsibilities promptly and in accord to the financial policies in the handbook
- Supporting and participating in special events sponsored by the school
- Attending, if possible, school programs and events highlighting the children

Start Dates and Times

Students should arrive no earlier than 7:25am to school

PS school day is from 7:55AM–2:30PM

Grades K–8 school day is from 7:55AM–2:40PM

August 12 is Orientation Day from 8-10AM for returning students

August 12 is Orientation Day from 12-2PM for new students

First full day of classes for grades 1–8 in school uniform is August 13

PK & Kindergarten all day with last names A–L is August 13

PK & Kindergarten all day with last names M–Z is August 14

PK & Kindergarten first full day A–Z is August 17

P3 & P4 (A-L) is August 17 MWF

P3 (TR students) (A-L) is August 18

P3 & P4 (M-Z) is August 19

P3 (TR students) (M-Z) is August 20

P3 & P4 (MWF students), all students is August 21

P3 (TR students), all students is August 25

Back to School Night is August 26 from 6-8 PM

Attendance

Your child's safety is always our top priority. It is essential that the main office, administrators and teachers have accurate information at all times. Please assist us by reporting absences and transportation changes as indicated below.

Report Absences, Tardies & Early Dismissals

If your child is absent, tardy or will be leaving school early, please do the following before **8:00AM**:

- **Complete the on-line Attendance/Early Dismissal form**

Upon form completion, all information is sent to the grade level teacher(s) and front office

OR

- **Call the Attendance/Early Dismissal message system 440.279.1127**

Report Daily Changes in Transportation

If your child requires a change in their usual transportation home, please do the following before 2:00PM:

- **Call the Change in Transportation message system 440.279.1127**

Please refer to the Handbook for consequences regarding excessive absences and/or tardies.

Code of Conduct

Students of Notre Dame Elementary and Middle School are expected to act in a manner that reflects their dignity as children of God and transforms their lives. They are expected to be young men and women who demonstrate our core values of integrity, who work for justice, treat others with respect, value community, and strive for excellence.

Notre Dame Elementary and Middle School Code of Conduct flows from its mission, vision, and core values and intends to develop the art of self-discipline in each student and promote an atmosphere conducive to building a Christian community and effective learning in all classrooms.

Personal Electronic Devices

Technology is used extensively for educational purposes and is provided by the school. **Students in K-5** are not permitted to have any personal electronic devices, including cell phones, at school or on the bus. Electronic devices also include iPads, Apple/electronic watches and gaming devices.

Middle School students will be allowed to have phones in school, but they will be collected and stored in their homerooms. Electronic watches are not permitted.

7 POLICIES & PROCEDURES

School Nurse

The school nurse provides immediate care for students who become ill or injured at school during school hours and administers medication in accordance with school policy. Students seen by the nurse will be sent home if any of the following are evident: temperature over 100 degrees, vomiting, diarrhea, an undiagnosed skin rash, or pediculosis (head lice).

Students are required to remain at home if they are ill, have a fever, and until they are free of all symptoms for 24 hours without the use of fever reducing medication.

When a child is in school, the expectation is that they can participate in all activities. The obvious exception would include children with severe asthma or broken bones.

Contact the clinic to discuss any accommodations required following surgery or an injury. The school nurse can be contacted at 440.279.1130.

Administration of Medication

Any student who is required to take prescription or non-prescription medication during school hours must have on file the medication permission form with physician and parent signatures or provide a written note from the prescribing physician which details the name of the drug, dosage, route and time of administration, possible side effects, reason for use, and expiration date of order with physician and parent signatures. This also includes cough suppressants, throat lozenges, aspirin, and antacids which are over-the-counter non-prescription medications.

Upon arriving at school, bring the medication or OTC medication in the original container directly to the school nurse in the clinic. Parents of students who use an inhaler or an epi-pen must submit the necessary forms for a child to carry this medication. Before the end of the school year, a parent or guardian must pick up unused medication or the nurse will dispose of it.

Immunizations and Physicals

Ohio State Law requires that any child who does not meet the Ohio minimum requirements for shots cannot be admitted to school. Parents will be notified if a student is not in compliance. After 15 days, the student will be excluded from school if they are still non-compliant.

After Care

After Care operates when school is in session. Online registration and payments will be processed by credit card autopay only.

