



# NOTRE DAME ATHLETICS

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## THIS WEEK AT NOTRE DAME (HOME GAMES)

Monday February 22

Girls JV/VAR Basketball vs. Clarkston 5:30/7:00

Tuesday February 23

Boys F/JV/VAR Basketball vs. Rochester 4:00/5:30/7:00

Wednesday February 24

VAR Bowling vs. Trillium 3:30

Thursday February 25

Girls JV/VAR Basketball vs. Lakeland 5:30/7:00



The Notre Dame Varsity Competitive Cheer team took first at the Michigan Center Invite over the weekend

### CHEER TAKES FIRST AT OPENING COMPETITION

The Notre Dame Varsity Competitive Cheer team took to the mat at the Michigan Center Cardinal Invitational on February 13th. This was the first competition of the season and a welcomed return after many months of uncertainty. While not much is "normal" these days, there were familiar faces and a similar vibe surrounding the team. Notre Dame, Michigan Center and Onsted were the only teams to compete at this event. In the end, the Irish showed their championship pedigree with a first-place finish and a final score of 716.78. Michigan Center came in second with 697.38 and Onsted finished last with a score of 674.26.

### WRESTLERS START SEASON AT L'ANSE CREUSE

The Notre Dame Varsity Wrestling team went 1-2 at their first quad meet of the season held at L'Anse Creuse High School. Jeranimo Ballesty went undefeated, going 3-0 and Nick Meli also went undefeated with a 3-0 record. Joey Benenati went 2-1, Evan McGhee went 2-1, Tai Moore went 1-1, and Aaron McGhee went 1-2 on the day for the Irish.

### HOCKEY DROPS ROAD GAME AT FGR

The Notre Dame Hockey team dropped a road game to Father Gabriel Richard. Joey Maniaci and Evan Gaeschke had first period goals for the Irish and Justin Joliat added a second period goal for Notre Dame. Dominic Temple finished with 27 saves in goal for the Irish.

### JV BOYS TAKE OPENER OVER AVONDALE

The Notre Dame JV Basketball team started the season on a positive note with a 53-28 win over Avondale. Matthew Sadecki led the Irish balance scoring attack with 20 points as nine out of ten players contributed between two and six points. Other standout players include; Evan Hoke having great floor game, Robby Strimpel and Nolan Tompkins controlling the boards and Eddie Abboud as a ball hawk on defense.

### JV BOYS CRUISE PAST LHNW

The Notre Dame Boys JV Basketball team made it two wins in row to begin the season with a 57-19 win over Lutheran Northwest. Matthew Sadecki again led the Irish balance scoring attack with 15 points. Other major point contributor were Evan Hoke (12), Nolan Thompkins (10) and Rajah Alexander-Nevels.

### HOCKEY FALLS TO MILFORD

The Notre Dame Hockey team dropped a road decision to Milford. Brady Bassett had two goals for the Irish while Andrew Fraser and Sean VanHekken also scored for Notre Dame. Dawson Richards had 42 saves in net for Notre Dame in the loss.

### GIRLS 5/6 BASKETBALL OPENS AT ST. JOSEPH

The Notre Dame Girls 5/6 Grade Basketball team dropped their opening to a tough St. Joseph team. Cristiana Giglio carried the Irish with seven points, while Tessa Bordogna recorded many blocks. Anna Lis gave a great defensive effort.

### LOYOLA BESTS JV BOYS BASKETBALL TEAM

The Notre Dame JV Basketball team's modest two game winning streak can to an abrupt end after a 51-33 loss to Loyola. After a strong first half resulting in a 22-22 half time score, Loyola pulled away in the second half. Matthew Sadecki led the Irish in scoring for the third game in a row with 11 points. Nolan Thompkins added six and Darryn Moore had five points for Notre Dame.

### BOYS 8TH GRADE BASKETBALL TAKES ON ST. JOSEPH

The Notre Dame Boys 8th Grade Basketball team fell to St. Joseph in it's season opening game. Felipe Sanchez-Montalvo led the Irish in scoring with five points and Sam Phillips had four rebounds for Notre Dame.



Jack Leuchtmann attempts a free throw for the Notre Dame 7th Grade Basketball team against St. Joseph. The Irish fell 31-29 to the Mavericks.