

**SEPTEMBER NEWSLETTER 2017**

Dear Notre Dame-Bishop Gibbons Families,

We are quickly approaching the new school year and I would like to take this opportunity to fill you in on how our summer has been going and what the new school year will bring. We have several great additions to our faculty this year.

Michele Albertine - Earth Science and Middle School Science	Christian Brophy - Middle School Social Studies
Hanlet Dominguez - High School Spanish	Ashley Hamilton - Art
Ann McCarthy – High School/Middle School Science	Mallory Scaller – Middle School Spanish
Joe Zaccardo – High School Math	Antonia Shields – Biology
Tricia White - ELA	

We also welcome alum, Megan Salavantis '13, who will be heading up our Admissions and Alumni/Advancement Office!

The Golden Gallup is the first fundraiser of the year and it's never too early to start raising money. Each family is responsible for a \$300 fundraising fee and many families were able to wipe that out in the first month of school last year by participating in this fundraiser. Every dollar a student raises is deducted from the fundraising fee. We had a huge success last year raising \$25,000. It is our goal to beat that number this upcoming year. Students won a variety of prizes including numerous dress-down days, an iPad, prom tickets, gift cards and more. This year we are hoping to add to the prize list, so do not hesitate to get your mailers out as soon as possible. We will be sending packets with mailers home in the first few weeks of school. Please feel free to stop by the main office if you need more! The Gallup will take place Friday October 6<sup>th</sup>, however fundraising will continue till the end of October.

On June 26<sup>th</sup> we had our annual Golf Tournament. This event had over 160 golfers. I am proud to be a part of this community that constantly puts its best foot forward to support the school and the support for this event only further shows how great the ND-BG community is. It was a wonderful event and everyone who participated had a great time. I hope to see this continue to grow next year.

Last year our school suffered the devastating loss of our field house due to fire. The Notre Dame-Bishop Gibbons community is forever grateful to all the "Golden Knights" who have contributed to the rebuilding of the Brother Lopez Fieldhouse. We invite you to come and support our Holy Trinity Football team take on Chatham at our first home game of the season! Celebrate the official opening of the field house with a ribbon cutting ceremony tomorrow, September 1<sup>st</sup> at 7pm under the lights!

I am looking forward to the start of the school year. The halls have been empty and quiet and I am excited to have the students back and bring the school to life for the 2017-2018 school year. I hope you all enjoy what remains of the summer and find time to rest and relax. See you soon.

Sincerely,



- 1 Office Closed
- 4 Labor day – NO SCHOOL
- 5 Superintendents Conference Day
- 6 First Day of School
- 12 Band Assembly 2:15 pm – all grades
- 15 Diocesan High School Liturgy
- 19 Band Forms Due
- 27 Back to School Night 6:30-8:30 pm

*ND-BG Families*

*Welcome back for the 2017-2018*

*School year!!*

**HAVE YOU SET UP  
YOUR TUITION  
ACCOUNT?  
PLEASE CONTACT  
FACTS AT  
1-866-412-4637 OR  
MRS. AUDINO @  
393-3131 EXT 103**

## FROM THE HEALTH OFFICE

Welcome back from the Health Office.... I hope you had a happy, healthy summer!

**Just a reminder that all new students, and students in grades 7 and 10**, are required to have a current physical on file. Also, those students trying out for sports, or needing working papers, all need to have one as well. Please remember to send in a copy to the Health Office as soon as it is completed. Students who require medications while at school are reminded to send in the required paperwork (available on the website). Those forms need to be renewed each year, including those for Epi-pens. Thanks so much!

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## STUDENT TRANSPORTATION

Please note that some districts will not transport students when they are closed and we are still open. It is up to parents/guardians to transport your student when this occurs. We will do our best via e-mail to contact families during these instances as well as updating our website, **however, it is the parent/guardian responsibility to know when their district will not be providing transportation for their student.**

If your student cannot make it into school because of lack of transportation, a written note from the parent/guardian will be needed on the next school day as per New York State Law.

Please remember that we follow the policy of each district concerning transportation.

## Late Bus

The following districts provide a late bus:

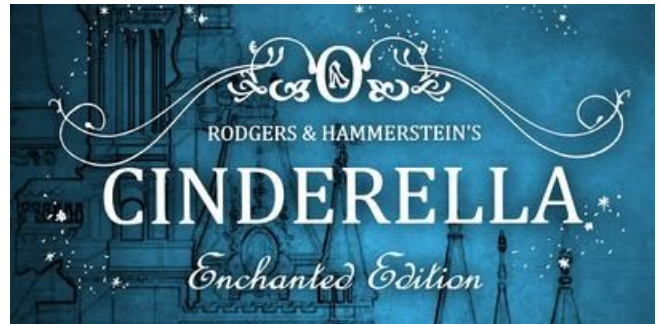


- South Colonie (Late Sept TBD)
- Guilderland (Late Sept TBD)
- Schenectady Starting Sept 18th

## Tardy or Absent

**Every time your child is going to be tardy or absent from school you must call or email the main office that morning.**

**A note with an explanation is also needed to be kept on file. Otherwise it will be considered an illegal absence or tardy. Thank you!!**



NDBG is proud to announce that rehearsals are beginning for this year's musical Cinderella Enchanted. The production is open to all students in grades 6-12 and will be staged November 2-4. For more information, check out the school website or contact Mrs Neidl or Mr Biggs

## Communication

**Please remember to give the main office your most up to date contact information. Our main form of communication is through email.**

