



NOTRE DAME ATHLETICS

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**THIS WEEK AT
NOTRE DAME
(HOME GAMES)**

Friday December 2

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

Monday December 5

Boys/Girls VAR Bowling
vs. Edison PSA 3:30

Tuesday December 6

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

SWIMMERS TIE BEST FINISH MARK AT MHSAA FINALS; HOCKEY RALLIES FOR WIN IN HOME OPENER

SWIMMERS TIE FOR BEST FINISH AT MHSAA FINALS

The Notre Dame Girls Varsity Swim team placed eighth at the MHSAA Division Three State Finals meet held at the Holland Aquatics Center, finishing with 90 team points. The finish ties the mark for the best in Notre Dame Girls swim history at the meet. Emma Ciesla earned All-State honors in both the 200 IM and the 100 Butterfly. Ciesla placed fifth in the 200 IM in 2:10.73 and finished second in the 100 Butterfly in 58.29, narrowly missing out on the state title. Alex Williams earned two podium finishes, taking 16th in the 200 Freestyle in 32.55 and 15th in the 500 Freestyle in 5:39.86. The 400 Freestyle Relay team of Williams, Rita Hajjar, Olivia Powell, and Ciesla, earned All-State honors with a sixth place finish in 3:43.85. The 200 Freestyle Relay of Hajjar, Tori Devine, Powell and Williams took ninth in 1:42.75 while the 200 Medley Relay of Powell, Ciesla, Devine and Hajjar was 11th in 1:56.99. During the prelims, Powell also swam a personal best in the 100 freestyle with a time of 56.36 and diver Allison Voto scored 117 points in her five-dive round. Congratulations to qualifiers Mariana Spada, Mia Skandalaris, Devine, Hajjar, Powell, Ciesla, Williams, and Voto.



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CRANES HOLD OFF IRISH IN SEASON OPENER

The Notre Dame Girls Varsity Basketball team dropped a 37-31 decision to Cranbrook in the season opener for both teams. The Cranes jumped out to an early 12 point advantage, but the Irish battled back to cut the deficit to 18-13 heading into halftime. Though Notre Dame would draw to within a one-possession game, Cranbrook would hold on in the second half for the victory. Sydney Burke led all scorers for the Irish with 11 points. Emily Szalach finished with nine points and Siena Apsey added seven.

NORTH OAKLAND RALLIES FOR WIN IN HOME OPENER

The North Oakland Eagles Varsity Hockey team, made up of students from Notre Dame, Oxford, Avondale and Brandon, earned a 6-5 win over Southgate-Dearborn Unified in its home opener to move to 2-1 on the season. After jumping out to a 4-0 lead, the Eagles found themselves down 5-4 in the third period before rallying for the final two goals of the contest. Zach Conroy had two goals while Evan Gaeschke added an assist., Owen Fulsher made 17 saves in net to earn the victory for the Eagles.

IRISH HEAD TO SMISL LEAGUE MEET

The Notre Dame Girls Varsity Swim team placed third at the SMISL League Meet held at Birmingham Groves. The Irish finished with 37 team points, placing behind Adrian (76) and Country Day (54). Emma Ciesla earned two first place finishes at the meet, taking the 200 IM in 1:54.54 and the 200 Breaststroke with a personal best time of 1:08.47. Olivia Powell had a second place finish with a with a personal best time (56.48) and an individual state cut time in the 100 Freestyle. Mia Skandalaris took third in the 500 Free and Lauren Chojnacki placed fourth in the 500 Free in 6:10.25 and was eighth in the 100 Yard Breast (1:24.02). Aria Kim finished with two seventh place finishes in the 200 Yard IM (2:35.74) and 100 Yard Fly (1:08.29) and Lexie Hunter had a personal best time in the 100 Yard Breast (1:22.15), good for sixth place. Notre Dame earned two second place finishes in relay events during the meet with the 200 IM Relay of Powell, Tori Devine, Ciesla and Rita Hajjar finishing in a time of 1:55.83 and the 400 Free Relay team of Powell, Kim, Hajjar and Ciesla earning a time of 3:52.16. The 200 Free Relay team of Divine, Mariana Spada, Skandalaris and Hajjar also earned a third place finish with a time of 1:48.19.



Emma Ciesla earned a second place finish in the 100 Butterfly and a fifth place finish in the 200 IM



The Boys 7th Grade Gold Basketball team took third at the St. Germaine Thanksgiving tournament