Operation Hours - Location

After Care Hours:

2:40PM until 6:00PM

Pickup Location:

NDES Dining Room Back Door

Registration Fees and Rates:

Registration Fee: \$60 per student

First Half-hour: \$5, includes snack

Each ¼ Hour: \$2

Billing rate begins at 2:45PM

CYO Sports

Notre Dame Elementary and Middle School participates in the CYO Athletic Program. The program runs year round. Contact Mr. Kevin Coates at athleticdirector@ndes.org.

Fall Sports Registration - May – June

Practices begin in late July

Cross Country (boys & girls grades 1-8), Football (boys grades 1-8), Cheerleading (girls grades 1-8), Soccer (boys & girls grades 3-8) and Volleyball (grades 2-8)

Winter Sports Registration - October

Practices begin in November

Basketball (boys & girls grades 1-8) and Wrestling (boys K-8)

Spring Sports Registration - February

Practices begin in March

Baseball (boys grades 1-8), Softball (girls grades 1-8), Track (boys & girls grades K-8), and Lacrosse (boys & girls grades 1-8)

ND Parent Association

The Notre Dame Parent Association is an organization comprised of parents/guardians. Their purpose is to promote the spirit of Christian community through spiritual and social activities for our families.

Please contact NDPA President Mrs. Jeanne Volkmer and president elect Mrs. Allissa Sipan:
ndpapresident@ndes.org

Transportation

Local school districts provide transportation to Notre Dame. Contact your school district regarding transportation eligibility, pick-up and drop-off times, bus routes and bus transfers. Students are permitted to ride the bus in their district only.

Berkshire:	440.834.3380
Cardinal:	440.632.0261
Chardon:	440.285.4069
Chagrin Falls:	440.893.4055
Crestwood:	330.357.8206
Grand Valley:	440.805.4545
Kenston:	440.543.9567
Kirtland:	440.256.3311
Mayfield:	440.995.7891
Mentor:	440.974.5260
Riverside:	440.357.5571
S. Euclid Lyndhurst:	216.691.2030
Twinsburg:	330.486.2348
West Geauga:	440.729.0026
Willoughby/Eastlake:	440.975.3736



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DRESS CODE & UNIFORM POLICY

Uniform Information

Uniform:

888.637.3037 or www.schoolbelles.com

School Code: s0198

Gym Uniform/Spirit Wear:

Sports & Sports: 440-998-4664, ndes.org

Regular Uniform

Girls in grades K-3 wear NDES plaid jumper, navy blue or NDES plaid slacks, or NDES plaid or navy shorts from Schoolbelles.

Girls in grades 4-5 wear NDES plaid skirt, skort, kilt or kick-pleated skirt no shorter than 3 inches above the knee, navy blue slacks, NDES plaid or navy shorts from Schoolbelles.

Girls in grades 6-8 wear NDMS kilted skirt no shorter than 3 inches above the knee, khaki slacks, or shorts from Schoolbelles.

Girls Shirts grades K-5 solid white, navy, or pastel blue turtleneck or polo shirt, regular or banded bottom are worn. The NDES logo is the only logo permitted.

Girls Shirts grades 6-8 solid white, navy, pastel blue, or gray turtleneck or polo shirt, regular or banded bottom are worn. The NDMS logo is the only logo permitted.

Boys in grades K-5 Navy blue dress pants or navy blue shorts purchased from Schoolbelles. Solid white, navy, or pastel blue polo shirts, dress shirts, or turtlenecks are worn. The NDES logo is the only logo permitted.

Boys in grades 6-8 Khaki pants are to be traditional in style. Solid white, navy, pastel blue, or gray polo shirts, dress shirts, or turtlenecks are worn. The NDMS logo is the only logo permitted.

Boys and Girls K-8 may wear a navy or white, cardigan or pullover sweater. Crewneck sweatshirts, warm-up jackets, or hoodies with the NDES/NDMS or NDCL logo. No other logos are acceptable.

Dress Uniform

All students are required to wear dress uniforms on Mass days or other special days that may be announced throughout the year.

Girls in grades K-3 dress uniform consists of wearing the NDES plaid jumper and blouse or oxford shirt.

Girls in grades 4-8 dress uniform consists of either

wearing the NDES plaid skirt or NDMS kilted skirt no shorter than 3 inches above the knee and blouse or oxford shirt and a navy Schoolbelles vest.

Boys in grades K-3 dress uniform consists of wearing navy school pants with a short or long-sleeved solid polo shirt or dress shirt. Boys may not wear uniform shorts on dress uniform days.

