St. Thomas Aquinas HIGH SCHOOL

A TRADITION OF EXCELLENCE



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

-Dr. Denise Aloma, Principal



STA

GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS 24.5 CREDITS

ENGLISH



4 CREDITS

PERSONAL FITNESS



.5 CREDIT

FINE ARTS



1 CREDIT

MATH



4 CREDITS

ELECTIVE



2 CREDITS

WORLD LANGUAGE



2 CREDITS

SCIENCE



3 CREDITS

ONLINE CO<u>URSE</u>



.5 CREDIT

SOCIAL STUDIES ARE AQUINAS • WE ARE AQ



3 CREDITS

THEOLOGY



4 CREDITS

HEALTH



.5 CREDIT

SERVICE HOURS



100 HOURS

ADMINISTRATIVE TEAM

Dr. Denise Aloma
Mr. Robert Biasotti
Dr. Robert Mulder
Dr. Suzy Prieto
Dr. Margie Scott
Mrs. Lisa Zielinski
Principal
Assistant Principal
Assistant Principal
Assistant Principal
Assistant Principal

Ms. Jillian Fackenthal Mr. Bernie Farrell Mr. Adam Matthews Mr. Twan Russell Ms. Katelyn Tolzien Guidance Director
Dean of Students
Admissions Director
Athletic Director
Director of Institutional Advancement

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 personal 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

Average years of classroom teaching experience

Number of teachers holding advanced degrees Average years of STA teaching experience

18:1 Student to teacher ratio

127 FACULTY MEMBERS29 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

GRAPHIC ARTS

- Computer Graphic Arts
- Film Production I, II
- Graphic Design/Newspaper I
- Graphic Design/Newspaper II,III
- 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 1
- Physics C-Electricity And Magnetism
- Marine Biology
- Marine Biology
- Marine Biology
- Ecology
- Genetics
- **Environmental Science**
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- Robotics I, II, III, IV
- Individual Research I, II, III, IV
- Pre-Med I, II Zoology Honors

SOCIAL SCIENCE

- World History World History
- American History
- United States History American Government Economics
- American Government
- Economics
- U. S. Government and Politics
- Macroeconomics Psychology
- Psychology
- Human Geography
- Leadership 9, 10, 11, 12
- Comparative Government And Politics 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

Italian Italian II, III

- French I, II, III
- French III, IV
- French Language And Culture
- 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.

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

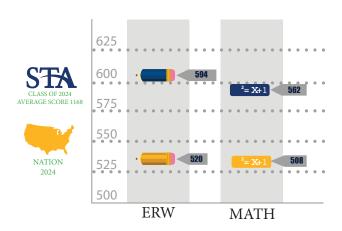
Young at Heart



AQUINAS BY THE NUMBERS

SAT TESTING PROFILE

The Class of 2024 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



ACT TESTING PROFILE

The Class of 2024 achieved the following mean ACT scores as reflected by the highest attained score of each student.

STA	22.7	21	22.1	21.2	21.9
	Reading	²= X+1 Math	English	Science	Composite
FLORIDA 2024	20.5	19.4	19	20	19.9



Academic, Athletic, Military and Special Talent Scholarships

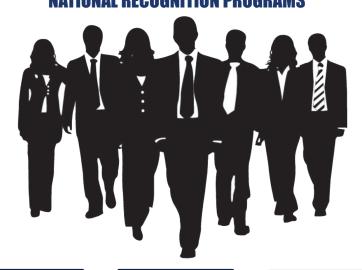
> students sat for Advanced Placement Exams



HONORABLE MENTION

Art Drama Mathematics Speech





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NATIONAL MERIT FINALISTS 9

NATIONAL MERIT SEMI-FINALISTS 14

NATIONAL MERIT COMMENDED

98

National Hispanic Scholars **10**

National Indigenous People Scholars 55

National African American Scholars

36

National First Generation Scholars



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)

AQUINAS ATHLETICS

- ■ Baseball
- ■ Basketball
 - Bowling
- ■ Cheer
 - Cross Country
 - ■ Football
 - ■ Flag Football
 - Golf
 - Lacrosse
 - Rowing
 - Sailing
 - Soccer
 - Softball
 - Sports Information
 - Swimming & Diving
 - Tennis
 - Track & Field
 - ■ Volleyball
 - Water Polo
 - Wrestling

■ Varsity ■ Junior Varsity ■ Freshman





ATHLETICS BY THE NUMBERS

131 STATE CHAMPIONSHIPS

3.45 AVERAGE ATHLETIC GPA

ATHLETIC COLLEGE SCHOLARSHIPS

GRADUATION ACADEMIC HONORS

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

- completion of all credit 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 remain enrolled three (3) consecutive years; and
- exemplary disciplinary record

The disctinction of Summa cum Laude will be bestowed on students with a weighted GPA of 5.0 or higher, at the end of the third quarter 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 determine 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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