

ST. THOMAS AQUINAS HIGH SCHOOL

A TRADITION OF ACADEMIC EXCELLENCE



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INVEST
IN THE **GOLD**
STANDARD

@STAHIGHSCHOOL   

*"STA equips students to become
successful global leaders who value
Faith, Family, Tradition and Excellence"*

-Dr. Denise Aloma, Principal





GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS

24.5 CREDITS

ENGLISH



4 CREDITS

PERSONAL FITNESS



.5 CREDITS

FINE ARTS



1 CREDITS

MATH



4 CREDITS

ELECTIVE



2 CREDITS

WORLD LANGUAGE



2 CREDITS

SCIENCE



3 CREDITS

ONLINE COURSE



.5 CREDITS*

SOCIAL STUDIES



3 CREDITS

THEOLOGY



4 CREDITS

HEALTH



.5 CREDITS

SERVICE HOURS



100 HOURS

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ADMINISTRATIVE TEAM

Dr. Denise Aloma
Dr. Rober Mulder
Dr. Suzy Prieto
Mrs. Margie Scott
Mr. Robert Biasotti

Principal
Assistant Principal
Assistant Principal
Assistant Principal
Assistant Principal

Ms. Jillian Fackenthal
Mr. Bernie Farrell
Mr. Adam Matthews
Mr. Twan Russell
Ms. Katelyn Tolzien
Mrs. Lisa Zielinski

Guidance Director
Dean of Students
Admissions
Athletic Director
Institutional Advancement / Alumni
Dean of Students

MISSION

Respectful of each person's self-worth, St. Thomas Aquinas High School, seeks to develop each student's God-given talents in a safe and caring atmosphere of sharing and challenge.

VISION

St Thomas Aquinas High School, a four year, college preparatory school, educates young men and women according to the traditions of the Catholic faith. The school seeks to develop each student's God-given talents in a safe and caring atmosphere of sharing and challenge. Through a comprehensive program of Catholic teachings, quality education, and persona development, St. Thomas offers to its students religious experiences, academic challenges, innovative approaches, athletic programs, social and cultural opportunities, and service to others.

The entire program focuses on the individual student, made in the image and likeness of God, who receives attention, affirmation, and challenge.

FACULTY OVERVIEW

26

Average years of classroom teaching experience:

71

Number of teachers holding advanced degrees:

17

Average years of STA teaching experience:

18:1

Student to teacher ratio:

111 FACULTY MEMBERS

24 FACULTY WHO ARE STA ALUMNI

COURSE OFFERINGS

ENGLISH

- Yearbook Journalism Production I, II, III, IV
- English I, II, III, IV
- English I, II, III, IV Honors
- Composition
- Composition And Literature
- Language And Composition
- Literature And Composition
- Mass Communication: Creative Writing
- Mass Communication: Creative Writing

FINE ARTS

- Forensics I, II
- Public Speaking
- Advanced Band I, II, III, IV
- Jazz Ensemble I, II, III
- Jazz Ensemble IV
- Band Corps I, II, III, IV
- Percussion Ensemble I, II
- Classical Guitar I, II, III, IV
- Marching Band I, II, III IV
- Music Theory
- Aquinas Chamber Singers I, II, III, IV
- Theatre Appreciation I, II, III, IV
- Musical Theatre I, II
- Acting I, II, III
- Acting IV Honors
- Technical Theatre I, II, III, IV
- Pottery I
- Art 2d And 3d
- Studio Art: 2d Design
- Studio Art: 3d Design
- Studio Art: Drawing
- Film Studies I
- Film Studies I
- Dance Techniques I, II
- Dance Techniques III, IV
- Dance Choreography I
- Dance Choreography II, III, IV
- Digital Photography I, II
- Art History

GRAPHIC ARTS

- Computer Graphic Arts
- Film Production I, II
- Graphic Design/Newspaper I
- Graphic Design/Newspaper II,III
- Animation Design I
- Computer Science