Boys in grades 4-8 dress uniform consists of wearing a dress shirt and tie in uniform colors and navy Schoolbelles vest with **khaki pants (grades 6-8) or navy pants (grades 4 & 5)**. Boys may not wear shorts on dress uniform days.

Belts

Solid brown or black belts are required with belt-looped pants and shorts in grades 4 – 8.

Socks

Socks must be solid colored navy blue, black, or white and above the ankle in length. Simple logos are acceptable. Girls may wear solid-colored tights or leggings in the colors of navy, black, or gray. Girls in grades 4-8 are required to wear leggings or tights with their skirts. Flared leggings are not permitted with the school uniform.

Uniform Shorts

Schoolbelles uniform shorts may be worn from August through September and the month of May, when it is not a dress uniform day.

Shoes

Any low top, closed heel and toe, laced, Velcro or slip-on shoes or tennis shoes may be worn in any combination of the following colors: navy blue, brown, black, gray and white. Light-up tennis shoes are not permitted. Middle school students are permitted to wear high top tennis shoes. Uggs of any kind are not permitted.

Nail Polish & Make-Up

Only clear and light pink nail polish is permitted for grades K-5. No artificial nails are permitted. Middle School students are permitted to wear colored nail polish and light make-up only.

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Jewelry

Traditional wristwatches, religious pins and a simple gold or silver chain may be worn. Girls may wear simple post stud earrings. Electronic (ex. Apple) watches/devices are not permitted.

Hair Policy

Extreme hairstyles are not permitted including hairstyles that cover any part of the eyes. Only natural hair colors are permitted. Simple, appropriate hair accessories are acceptable.

Physical Education Uniform Policy

Grades K – 8

The physical education uniform consists of a gold ND t-shirt (Grades K-5) or navy ND t-shirt (Grades 6-8) and solid navy shorts with the ND logo. Students in grades K-4 must purchase a warm-up set (navy blue crewneck sweatshirt and sweatpants purchased through Sports & Sports on the school website) to be worn over their PE uniform, weather permitting. PE shorts are to be worn under the warm-up set.

Grade K-4 students will be required to wear their Physical Education uniforms throughout the day on their scheduled PE day.

Grade 5-8 students will change into their Physical Education uniforms at school on their scheduled PE days.

Physical Education Uniform Shoe Policy

Any low-top tennis shoe is acceptable. Students are not required to change into a different pair of tennis shoes for PE class.

Spiritwear Days

Clothing for Spiritwear Days consists of any appropriate NDES/NDMS Spiritwear t-shirt or sweatshirt with jeans, sweatpants, or shorts. Shorts are to be at least fingertip length. Running shorts and/or pajama pants are not permitted. Leggings may be worn with a shirt that is at least fingertip length for Grades K-3. No leggings are permitted for Grades 4–8.

Dress Down Days

Clothing for a dress down day is to be appropriate for the NDES/NDMS school environment. Suggestive or offensive language and/or pictures are unacceptable. Tanks, spaghetti straps, bare midriff, and ripped jeans are not permitted. Shorts must be at least fingertip length. Running shorts and/or pajama pants are not permitted. Leggings may be worn with a shirt that is at least fingertip length for Grades K-3. No leggings are permitted for Grades 4–8.



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Lunch & Recess

The Elementary Dining Room and the Middle School Top of the Town Café will be used for lunch.

AVI is providing three lunch options, as well as a gluten-free option. Lunch boxes are permitted.

Food Allergies and Dietary Restrictions

For your convenience, AVI will identify most common dietary allergens (wheat, dairy, eggs, fish, shellfish, sesame, tree nuts, peanuts and soy) and special dietary needs (vegetarian, vegan or gluten-sensitive).

Snacks, Treats, and Parties

Some of our students may have food allergies and/or dietary restrictions. The safety and health of all students is extremely important. All classrooms are nut free.

Two convenient options for birthday celebrations: ordering an allergy-free treat from AVI or sharing a non-edible item. An online form with allergy-friendly options is available.

Point-of-Sale System (POS)

AVI offers a computerized point-of-sale (POS) debit card system for the convenience of students and parents. Cash will also be accepted. AVI's online service allows you to monitor your child's lunchtime purchases, track what your child has been eating for the past 30 days, make deposits directly into their meal accounts, transfer funds between students and have an email reminder sent to you when an account balance gets low. Student debit account deposits can be made through ACH payments or by credit card. Each child's account will be updated nightly so that account balance information and payments will be current as of the following day.

