

## Virtue of the Week

This week our virtue theme is COMPASSION— The strength to be aware of the needs of others and the desire to help them. COMPASSION is vital for everything meaningful in life. We need to have COMPASSION on this team, in school, in our relationships, in our future families if we expect to live life to the fullest.

### PRAYER

Thank you, Lord, for this day, this opportunity, this time together. Strengthen our wills and forge our resolve to practice the virtue of COMPASSION in our pursuit of excellence in every area of our life.

## Important Upcoming Dates

- Oct. 9 : Early Dismissal 2:00pm; Teacher In-Service; Aftercare Provided
- Oct. 14: No School; Columbus Day
- Oct. 15: No School; Region I Faculty In-Service
- Oct. 17: Evening Adoration 7th Grade; 5:30-7:00pm
- Oct. 18: 1st Quarter Ends
- Oct. 19: Confirmation Retreat 12:30-5:00pm
- Oct. 22: Family Literacy Night 6-7 pm
- Oct. 23: Picture Re-take Day
- Oct. 24: Early Dismissal 11:30am; Parent-Faculty Conferences; No Aftercare
- Oct. 25: No School; Parent-Faculty Conferences

Mrs. Aurit's 4th Grade class made Solar Ovens for Science Class!



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<https://school.stpatswashington.com>

Sr. Magdalena showing us her awesome yo-yo skills!



"Like rebellious children who want to go their own way, we've all turned away from God many times during our lives. Even as we do, he keeps right on loving us and keeping his promises nonetheless."

SCOTT HAHN  
Taken from A Father Who Keeps His Promises



Dynamic Catholic



### Attention: Altar Servers

It has come to my attention that the upcoming Serving Schedule may have the even pages missing on your copy. Please double check page numbers.

The new schedule is also on our parish website. If you need a new paper copy, please call the Parish Office, 444-3524.

Thank you and sorry for the inconvenience.

### Girls Basketball

#### Father/Daughter Jersey Ceremony

This is just another amazing part of the Irish athletics programs and St. Patrick School.



### Upcoming Athletic Events

- Sept. 28: Baseball Sectionals @ Williamsfield 11:00am
- Sept. 30: Girls Basketball @ Cornerstone 6:00pm
- Oct. 2: Girls Basketball 5/6th @ Blessed Sacrament 5:30pm
- Oct. 3: Cross Country @ Limestone-Alpha Park 4:30pm
- Oct. 4: Girls Basketball vs. St. Jude @ Home 5:00pm

### The Irish are IESA baseball champions!



The Cross Country Team crushed it at the Tazwood Conference Meet! 4 out of 6 varsity girls had Personal Records. 7 for 7 varsity boys had Personal Records. The open boys ran awesome as well! Way to go Irish!



**SAVE THE DATE!!!!**  
**The Ca\$h Ba\$h is back!**  
**November 9th at 6:00pm at the Knights of Columbus.**  
**\$100 per ticket allows two guests and includes food and drink.**  
**Tickets available from St. Pat's coaches or the school office.**  
**Don't miss out on the best night of the year!!!**

**“Reverence, Respect, Responsibility...  
 Excellence in Academics and Faith Formation”**

# Partners in FAITH™



Helping our children grow in their Catholic faith.

September 2019

St. Patrick School

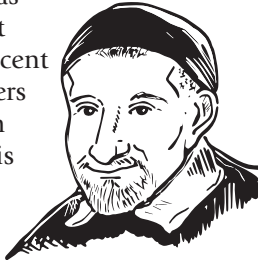
Doreen Shipman, Principal



## Thoughtful Moments

### St. Vincent de Paul

Though he was born to peasant farmers, St. Vincent rubbed shoulders with nobility in the course of his career. He was born in France, educated and ordained a priest. He served as chaplain to the Countess of Gondi, King Louis XIV, and Queen Anne of Austria. Seeing the spiritual suffering of the poor, he cared for them and worked to reform the priesthood. He founded the Sisters of Charity and a hospital in Marseilles.



### Cardinal Virtues

The Church suggests acquiring four good habits necessary for us to get to Heaven. They are **prudence** (the ability to choose and do good), **justice** (the will to give what is due God and neighbor), **fortitude** (ensures firmness in difficulties), and **temperance** (moderates the pursuit of pleasure).