PHYSICAL EDUCATION

- Personal Fitness
- Health
- Dance Fitness

MATHEMATICS

- Algebra I
- Algebra I
- Geometry
- Geometry
- Algebra II
- Algebra II
- Math For College Readiness
- College Algebra
- Pre-Calculus
- Pre-Calculus
- Calculus
- Calculus AB
- Calculus BC
- Statistics
- Statistics
- Pre-Calculus: Trigonometry And Analytical Geometry
- Calculus I
- Ordinary Differential Equations
- Calculus III

SCIENCE

- Biology I
- Biology I
- Biology (Advanced Placement)
- Anatomy And Physiology
- Anatomy And Physiology
- Human Anatomy And Physiology
- Human Anatomy And Physiology II
- Chemistry I
- Chemistry I, II
- Chemistry
- Physics
- Physics C-Mechanics
- Physics I
- Physics C-Electricity And Magnetism
- Marine Biology
- Marine Biology
- Marine Biology
- Ecology
- Genetics
- Environmental Science
- Environmental Science
- Environmental Science
- Robotics I, II, III, IV
- Individual Research I, II, III, IV
- Pre-Med I, II
- Zoology Honors

SOCIAL SCIENCE

- World History
- World History
- Modern American History
- American History
- United States History
- American Government
- Economics
- American Government
- Economics
- U. S. Government And Politics
- Macroeconomics
- Microeconomics
- Psychology
- Psychology
- Human Geography
- Leadership 9, 10, 11, 12
- Comparative Government And Politics
- European History
- World Cultural Geography
- Pre-Law I, II

THEOLOGY

- Global Studies I, II
- Global Studies I, II
- Philosophy I, II
- Philosophy I, II
- Sociology
- Ethics
- Ethics
- World Religion
- World Religion
- Multicultural Studies
- Multicultural Studies

WORLD LANGUAGES

- Spanish I, II, III
- Spanish I, II
- Spanish For Speaker I, II, III
- Spanish For Speakers I, II
- Spanish III, IV
- Spanish Language
- Spanish Literature
- French I, II, III
- French III, IV
- French Language And Culture
- Italian Italian II, III
- Italian III, IV
- Italian Language And Culture

- * With Administrative Approval
- Honors Courses
- Advanced Placement Courses
- Dual Enrollment Courses

All students enrolled in Advanced Placement courses must take Advanced Placement exams.

27 NATIONAL SCHOLARS | 71 SCHOLARS WITH DISTINCTION
28 SCHOLARS WITH HONORS | 124 SCHOLARS

CLUBS & ACTIVITIES

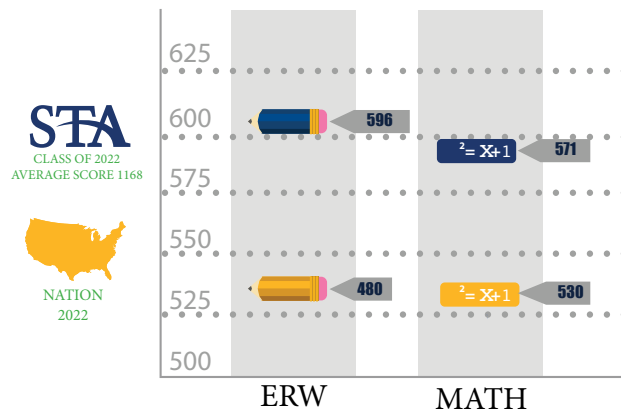
- Aquinas Kindness
- Art Club
- Aviation
- Becoming STA
- Best Buddies International
- Biotech
- Broward Surfrider Youth Club
- Cailini
- Campus Ministry
- C.A.R.E.
- Chess Club
- Coding
- Crossroads (Music Ministry)
- Dance Company
- D.I.S.C. Diversity Inclusivity Sensitivity Club
- Eco-Raiders
- Extra Catch
- Forensics & Debate
- Foster Friends
- French Club
- Fresh STArt Garden
- Future Health Care Professionals
- Girl Tech
- Helping Hearts
- Investors Club
- Italian Club
- Making Our Schools Safe M.O.S.S.
- Marine Biology Club
- Mock Trial
- Model United Nations
- Movie Goers Club
- Music Makers: Digital Audio Production
- Patriotic Raiders
- P.A.W.S. Pet & Animal Welfare Squad
- Photography Club
- Poetry & Creative Writing
- Pottery Club
- Raider Review (Digital Newspaper)
- Raiders for Autism
- Raiders for Life
- Recycling Corps
- Rowdy Raiders
- Service Learning
- Silver Knights
- Spanish Club
- Special Olympics
- Sports Management
- STA Serves
- STEM
- Table Tennis
- TEDx
- Thespians (Drama)
- VERITAS (Yearbook)
- Women of Tomorrow
- Young at Heart