- Funds may be deposited into this account by check (payable to AVI Foodsystems mailed to NDES), by credit card via the <https://ndcl.familyportal.cloud> website, or by cash payment in the school office or dining room.
- **Any existing balances from last year's accounts will roll over to your AVI account.**
- The swipe card functions as a debit card, *not a credit card*. AVI recommends a minimum balance of \$10. If your account balance reaches zero, AVI will allow up to negative \$20.00 before refusal.

To Enroll in the POS system:

- Go to <https://ndcl.familyportal.cloud>
- Watch the two short instructional videos
- Select MY ACCOUNT, then "I need to register as a Family Portal user" and enter your email address on file with the school
- Read and accept Terms and Privacy Policy
- Go to your email and click on the Activation/Verification email
- Establish your account pass phrase
- Enter your student(s) using the school ID numbers and full names
- Using the site's customization features, you can add multiple parent managers of the account. You can also deposit one amount and split it among several students (keeping the fee to only \$2).

All new families will receive an e-mailed reminder of their student(s) ID number and instructions. Please set up your account before the opening of school.

If you have questions...

Please call Mr. Jay Cabatingan, AVI's Resident Director, at (440) 279-1058 or lunchaccounts@ndcl.org.

NOTRE DAME SUPPLY LIST 2026 – 2027

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***Homework Planner Gr. 3-5 and Pencil Pouch Gr. K-8 are included in the activity fee and will be distributed in Homerooms. Gym Uniforms are available for sale throughout the year at ndes.org and delivered to your address or the school.**

***Recommended brands for multipurpose wipes - Seventh Generation, Clorox Free & Clear**

P-3

- 4 boxes of regular Crayola crayons (24 count)
- 2 washable Crayola watercolor paint sets (8 count)
- 2 highlighters
- 2 thin dry erase markers
- 2 pack Crayola ultra-clean washable markers (10 count)
- 12 jumbo glue sticks
- 2 Elmer's liquid glue (7.625 ounces)
- 1 single subject spiral notebook
- 1 pair of blunt Fiskars scissors
- 2 packs of Playdough (large only, any colour)
- 3 packs baby wipes
- 1 box Kleenex
- 2 paper towel rolls
- 4 packs of disinfecting wipes
- 1 thin blanket and small pillow (nap bag provided)

Pre-K/P4

- 3 boxes of regular Crayola crayons (24 count)
- 9 jumbo glue sticks (77 oz)
- 1 single subject spiral notebook
- 1 box of Crayola washable project paint 6-ct. (2oz. each)
- 2 pack Crayola ultra-clean washable markers (10 count)
- 1 pair blunt Fiskars scissors
- 4 packs of Playdough (large only, unscented, any color)
- 2 packages baby wipes
- 1 box Kleenex
- 2 paper towel rolls
- 4 packs of disinfecting wipes
- 1 12oz hand sanitizer
- 1 thin blanket and small pillow (nap bag provided)

Kindergarten

- 1 pair of wired headphones
- NDES pencil pouch*
- 1 box of sharpened Ticonderoga pencils with erasers
- 2 pink erasers
- 2 thin highlighters
- 2 boxes of Crayola crayons (24 count)
- 1 box of Crayola colored pencils (12 count)
- 8 large glue sticks
- 1 pair of scissors
- 2 plastic folders (solid color - 3 prongs)

- 2 dry erase black markers
- 1 dry erase eraser
- 1 box of Crayola classic-colored thin markers (10 count)
- 1 box of Crayola classic-colored thick markers (10 count)
- 1 pack of unscented baby wipes

First Grade

- 1 pair of wired headphones
- NDES pencil pouch* and an additional pouch for supplies
- 2 boxes of sharpened #2 pencils with erasers
- 2 red pens
- 8 expo dry erase markers
- 1 dry erase eraser
- 2 pink erasers
- 2 boxes of crayons
- 2 boxes of colored pencils
- 2 boxes of markers
- 9 large glue sticks (77 oz.)
- 1 pair of scissors
- 2 folders (2 pocket)
- 1 solid color plastic folder
- 3 highlighters
- 1 pack of multi surface wipes *

Please put student's name on all items

Second Grade

- 1 pair of wired headphones (no earbuds)