"Mother Teresa of Calcutta was once asked what needed to change in the Church. Her answer was: You and I!"  
Pope Francis



## Have a great school year!

The first weeks of school present opportune moments to recommit to your child's academic and spiritual growth over the next ten months. Try these tips:

**Pray through the day** – A key to spiritual strength is prayer. Make prayer central to your family life. Pray together before school and in gratitude when the day is over. Pray before and after meals. Ask your children their intentions so you can pray on their behalf. Prayer joins us together when we are apart.

**Recommit to weekly Mass.** There is no more important activity any family can share. When we center ourselves around the Eucharist, we are given the

spiritual food we need to be strong in our faith.

**Family meal.** Studies attest to the importance of family meals to school success and spiritual formation. Make every effort to gather for family dinners each night. Start with prayer and focus on conversation. Don't let anything interfere with this family time.

**Homework help.** Youngsters need a quiet environment in which to do homework, the necessary supplies, support and supervision. Work with teachers to

learn what your students need to be successful. Treat religious education homework with the importance of any core subject. Its benefits are lifelong.

**Share the love.** Choose many different ways to tell children how much you love them. Be generous



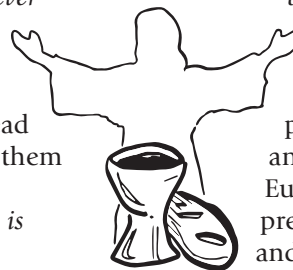
## Why Do Catholics Do That?

### Why do Catholics believe Jesus is truly present in the Eucharist?

When Jesus said, "*whoever eats my flesh and drinks my blood has eternal life*" (John 6:54), he spoke literally. Later, taking bread and wine, Jesus changed them into his body and blood, saying, "*Take and eat; this is my body*" and "*this is my*

*blood*" (Matthew 26:26-28).

The Catholic Church calls this action transubstantiation. When the priest consecrates the bread and wine into the Holy Eucharist, Jesus is literally present—Body and Blood, Soul and Divinity—just as he said.

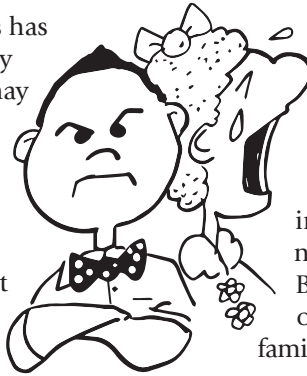




## Do fussy children belong in church?

If you have ever raced into the pew after Mass has started, juggled a crying child during the homily or settled spats during the Consecration, you may feel that fellow parishioners are judging you harshly. It may seem like church is only suited to perfectly behaved and pious families. Yet messy, wonderful families of God are critical to the Catholic Church.

**Children are our future.** Parents are the most influential teachers of faith and catechesis for their children. Children first learn about



God's love from their parents. That makes you valued and important to building up the Catholic Church. Those occasionally scruffy, sometimes noisy children you bring into the church are our future.

**The Church is for you.** Jesus truly comes to us in the Eucharist at every Mass. There is no better nourishment for our souls than his Body and Blood. Come to Mass weekly and give children opportunities for his grace. Seek support in your family faith journey. It's what the Church is meant to do.

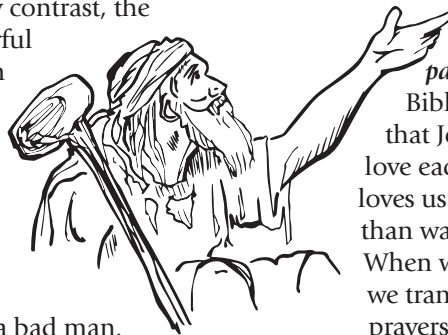
### Scripture LESSON

#### Luke 16:19-31, Faith formed by love

In this passage, Jesus told the story of Lazarus, a beggar who lay suffering, miserable and ignored outside the home of a rich man. By contrast, the rich man had a wonderful and comfortable life on earth, clueless to what was happening outside his very door. Yet in the afterlife, it's the rich man who suffers torment and begs for relief.

The rich man wasn't a bad man. The parable didn't say he got his wealth through dishonest means or had done anything evil. He was blind to the suffering of others. He knew what God

expected of him, didn't do it, and didn't care. Jesus portrays his suffering in the afterlife as just



punishment. *What can a parent do?* The Bible makes it plain that Jesus wants us to love each other as he loves us. Love is more than warm feelings.

