Arrival and Departure

We expect you to arrive on the Monday of your scheduled week. Registration takes place between 12:00 noon and 4:30pm in Geddes Hall. You should plan to depart in the afternoon on the Friday of that same week. The program concludes around 12:30pm on Friday. (Lunch on Friday is not included.) Notre Dame Vision does not have access to housing or luggage storage for participants before or after the program week. At the end of the week, please plan to be picked up at your dorm at 12:30pm on Friday.

Please let us know at least one week in advance if you will be making a late arrival (i.e., after 4:30pm on Monday). Should you miss a flight or experience any other major delay in your travel schedule, please immediately contact the Notre Dame Vision office at (574) 631-7425.

Location and Travel

Notre Dame is located in northern Indiana, just outside the city of South Bend. It is only a few minutes south of the Michigan border and 100 miles east of Chicago on the Indiana Toll Road (80/90) at exit 77. Notre Dame is a self-contained community with its own security police force and fire department. We are on Eastern Standard Time, which is the same as New York, one hour ahead of Chicago and three hours ahead of Los Angeles.

You will find helpful information about travel to and from South Bend at www.sbnair.com and www.nd.edu/visitors/dir.shtml. You may also call (800) 366-3772 for Anthony Travel Service, the University’s official travel agency.

If you drive to campus: Exit the Toll Road at Exit 77, follow the map provided to park in the B2 Lots. Walk to Geddes to Register, then return to your car to drive to your assigned dorm.

If you fly or take the South Shore Rail to South Bend Regional Airport: The South Bend Airport is approximately a 15-minute cab ride (about $15) from the Notre Dame campus. (Note that the Amtrak train station is at a different location.) Ask the taxi driver to drop you off at “Library Circle.”

If you plan to fly into Chicago airports: Please note: The CoachUSA bus that runs from Chicago airports to campus recently announced that minors under 18 will not be allowed to travel on the shuttle without an adult. https://us.megabus.com/terms (see paragraph 2, part B). It is recommended to fly into South Bend or travel with an adult.

Registration and Check-in

Please register immediately upon your arrival at Notre Dame (though no earlier than noon on Monday). Registration for Notre Dame Vision is from 12:00n to 4:30pm on the Monday of each scheduled week. Please come to Geddes Hall, which is located just northwest of the Hesburgh Library and east of the Golden Dome. Please see the Campus Arrival Map in the Registration Packet.

Registration will be in the Coffeehouse on the first floor of Geddes Hall. In order to register, your balance must be paid in full and all required documents (listed above) must already be on file. You will receive several items at the registration desk, including your meal pass, directions to your residence hall, and other materials and information about the week.
Residence Halls

Women and men will stay in separate campus residence halls. The residence halls will not be air-conditioned.

The staff of each residence hall includes 25-35 Notre Dame Vision undergraduate Mentors. They are joined by hall managers who will be available 24 hours a day should you need assistance. If your parents or guardians need to reach you for an important matter while you are at Notre Dame, they should call the Notre Dame Vision office at (574) 631-7425, anytime from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. EDT and we will relay a message to you. In case of an emergency during non-business hours, they should call Campus Security at (574) 631-5555.

Rooms are typically furnished with a bed, dresser, desk and chair, and closet or storage area (one per person, as you will likely be rooming in singles and doubles, although triples and quads are occasionally assigned). Room requests are not guaranteed. Please consult the “packing list” for what you will need for your dorm room.

We are not able to accept any personal mail for Notre Dame Vision participants.

Feel free to bring musical instruments, sports equipment and other athletic gear for your use during recreational hours.
Meals

Meals will be provided up to thrice daily in the dining halls beginning with dinner on Monday and ending with breakfast on Friday. If students need additional meals or snacks, students may visit a variety of eateries on campus, many of which are located in the LaFortune Student Center. Lunch on Friday is not included in the program. Feel free to visit Notre Dame Food Services at http://food.nd.edu for more information regarding places to eat at Notre Dame and accommodations for food allergies.

Banking

Although residence halls do not have ATM’s in them, there are ATM’s in the LaFortune Student Center, Hammes Notre Dame Bookstore, and elsewhere on campus. We suggest that students bring an ATM/Debit card, traveler’s checks, or cash for spending money. Students do not need a great deal of pocket money, but will need some for snacks, souvenirs, or cab to/from the airport, if necessary.