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NDES pencil pouch*
24 #2 Ticonderoga brand pencils
3 pink erasers
3 yellow highlighters
3 boxes of Crayola crayons (each 24 count only)
1 box of colored pencils (12 count only)
4 small Elmer's glue sticks
1 bottle Elmer's glue (4 oz.)
1 pair of small scissors
1 box thin Crayola markers (10 count)
1 box thick Crayola markers (10 count)
2 composition notebooks (wide-ruled - no wire)
3 plastic folders (2-pocket, any design/colors - no prongs)
1 plastic folders (2-pocket, single/solid color - no prongs)
4 dry-erase EXPO markers (thin, black only)
1 container of Clorox wipes

Please put student's name on all items

Third Grade

1 pair of wired headphones (no earbuds)
NDES pencil pouch*
24 pack of #2 Ticonderoga brand pencils (not mechanical)
2 red pens (non-retractable)
2 pink erasers
1 box of colored pencils (24 count)
1 box of thin markers
1 box of thick markers
6 large glue sticks
1 pair of scissors
1 12" metric/US ruler (not bendable)
1 single subject notebook
3 composition notebooks (wide-ruled - no wire)
6 folders (2 pockets - one of them purple)
2 thin dry erase markers (blue or black)
1 dry eraser
2 packs of post-it notes
1 handheld pencil sharpener
1 thin black Sharpie marker
1 thick black Sharpie marker
5 highlighters (assorted colors)
1 box Kleenex
1 bottle hand sanitizer

Third Grade Angels by Jerry Spinelli

Fourth Grade

1 pair of wired headphones (no earbuds)
NDES pencil pouch*
1 additional soft pencil pouch
24 #2 pencils
2 red pens (non-retractable)
2 pink erasers
4 yellow highlighters
4 large glue sticks
1 pair of scissors
1 12" metric/US ruler (wooden)
2 subject notebooks (Spanish, Math)
1 3-subject notebook
1 black Sharpie marker
4 thin dry erase markers
6 folders (2-pocket - red, blue, yellow, green, purple, and other)
1 box of colored pencils
1 box of crayons (24)
1 package of thin markers
1 handheld pencil sharpener with shaving catcher
1-2 boxes of tissues
1 pack of multi surface wipes *

Fourth Grade Rats by Jerry Spinelli

Fifth Grade

1 pair of wired headphones (no earbuds)
NDES pencil pouch*
1 additional soft pencil pouch
24 #2 pencils
4 red pens (not spring-loaded)
2 pink erasers
4 highlighters
1 black Sharpie
1 black fine tip Sharpie
2 thin Expo markers
4 large glue sticks
1 pair of scissors
1 12" metric/US ruler
2 single subject spiral notebooks
2 3-subject notebook
1 stenographer notebook
1 1" binder
1 divider set for binder (8 dividers with pockets)
2 package of loose-leaf paper (wide rule)
8 folders (2 pockets)
1 set of colored pencils (24 count)
6 post-it note pads

Wish by Barbara O'Connor

Sixth Grade

- 1 pair of wired headphones (no earbuds)
- NDMS pencil pouch*
- 12 #2 pencils
- 5 red pens (NO other pens needed)
- 1 basic calculator
- 2 highlighters
- 2 Sharpie markers
- 2 dry erase markers
- 2 large glue sticks
- 1 pair of scissors
- 1 12" metric/US ruler
- 3 single subject notebooks
- 1 graph paper spiral notebook
- 1 single subject notebook & folder (Spanish)
- 3 packs loose leaf paper – wide ruled
- 3 folders (with pockets)
- 1 box of colored pencils (24 count)
- 1 box of thin markers
- 1 packs 3x5 lined white note cards
- 1 pack of 3-hole punched ½ centimeter graph paper
- 2 1" binder with 4 dividers with pockets in each

OR

- 1 3" binder with 8 dividers with pockets

Track ELA: ***Rules*** by Cynthia Lord
 ELA: ***Fish in a Tree*** by Lynda Mullaly Hunt

Seventh & Eighth Grade

- 1 pair of wired headphones (no earbuds)
- NDMS pencil pouch*
- Pens and pencils (including red pens)
- 1 12" ruler metric/US
- 1 package of Math graph paper (loose, not notepad style, place in Math binder and place in Science binder)
- Highlighters
- Glue sticks
- Scissors
- 2 1-subject spiral notebooks (Religion & Spanish)
- 2 1" binder for Math & Religion
- 3 1-1 ½" binders for ELA, Science, & Social Studies
- 3 packages of 5-tab dividers with pockets
- Loose-leaf paper for each binder
- 1 folder (2 pockets, 3 prongs - for electives)
- Colored pencils (minimum 12-pack)
- 1 Sharpie marker
- 3x5 index cards (enough for all classes)
- 1 scientific calculator (Texas Instruments TI-30XIIS Scientific Calculator suggested)

- 1 composition notebook - college ruled for ELA (new students and incoming 7th graders only)

Summer reading assigned in Readworks.