When we live our faith, we transform our prayers into acts of love as Jesus asked. It isn't always easy or pleasant doing the right thing, but the reward for doing what Jesus asked will be eternal joy.

### Parent TALK

A girl named Ryan was new to Tessa's class this year. She must have missed her old school and friends



because Ryan cried the first few days of school. Tessa got upset when the other girls

made fun of her during recess. She asked how she could help.

I explained how Ryan must feel coming to a new city, a new home, and a new school. I remembered that I had moved when I was Tessa's age and told her how it felt.

Then I asked Tessa for ideas for how she could help Ryan feel welcome. She resolved to sit next to her at lunch and play with her at recess. She also had a notebook and matching pen she decided to give to Ryan as a welcome gift.

It must have worked because Tessa said Ryan didn't cry at recess. Instead, she smiled and my girl learned compassion.

### Feasts & Celebrations

**September 15 – Our Lady of Sorrows.** In Luke 2:35, Simeon predicted Mary's sorrows as "a sword piercing" her soul. This partly referred to a time when Mary would stand at the foot of the Cross. Despite her sorrow, Mary stood dignified and fearless while others ran away. Mary shows us how to respond to suffering - with love and faith.

**September 17 – St. Robert Bellarmine (1621).** A Jesuit, Robert was a scholar devoted to studying and writing about Church history, Scripture, and the fathers of the

Catholic Church. He worked to accurately record Church doctrine to explain and protect it from attack by Protestants. Although a cardinal and counselor to Pope Clement VIII, he lived a simple life.

**September 29 – Saints Michael, Gabriel, and Raphael.** Members of the third hierarchy of angels around the throne of God, archangels are entrusted with important missions to mankind such as St. Gabriel's visit to the Blessed Mother to tell her she had been chosen as the Mother of God.



### Our Mission

To help parents raise faithful Catholic children  
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# St. Patrick School Lunch Menu

October 2019

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
	1 Bring sack lunch & drink	2 Chicken Fajitas Peppers/Onions Peaches Cheese	3 Ham/Cheese/Bun Fresh Veggies Peaches	4 Cheese Pizza Mixed Veggies Assorted Fruit
7 Chicken Pattie/Bun Corn Pears	8 Hamburger/Cheese/Bun Oven Fries 1/2 Orange	9 Chicken Pot Pie Green Beans Applesauce	10 Pepperoni Pizza Mixed Vegetables Mixed Fruit	11 Fish/Bun Corn Assorted Fruit Brownie
14	15 Corn Dog Vegetarian Baked Beans Applesauce	16 Chicken Nuggets Mashed Potatoes/Gravy Applesauce Dinner Roll	17 Chicken & Noodles Green Beans Peaches Biscuit	18 Cheese Pizza Mixed Veggies Mixed Fruit
21 Tenderloin/Bun Corn Pears	22 BBQ/Bun Oven Fries 1/2 Orange	23 Taco Salad Lettuce/Cheese Pears	24 Pepperoni Pizza Green Beans Peaches	25
28 Hot Dog/Chili/Bun Vegetarian Baked Beans Mixed Fruit	29 Flapjack Tater Tots Granola Bar Fruit Juice	30 Chili Cheese Stick Applesauce Crackers	31	Nov. 1 Macaroni & Cheese Green Beans Peaches

All meals served with milk

# 2nd Grade Gift Bearers & Greeters Wanted!

If you will be able to attend one of our Masses during the weekend of October 5<sup>th</sup> & 6<sup>th</sup> and want to help out, **please** sign up here <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/20F0845ACAE2EA2FD0-2ndgrade1>

You may also email [TalIJ700@gmail.com](mailto:TalIJ700@gmail.com) with your preferred sign-up if you don't want to use the SignUp Genius.

**Greeters** will be opening doors, greeting parishioners, and/or handing out bulletins as they enter church.

Please arrive 20 minutes before the start of Mass. Check in with an usher located in the back of church. If enough greeters have signed up, some will go to the side entrances while others remain at the main entrance. At least two people should open doors and greet parishioners while another two can ask to hand out bulletins at the main entrance. (If it is cold, please open the doors ONLY as needed!) At least one person is needed for each role at the side entrances. You may take your seat in the church when the cantor welcomes the congregation.

