



# NOTRE DAME ATHLETICS

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## THIS WEEK AT NOTRE DAME (HOME GAMES)

Friday January 6

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

Saturday January 7

VAR Hockey vs. ETA Legion 8:00

Tuesday January 10

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

Wednesday January 11

Boys/Girls Bowling vs. DCDS 3:30

### NOTRE DAME BESTS STONEY CREEK AT ROUND BALL CLASSIC

The Notre Dame Boys Varsity Basketball team was one of 56 teams in the state of Michigan invited to compete in the 27th Annual Roundball Classic. Notre Dame faced off against Stoney Creek and didn't disappoint the many fans in attendance as the Irish won in convincing fashion 76-51. Stoney Creek won the first quarter 12-11, but did not hold the lead for much of the game after that. Junior captain Jacob Tuttle dominated the second quarter, scoring 13 of his game-high 23 points in the period to help the Irish regain the lead and never look back. The halftime score was 30-24 in favor of the Irish. Notre Dame played its best basketball in the second half and Stoney Creek was not able to keep up as the Irish outscored Stoney Creek 45-27 to help secure the victory. For his efforts, 23 points and five steals, Tuttle was named MVP and player of the game for Notre Dame. Joey DeCasas added 17 points, followed by Wade Robinson with 16.

### HOCKEY GETS WIN OVER BAY AREA THUNDER

The North Oakland Eagles Varsity Hockey team grabbed a 8-3 win over the Bay Area Thunder. Evan Gaeschke picked up a goal and an assist while Zach Conroy and Daniel Archey both had assists. Auggy Villajuan went the distance in net, making 30 saves in the victory.

### IRISH FALL TO SECOND RANKED UD JESUIT

The Notre Dame Boys Varsity Basketball team played host to the second-ranked team in the state when the Cubs from University of Detroit came to town to square off against the Irish. Most of the seats in the bleachers were filled as family, fans and spectators all showed up to watch the matchup. U of D proved to be too much for Notre Dame to handle as the Cubs cruised to a 86-59 victory. The game started off fast with lots of exciting plays made by both teams. U of D won the first quarter 26-18. The Cubs came out in the second quarter with the same intensity they started the game with. They built a double-digit lead midway through the second period and only added to that lead for the duration of the game. U of D led 45-34 at half time and 67-42 after the third quarter. The closest quarter of the game was the fourth, as the Cubs were plus two in that quarter, 19-17, en route to their 86-59 victory. The Irish were led in scoring by Wade Robinson's 19 points followed by Jacob Tuttle with 16. Sophomore guard Joey DeCasas finished with 11 for the Irish.

### HOCKEY DROPS CLOSE GAME AT STONEY CREEK

The North Oakland Eagles Varsity Hockey team dropped a 5-3 decision to Stoney Creek. The teams were tied 2-2 heading into the final period before the Cougars took the lead and added an empty net goal to seal the win. Tyler Leung had a goal while Owen Fulsher made 30 saves in net.

### IRISH BOUNCE BACK WITH WIN OVER FGR

The Notre Dame Boys Varsity Basketball team bounced back from a loss at Loyola with a convincing home win over another former Catholic League opponent in Father Gabriel Richard, 66-47. The game was never really in question, as the Irish led from the start of the game all the way through the finish. The Irish won the first quarter 12-8 and never looked back. Notre Dame built on their lead after every quarter and at one point held a 25 point lead. At the half the score was 31-17 in favor of Notre Dame largely due to the sharp shooting of junior guard Kolton Reece, who connected on four three pointers in the second quarter. Pointguard Wade Robinson led the Irish in scoring with 25 points followed by Reece and Joey DeCasas who each scored 12. Jacob Tuttle added 11 points for the Irish in the win.



