# How to apply

Notre Dame welcomes a limited number of well-qualified international applicants who have a strong academic record and sufficient English language proficiency to perform well in a challenging college preparatory environment. International students must demonstrate strong English skills (TOEFL English proficiency exam or equivalent required plus a Skype interview/examination) as all of the classes at Notre Dame Jr/Sr High School are taught in English at an accelerated rate. The goal is to see all international students be successful at our academically rigorous school.



# **International Admissions Requirement**

**Completed international student application form** 

#### Official transcript:

3 years of transcripts in both native language and English

#### Two recommendation letters:

one from English teacher and one from math teacher

#### **Minimum Scores:**

TOEFL 55
Secondary Level English Proficiency (SLEP) 35
English Language test for International
Students (ELTIS) 191

#### One essay

"Why I want to attend High school in the United States?" Skype Interview

#### **Application Deadline**

Applications for the 2019-2020 school year (beginning Fall 2019) will be accepted up to August 1, 2019.





**Notre Dame International Program** 



# INTERNATIONAL STUDENT PROGRAM





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# **SCHOOL FACTS**





Notre Dame is proud to have served as the home of international students for nearly a decade. We have welcomed students from Belarus, Burma, China, Germany, Ghana, Russia, Sweden and Vietnam. These students enhance the already strong cultural diversity that serves as a hallmark of the ND experience.

At Notre Dame Jr/Sr High School, international students develop deep friendships that last a lifetime. Notre Dame is fun, safe and academically challenging. Each academic year, the International Program at Notre Dame provides international students with the opportunity to become valued members of the Juggler family and immerse themselves in American culture. Students are challenged academically in order to prepare for acceptance into elite colleges and universities. Our entire student body benefits from the gift of cultural diversity and exchange within our own community

## **Key ways that international students benefit** from a Notre Dame education:

- English Second Language Classes (ESL)
- College Level Courses including AP and **Dual CollegeCredit Courses**
- 10th-period curriculum tutoring and review
- 1:1 Chromebook program
- Pre-College Navigation and Readiness Preparation

# **Private Day School – Utica, NY**

A Catholic Diocesan Jr/Sr high school located in Central New York, Notre Dame Jr/Sr High School provides students with the tools they need to be successful in their adult lives. Founded in 1960, the school's diverse community offers students the opportunity to learn from an extensive variety of perspectives - both in and out of the classroom - and become engaged and creative scholars.

#### **Facilities**

The school is located Utica, NY, a short train ride from NYC and Boston. It features a stunning, new multipurpose center for arts and athletics, library, chapel, gymnasium as well as Smart Classrooms which illustrate the Notre Dame commitment to cutting-edge education.

#### **Sports and Arts**

Notre Dame is known throughout New York as a perennial power in basketball. The Jugglers have won twenty-two sectional championships and two state championships.

There are a range of arts opportunities - both fine and performing – available at Notre Dame. The school's theater program is traditionally strong, and the school boasts a concert band, as well as a Praise and Worship chorus.

### **Awards and Accomplishments**

Notre Dame and its students have received a number academic, athletic, and artistic awards. The school's powerhouse basketball program has been successful over the years, often besting much larger New York schools in state competition. It is accredited by the New York State Department of Education as well as the Middle States Association of Colleges and Schools (MSACS).

# **Community Information**

Utica, New York is one of the top ten most populous cities in New York. It is located on the Mohawk River at the foothills of the Adirondack Mountains. It is a city of historic landmarks and modern diversity that offers a world of things to see and do. It is an area rich in culture and history. You can dine around the globe in scores of excellent ethnic and American restaurants. View famous works of art at the Munson-Williams-Proctor Arts Institute. See a Broadway show at the Stanley Center for the Arts. Take in a Comets hockey game or a Utica City Football Club (soccer) game in the world-renowned Adirondack Bank Center. There's both a zoo and a ski-lift within the city limits!

City Population: 63,000

Co-Educational **Student Population Number of Students** 350

**Accepting Students in Grades** 8-11 **Teacher/Student Ratio** 1:7

ESL Program Full-time dedicated ESL teacher Yes

**School Uniform** 

**Religious Affiliation** Students earning college credits

while at Notre Dame **Foreign Languages** 

**University Acceptance Rate** 

89 % French, Spanish

Roman Catholic

99%



#### **AP Courses**

AP Psychology, AP World History, AP US History, AP English Lit, AP Biology, and AP Calculus.



### Sports

Baseball, Basketball, Bowling, Cheerleading Cross Country Running, Football, Golf, Soccer, Softball, Tennis, Club Track, Club Volleyball



# Extracurricular **Activities & Clubs**

Art Club, Creative Writing, Drama Club. Eco-Schools Club. French Club. History of Gaming, International Club. Praise Band. Pro-Life Club, Mock Trial, Yearbook

## **Recent College Acceptances by Students**

Boston College, Bucknell University, Colgate University, Columbia University, Cornell University, Dartmouth College, Fordham University, Georgetown University, Harvard University, Hamilton College, Marist College, Princeton University, Rutgers University, Syracuse University, Temple University, University of California- Berkley, University of Chicago, University of Notre Dame, University of Pennsylvania, University of Rochester, University of Virginia, Villanova University, Yale University