AQUINAS BY THE NUMBERS

SAT TESTING PROFILE

The Class of 2022 achieved the following mean SAT scores as reflected by the highest attained score of each student and are compared to score reports from larger group populations.



ACT TESTING PROFILE

The Class of 2022 achieved the following mean ACT scores as reflected by the highest attained score of each student.

STA	22.9	21.1	23.1	21.3	22
	Reading	Math	English	Science	Composite
FLORIDA 2022	20.9	19.6	19.6	20.4	20.3



\$68
MILLION EARNED
 Academic, Athletic, Military
 and Special Talent Scholarships

945
 students sat for
1,631
 Advanced Placement
 Exams



WINNERS

English & Literature
Digital & Interactive Media

HONORABLE MENTION

Athletics
Business
Drama
Vocational Technical
World Language



The National Blue Ribbon Schools Program recognizes public and private elementary, middle, and high schools based on their overall academic excellence or their progress in closing achievement gaps among student subgroups. Every year the U. S. Department of Education seeks out and celebrates great American schools, schools demonstrating that all students can achieve to high levels.

The coveted National Blue Ribbon School award affirms the hard work of students, educators, families, and communities in creating safe and welcoming schools where students master challenging and engaging content.

HONOR SOCIETIES

- National Honor Society
- Art Honor Society
- Athletic Honor Society
- English Honor Society
- French Honor Society
- Italian Honor Society
- Mu Alpha Theta (Math)
- Quill & Scroll (Journalism)
- Rho Kappa Honor Society (Social Studies)
- Science Honor Society
- Spanish Honor Society
- Technical Honor Society
- Thespian Honor Society (Acting)
- Tri-M Honor Society (Music)

24

National African American Scholars

84

National Hispanic Scholars

5

National Indigenous People Scholars

7

NATIONAL MERIT FINALISTS

7

NATIONAL MERIT SEMI-FINALISTS

18

NATIONAL MERIT COMMENDED

GRADUATION ACADEMIC HONORS

The Valedictorian and Salutatorian are the students with the highest and next highest GPA determined at the end of the third marking period of Senior year. The following criteria will determine these awards:

- highest weighted cumulative average;
- completion of all credi requirements;
- all courses taken at STA, all transferred middle school grades with appropriate FLDOE number, grades from Early Bird and Enrichment courses, and all administratively approved FLVS grades;
- eligible students must have been in attendance at St. Thomas Aquinas High School from the beginning of the Sophomore year and remian enrolled three (3) consecutive years; and
- exemplary disciplinary record

The distinction of Summa cum Laude will be bestowed on students with a weighted GPA of 5.0 or higher, at the end of the third quater grading period of the Senior year (7.5 semesters). All courses taken at STA, all transferred middle school grades with appropriate FLDOE number, grades from Early Bird and Enrichment courses, and all administratively approved FLVS grades will determinine the Summa honors.

GRADING SCALE

A=90-100 B=80-89 C=70-79 D=60-69

St. Thomas Aquinas High School includes all courses in computing the GPA. "A" = 4.0. Weighted courses reflect challenging academic requirements. The strong academic program, the demanding system of grading, and the competitive nature of the students comprise significant factors necessary in evaluating students' records.

St. Thomas Aquinas High School does not rank students.



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