Jacob Tuttle finished with 23 points and five rebounds in Notre Dame's 76-51 win over Stoney Creek at the Roundball Classic



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## **BOYS JV BASKETBALL TAKES TWO VICTORIES GIRLS BASKETBALL DROPS GAME AT ARMADA**

Saturday January 7

**Boys 6th Basketball  
vs. OL Refuge 8:30**

**Girls 6th Basketball  
vs. OL Refuge 8:30**

**Boys 5th/6th Basketball  
vs. OL Refuge 9:30**

**Girls 5th/6th Basketball  
vs. St. Fabian 9:30**

**Boys Green Basketball  
vs. OL Refuge 10:30**

**Girls 7th/8th Basketball  
vs. OL Refuge 10:30**

**Boys Gold Basketball  
vs. OL Refuge 11:45**

**Boys White Basketball  
vs. OL Refuge 11:45**

### **BOYS JV BASKETBALL GETS A PAIR OF VICTORIES**

The Notre Dame Boys JV Basketball team welcomed Father Gabriel Richard and Richmond for a pair of home games before the Christmas break. Against Gabriel Richard, the Irish raced out to a commanding 36-21 halftime lead with Drake Roa leading the way early with 10 quick points. Notre Dame did not let up in the second half as they cruised to their second victory of the young season by a score 65-44. The Irish were led by a trio of freshman with Sam Stowe pouring in 19, Roa finishing with 12 and Josh Laura chipping in with nine. Next up were the Blue Devils from Richmond High School. Once again, the Irish started strong by grabbing a 24-16 halftime lead. The third quarter was a bit of a defensive battle but freshman Lucas Kattula scored a late bucket to allow the Irish to take the quarter 8-6 for a 32-22 lead. From there it was all Irish as they scored the first eight points of the fourth quarter on their way to a decisive 53-34 win. Leading the Irish was Stowe with 13 points and seven rebounds, Kattula with 12 points and nine rebounds, Roa with 10 points and four rebounds, Colin Whalen with six points and four rebounds and Nick Kobylecki also with six points and four rebounds. The wins improved Notre Dame's record to 3-2 on the season heading into the new year.

### **GIRLS BASKETBALL DROPS CONTEST AT ARMADA**

The Notre Dame Girls Varsity Basketball team dropped a 49-23 decision at Armada. The Tigers got off to a fast start, leading by 15 points after the opening quarter, and the Irish were unable to overcome the early deficit. Sydney Burke led Notre Dame with nine points. Jazelle Yaldo chipped with six while Emily Szalach and Kaylyn Sowers each had three.

### **GIRLS 6TH GRADE GETS WIN OVER OL LAKES**

The Notre Dame Girls 6th Grade Basketball team defeated Our Lady of the Lakes 34-8 heading into winter break. Saniya Tucker led all scorers with 12 points, while Josie Simon contributed 10. Jozlyn Clemens followed with six points, Anaya Patel had four points and Campbell Bordogna added two points in the victory.

### **GIRLS BASKETBALL FALLS AT LUTHERAN NORTH**

The Notre Dame Girls Varsity Basketball team fell 50-23 to Lutheran High North. Both Siena Apsey and Mia Daher had eight points to lead the Irish, Sydney Burke added three while Jazelle Yaldo and Emily Szalach each had a bucket.

### **HOCKEY DROPS DEFENSIVE BATTLE TO ANCHOR BAY**

The North Oakland Eagles Varsity Hockey team dropped a 1-0 game to Anchor Bay. The Tars scored the lone goal of the game in the second period and were able to make the lead stand up. Owen Fulsher was strong in goal, stopping 26 of 27 shots.

### **LATE COMEBACK LIFTS RICHMOND OVER IRISH**

The Notre Dame Boys Varsity Basketball team suffered their first home loss of the season to Richmond, 58-53. The game was a rematch of last year's regional semifinal game as Richmond avenged last year's playoff loss with a hard fought victory over the Irish. The game was close from start to finish. Richmond finished the first quarter with a one point lead. Notre Dame came out motivated in the second quarter and took control of the game, scoring 19 points in the period to take a 30-24 lead into halftime. The Irish did not relinquish the lead until late in the fourth quarter. A few missed shots, coupled with some untimely turnovers proved to be too much for the Irish to overcome. Richmond capitalized on the mishaps and won the fourth quarter 22-14 to seal the victory. Junior captain Wade Robinson scored 21 points. Kolton Reese added 12 for the Irish and Joey DeCasas had 10. Jacob Tuttle played a solid game and finished with nine points for the Irish.