



NOTRE DAME
CATHOLIC SECONDARY SCHOOL

Good Evening Notre Dame Families,

We excitedly welcomed our students back into the building for the start of semester two today. There was a buzz of excitement and a hum of anticipation. We look forward to working collaboratively with parents and guardians again this semester to ensure our students have every opportunity to be successful and thrive.

PRAYER TO BEGIN A NEW SEMESTER

Lord, as we prepare for the coming of a new semester, make us ready, attentive and available to hear you.

Thank You for the gift of being able to rise each day with the assurance that You walk through it with us.

Thank You for the gifts of creativity and uniqueness, and the energy to put them to good use.

May all that we are today, all that we try to do today, may all our encounters, reflections, even the frustrations and failings all be placed in your hands.

May the work we do and the way we do it bring new hope, new life, and courage to all we come in contact with this semester. We thank you, Lord.

Amen

Black History Month:




Thank you to the staff and students that helped to develop the opportunities for our community to gather, learn, and unlearn, during the month of February and beyond. The theme for Black History Month this year is African Systems of Knowledge which looks at collective harmony, oral traditions, and Afrocentricity. We have put together a calendar with different resources and opportunities for our students and community to explore.

We will also have opportunities to engage our community on the announcements in the morning, in the spectrum at lunch, in the library, and on @InsideND.

Please review the calendar [here](#).



Daily Schedule:

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8:20am - 9:40am	Period 1 Prayer/Anthem/Announcements
9:45am - 11:00am	Period 2
11:05am - 1:00pm	Period 3
11:05am - 11:45am	Period 3A Lunch Grades 10 & 12 (Class 11:45am - 1:00pm)
12:20pm - 1:00pm	Period 3B Lunch Grades 9 & 11 (Class 11:05am - 12:20pm)
1:05pm - 2:20pm	Period 4

Lates:

Students are expected to arrive at school and classes on time. **For period one, students must be in class for opening exercises at 8:20 AM.**

When a student reaches four lates in a course, the teacher will contact home and have a discussion with the parents/guardians. If the lates continue, the student will be sent to the attendance office to speak with a Vice Principal. Persistent lates will result in progressive discipline.

Sign-Outs:

When a student is signed out of school by a parent or guardian, they must leave school property. They are not allowed to be signed out to study in the library or cafeteria or watch a school sports team.

Absences can be reported:

- By phone- 1-844-445-4505
- Via the School Messenger website- <https://go.schoolmessenger.com/#/home>
- Via the School Messenger mobile app

Please note, you must use the email address and/or phone number associated with your child's school to sign up. **Please do not give the login or password information to your child. Absences must be reported by a parent or guardian unless the student is over the age of 18.**

Uniform:

Students are reminded that they are expected to be in **full uniform in all areas of the building.** The only items that are part of our uniform are:

Polo Shirts (Short Sleeve/Long Sleeve)



Rugby Shirt



Hoodie Sweatshirt



Pants



Shorts



The only approved hoodie is the one pictured above and sold at McCarthy's. **SHSM, team, club and spirit wear is not part of our uniform.** Track pants are not part of the uniform and should not be worn in the building at any time. Students are reminded that hats and hoods are not to be worn in the building at any time.

Shoes must be closed toe and closed back. Backless slippers, crocs, and slides are not permitted footwear.

Washrooms:

As we continue to work to improve accessibility in our washrooms, students are reminded:

- Students are not to congregate in washrooms.
- Students are not to sit on the floor or eat in washrooms
- There should only be one student in a stall at all times
- Backpacks are not permitted in the washroom

Students that are unable to adhere to these expectations will face progressive discipline.

Staff Contacts:

Staff contacts are available on our [ND website](#). Please reach out to your child's teacher at any time to discuss their progress.

Additional Supports:

If your child is struggling and you would like to discuss available support, please reach out to your child's Vice Principal.

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Please reach out at any time with questions or concerns.

Sincere thanks,

The Notre Dame Admin Team, @InsideND