**Gift Bearers** have the honor of representing the entire parish as we return to God a small part of the many blessings that He has given to us. The unleavened Bread and Wine that you carry will be consecrated to become the Body and Blood of our Lord Jesus Christ.

Please check in with the ushers at least 10 minutes before Mass starts. After the Prayers of the Faithful (petitions), head to the back of the church by the gift table. An usher will help you with the gifts. You will proceed down the main aisle with the gifts after the collection (when the priest/deacon and altar servers are in place at the front of the altar).

When you arrive at the altar, present the gifts one at a time to the Priest/Deacon. **Stay with the group until everyone has given their gift. Then, as a group, bow reverently when the priest or deacon bows, and return to your seats.**

Date	Time	Available Slots (# of volunteers needed)
10/5/2019 (Sat.)	4:30pm	Greeters (6) Gift Bearers (4)
10/6/2019 (Sun.)	8:30am	Greeters (6) Gift Bearers (4)
10/6/2019 (Sun.)	11:00am	Greeters (6) Gift Bearers (4)

**THANK YOU for volunteering!**



# TRICK-OR-READING

## FAMILY LITERACY NIGHT



Dear Parents and Guardians,

The St. Patrick School Houses are pleased to announce that we will once again be holding a Family Literacy Night. This not so spooky event will take place on Tuesday, October 22<sup>nd</sup> from 6-7 PM at St. Patrick's School. Students in grades 5 through 8 will be hosting Halloween reading activities for children in preschool through grade four. Registration is required for all children parish and school students preschool aged through grade four that would like to attend, and children need to be accompanied by a parent or guardian. We will have an assortment of Halloween and fall themed activities that promote the love of reading.

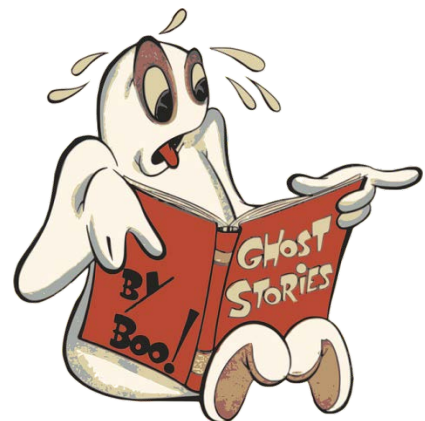
Every family that signs up will enjoy three fun filled literacy stations. Each station will last for 20 minutes when your group will move together to the next station. Adults are not included in the number, so you can sign each child up individually, or you can sign up the whole family by selecting the number of spots needed. A schedule of sessions will be included in the Irish Messenger on Friday, October 18<sup>th</sup> and also handed out the night of the event, so please register before the 17<sup>th</sup>.

Please mark your calendars and register online for this event before October 17<sup>th</sup> as seats are limited for the event!

Students can wear their "not-so-scary" Halloween costumes to the event! Costumes only, no accessories.

We are looking forward to trick or reading with you!

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/20f0f45aaa829a0fd0-trickorreading>



5<sup>th</sup> through 8<sup>th</sup> Grade House Members and Parents:

Kristen Bertchold, from Phoenix Community Development Services, will be coming to school the first week in October to speak with student about the services they provide and the people they help. In preparation for her arrival, we will be collecting items to help PCDS with their mission to serve the homeless in our area.

The following is a message from PCDS

“We have a HUGE need for items for our resident “store” at New Hope Apartments, our largest housing location. All of the 84 residents at that facility have some type of disabling condition (a mental illness, physical disability and/or intellectual disability) and were homeless before moving in. Nearly 80% of the residents have three or more disabling conditions.

Residents at New Hope can earn “New Hope Bucks” for participating in counseling groups and activities, helping other residents, volunteering, completing chores around the building, etc. They can then “spend” those “Bucks” at the New Hope store for things they need, but don’t have money to purchase at a regular store. The store is a great educational tool that helps us keep the facility clean and safe, helps residents become more self-sufficient, and teaches important daily living and employment skills.”