NDMS

As our Elementary School, Notre Dame Middle School (NDMS) will offer the same personalized academic education to meet the needs of each individual student. NDMS will continue to offer on-track ELA and math instruction but will also offer honors ELA and math instruction for students who need that extra challenge. Students in the middle school will have the opportunity to earn high school credits in Algebra and Spanish I.

NDCL teachers partner with NDMS teachers to offer our middle school students expanded opportunities in art and music. Our eighth-grade students travel to NDCL Fine Arts Building to take art classes every day for ten weeks. In addition, our middle school students can take year-long band classes. Our fifth and sixth-grade students must take band or choir classes.

All our middle school students are on a block schedule with blue and gold days. Grade 6 has ELA, math, science, and social studies for a full block (90 minutes) every other day. In addition, they will have a trimester of STEM, technology, and Spanish. Grade 6 students are also required to take a trimester of PE, art, and study and organizational skills, as well as a full year of band or choir. Religion, health, and writing round out their middle school schedules. Grades 7 & 8 will have ELA, math, Religion, science, and social studies for a full block (90 minutes) every other day. In addition, PE/Health are required courses and will be taught for one quarter (ten weeks) every day. Technology and Spanish will complete their final full block.

Grades 7 & 8 had the opportunity to choose four academic and/or special electives (one quarter in length) to complete their schedules. Parents and students have received course descriptions of these elective courses.

Notre Dame Elementary and Middle School



Grades PS-8 2026-2027 Calendar



AUGUST

- 10-11 Teacher In-service
- 12 Orientation 8-10am Returning Students
- 12 Orientation 12-2pm New Students
- 13 First Full Day of Class (Grades 1-8)
- 13 PK & K (A-L Full Day)
- 14 PK & K (M-Z Full Day)
- Opening Liturgy Grades 3-8
- 17 PK & K (All Full Day)
- 17-21 P3 & P4 Start Week
- 26 PS-8 Back-to-School Night 6-8pm

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JANUARY

- 1 No Classes: Christmas Holidays
- 4 No Classes: Teacher In-service
- 5 Classes Resume
- 18 No Classes: MLK Jr. Day
- Elementary School Liturgy
- Middle School Liturgy

SEPTEMBER

- 4 No Classes: Geauga Fair Day
- 7 No Classes: Labor Day
- 15 Picture Day
- Middle School Liturgy
- Elementary School Liturgy
- 25 No Classes: Teacher In-service

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FEBRUARY

- 10 Ash Wednesday Liturgy Grades 3-8
- 12 No Classes: Teacher In-service
- 15 No Classes: President's Day

OCTOBER

- 14 End of 1st Quarter
- Middle School Liturgy
- Elementary School Liturgy
- 20,22 Parent Teacher Conferences
- 23 No Classes

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MARCH

- 9 End of 3rd Quarter
- Elementary School Liturgy
- Middle School Liturgy
- 24 Morning Retreat-Quiet Entrance
- 25 No Classes: Holy Thursday
- 26 No Classes - Good Friday
- 29-31 No Classes: Easter Holidays

NOVEMBER

- 6 No Classes: Teacher In-service
- Elementary School Liturgy
- Middle School Liturgy
- 25-27 No Classes: Thanksgiving Holidays

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MAY

- Grade 2 Retreat
- Elementary School Liturgy
- 13 8th Grade Graduation/Awards
- 19 End of 4th Quarter
- 19 Last Day of Classes K-7/Awards
- 20 Teacher Record Day

- Teacher In-Service Day - No Classes
- Orientation Day
- First Day / Last Day of School
- Vacation Day / Holiday - No Classes
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Blue / Gold Grades 6-8

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Join Us for the Notre Dame

CHICKEN 2026 BBQ & BOUTIQUE

Sunday, September 27th



Where

Notre Dame-Cathedral Latin
School Gymnasium
13000 Auburn Road, Chardon, OH

When

Noon – 5 p.m.

Information

Chicken Dinner • \$18
(BBQ chicken, coleslaw, chips, roll & apple pie slice)
Expanded indoor & outdoor seating
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All meals will be boxed
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