Attire

South Bend summers are warm and humid, so bring plenty of shorts, short-sleeved tops, and other casual, lightweight clothes that are easy to wash. (No halter tops, crop tops, spaghetti straps, or short shorts/skirts, please!). In general, we ask that participants dress in accordance with a general sense of Christian decency. Temperatures are typically in the 70’s and 80’s during the day and occasionally in the 90’s. A raincoat and umbrella are also recommended, as well as a sweater or sweatshirt for occasional cool nights and some ultra-air-conditioned buildings. Athletic attire for the weekly scavenger hunt will also be needed.

Any persons whom the leaders of Notre Dame Vision deem inappropriately dressed for the program – e.g., clothing that is too revealing, offensive messages or slogans on clothing – will be asked to change immediately. In the unlikely event that such a person does not have any appropriate attire, the participant will be required to return home that day at their own expense and without reimbursement for program fees.

Medical

Please complete and return to us the “Health Information and Consent for Emergency Medical Treatment Form” found in the “Registration Packet” linked in this email. Please list any additional issues, including any medical conditions or dietary restrictions, that you think we should be aware of, that may require an accommodation, or that could impact the safety or well-being of your child during the Program. Notifying us of any such conditions is entirely voluntary, and any information you share shall be treated as confidential and may only be disclosed to University officials or health care providers who have a legitimate need to know of such information.

If you are susceptible to allergies, be prepared for the Northern Indiana climate, as you will be spending a significant amount of time outside. Two fine hospitals, St. Joseph Regional Medical Center and Memorial Hospital, are within a few miles of campus should their services be needed.

Rules

Your week will be a wonderful experience of learning and sharing, making new friends, and having a great time. It is essential, therefore, that you and your parents or guardians are fully aware of the rules and that you abide by them while at Notre Dame. It is of utmost importance that you follow the Code of Conduct for Summer High School Residents. The complete list of rules is enclosed in the “Registration Packet” linked in this email. Additionally, smoking is prohibited for Notre Dame Vision participants.
Any student who violates one of these rules will be expelled from the program at the director’s discretion without reimbursement of program fees, will have his or her parents or guardians notified, will need to leave campus immediately, and will be asked to return home at his or her parents’ or guardians’ expense.

Please note: Cell phones, music players (iPods), or any other electronic devices are not allowed while program activities are in session. If someone is found using one of these during a program activity, the device will be confiscated and returned at the end of the week, or mailed home at the participant’s expense. We recommend that cell phones, iPods, and the like be left in your securely locked dorm room during the day while program activities are in session. Notre Dame Vision is not responsible for any lost items during your stay.

If any needs arise during the week, please first speak to one of the Mentors who are prepared to respond immediately to your concerns.

As Notre Dame Vision is an experience of community, participants are required to attend from Monday at 5pm through the closing mass, departing at 12:30pm on Friday. Early departure is not permitted and may incur financial penalty.

**Tuition/Balance**

Please mail your balance payment, along with your completed forms, to Notre Dame Vision, 334 Geddes Hall, Notre Dame, IN 46556. Payments should be submitted online or received via mail no later than May 22, 2019. Please make checks payable to “Notre Dame Vision.” Credit card payments are accepted through the Notre Dame Vision online store.

**Packing**

You will be staying in a college dorm room that will only have a bed, dresser, desk, chair, and closet/storage area. You will need to bring sheets, pillow and towels. There is no air-conditioning in the Vision dorms.

**Required:**
- Bed Linens (XL twin)
- Blanket
- Pillow
- Towel
- Toiletries
- Alarm Clock
- Sweatshirt/Sweater
- Comfortable Casual Clothes
- Water Bottle
- Athletic Attire
- Spending Money

**Recommended:**
- Fan (no A/C in the dorms)
- Shower Shoes/Sandals
- Small Backpack to carry personal items
- Outdoor Sports Equipment
- Playing Cards, etc.
- Raincoat/Poncho/Umbrella
- Watch
- Bible
- Journal
- Sunscreen
- Bug Spray
- Prescription Medications
- Allergy Medication

**Questions?**

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact the Notre Dame Vision staff:

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