**Items currently needed for the store include:**

- Shampoo/Conditioner/Body Wash (3-in-1s work great)
- Deodorant
- Toothpaste
- Razors
- Shave Cream
- Baby Wipes
- Hand Sanitizer
- Lip Balm
- Hand warmers
- Toilet Paper
- Winter gloves and hats
- Warm Socks

Please consider bringing these items to your House teacher before October 8th, so that we have a good collection to give this great charity.

In addition to helping them meet their needs for the New Hope Apartments, Houses are also providing sack lunches once a month to help feed the homeless. Students will be asked to donate items to complete the lunches each month.



<https://phoenixcds.org/>



# MEET THE AUTHORS

## BRAVE LOVE AND A *Miracle*

**Knights of Columbus Hall**  
120 Walnut St.  
Washington, IL

**Sunday, October 6, 2019**  
12:30 - 3 p.m.

Doors open promptly at 12:30!



Mary  
Lenaburg



Kathryn  
Whitaker



Bonnie  
Engstrom



Mark Your Calendars

# St. Patrick Parish Fall Golf Outing Go for the Green!

Enjoy a day of golf and fellowship while raising funds for needed maintenance in the church building.

When: Friday, October 18, 2019, Noon Shotgun Start

Where: Quail Meadows Golf Course

\$100 per golfer includes green fees, cart, and lunch  
\$350.00 for foursomes signed up for and paid by October 1, 2019.

\$100 Sponsorships Available

Contests, giveaways, and prizes!



# St. Patrick Parish Fall Golf Outing

## Go for the Green!

### Sign Up Sheet

1. **Individual:** I am an individual player. Please place me in a foursome.

Player Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Player e-Mail: \_\_\_\_\_

Fee: \$100.00 \_\_\_\_\_ Paid

2. **Foursome:** I have the following foursome.

Player 1 Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Player 1 e-Mail: \_\_\_\_\_

Player 2 Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Player 3 Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Player 4 Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Fee: \$400.00. \$350.00 if paid by October 1, 2019 \_\_\_\_\_ Paid \_\_\_\_\_ Date

Please make checks payable to St. Patrick Parish and return to the Parish Office.

e-Mail will be used for event related communication only.

# St. Patrick Parish Fall Golf Outing

## Go for the Green!

### Sponsorship Form

1. **Company/Organization:** I am a company or organization.

Company Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Contact e-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

Fee: \$100.00    \_\_\_\_\_ Paid

2. **Individual or Family Dedication:** I am an individual or family sponsor.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Contact e-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

Dedication: \_\_\_\_\_

Fee: \$100.00    \_\_\_\_\_ Paid

Please make checks payable to St. Patrick Parish and return to the Parish Office.

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**4<sup>th</sup>-8<sup>th</sup> Grade Youth Group**

**Sunday September 29th**

**6-7pm**

**St. Patrick's Gym**

**Bring a Friend**

**FUN**

*GAMES!!!*

*Friends*

**Faith**

**DINNER & ICE CREAM!?**

# Washington Community Bank Presents Tournament of Champions Youth Basketball Clinics October 6 & 20

Washington Community  
High School – Torry Gym



**Washington  
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*Brand new to the TOC for 2019!!!*

All clinic participants will receive one hour of instructional stations led by Washington Junior High and High School coaches and staff with the assistance of players from their teams. All participants will receive a clinic shirt that will get them free access to every session of the Kevin Brown Memorial Tournament of Champions. Clinic is open to boys and girls 1<sup>st</sup>-8<sup>th</sup> grades.

## Clinic Format

- Ball handling
- Dribbling
- Rebounding/Post moves
- Layups
- Shooting/Form shooting
- Defense



Dates	Times	Registration Code	Cost(per child)	Grades
Oct. 6 & 20	5:00PM-7:00PM	4-5250-19-A	\$20	1 <sup>st</sup> -8 <sup>th</sup> boys & girls
Clinic Location: Torry Gym at WCHS				

Sign up in person at the Washington Park District at 105 S. Spruce St. or online at [www.washingtonparkdistrict.com](http://www.washingtonparkdistrict.com)

**Both these October clinics and entry into the Kevin Brown Memorial  
Tournament of Champions for only \$20!!**

# Washington Community Bank Tournament of Champions Clinic

Please return this form with your payment.

Child name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_

State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Shirt Size: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent name: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_



Please read this form carefully and be aware that in signing up and participating in the Tournament of Champions, Washington Community High School, and Washington Park District programs, you will be waiving and releasing all claims for injuries you might sustain arising out of the activities of this program.

“As a participant in the program, I recognize and acknowledge that there are certain risks of physical injury and I agree to assume the full risk of any injuries, including death, damages, or loss which I may sustain as a result of participating in any and all activities connected with or associated with such program.” “I agree to waive and relinquish all claims I may have as a result of participating in the program against the Tournament of Champions, Washington Community High School, Washington Park District and its officers, agents, servants and employees.” “I do hereby fully release and discharge the Tournament of Champions, Washington Community High School, Washington Park District and its officers, agents, servants and employees from any and all claims from injuries, including death, damage, or loss which I may have or which may accrue to me on account of my participation.”

“I further agree to indemnify and hold harmless and defend the Tournament of Champions, Washington Community High School, Washington Park District and its officers, agents, servants and employees from any and all claims resulting from injuries, including death, damages and losses sustained by me and arising out of, connected with, or in any way associated with the activities of the program.”

Photos and video are periodically taken of participants, during this Tournament of Champions, Washington Community High School, and Washington Park District special event. Please be aware these photos and video footage are for the Tournament of Champions, Washington Community High School, and Washington Park District use only and may be used in our marketing & advertising efforts including, but not limited to, any publications, articles and the website. All photos are the property of the Tournament of Champions, Washington Community High School, and Washington Park District.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Parent Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date





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SHOWDOWN  
**PND VS.  
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FRIDAY, OCTOBER 4 - 7:30 PM  
AT PEORIA NOTRE DAME

**FEATURING:**

- IRISH KIDS CLUB ACTIVITIES & CONTESTS
- PND DRUMLINE
- PND DANCE TEAM
- BAGPIPERS

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# OPEN HOUSE & INFORMATION NIGHT

October 16, 2019

Informational Meeting • 6:30 PM • PND Auditorium  
Why PND? • Academic Offerings • Financial Commitment •  
Enrollment Overview

Open House • 7:00 PM • PND Commons  
Academics • Athletics • Campus Ministry •  
Christian Service Program • Counseling • Development •  
Finance • Parent Board • School Tours • Student Life •  
Support Services • Technology • Transportation



WE'RE #PROUDTOBEPND! LEARN WHY.

# Peoria Notre Dame Dance Team Movie Night 2019



Join us for our first-ever movie night!  
We will be watching **Toy Story 4** on a large  
screen in the gym!



Who: Kids Preschool through 6th grade  
When: Friday, November 1, 2019  
Where: PND Gym (Check-in will be at the west gym doors)  
Time: 6:00pm - 9:00pm  
Cost: \$25 per child (Please fill out a separate form for each child.)

You are welcome to bring pillows and blankets as well!

Dinner will be provided! We will be having pizza, chips, and dessert.  
*\*If your child has any major allergies, please let us know below.*

Please contact **Coach Tally Sevier** at [pnddanceteam@gmail.com](mailto:pnddanceteam@gmail.com) with questions.

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Mail or drop off your form and payment to:  
**Peoria Notre Dame - C.O. PND Dance Team – 5105 N. Sheridan Rd. – Peoria, IL 61614**  
Checks payable to Peoria Notre Dame High School

Child's Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Age: \_\_\_\_\_

Grade in School: PreK K 1 2 3 4 5 6 School \_\_\_\_\_

Parent's name \_\_\_\_\_

Parent's Phone Number \_\_\_\_\_

Parent's Email \_\_\_\_\_

Allergies \_\_\_\_\_

Participants in the 2019 PND Dance Movie Night are not covered by medical or accident insurance. In consideration of the acceptance of registration, we hereby release Peoria Notre Dame High School, the 2019 Peoria Notre Dame Dance Movie Night, and all of its employees/volunteers from all claims on account of injuries that may be sustained while attending the 2019 PND Dance Movie Night. We hereby agree to indemnify Peoria Notre Dame High School, PND Dance Team, and all of its employees/volunteers for any claim that may be hereinafter presented by the participant of any injuries.

I give the PND Dance Team permission to post pictures and/or videos of my child on their social media websites (team website, Instagram, Facebook, etc.).

I DO NOT give the PND Dance Team permission to post pictures and/or videos of my child on their social media websites (team website, Instagram, Facebook, etc.).

Parent Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_