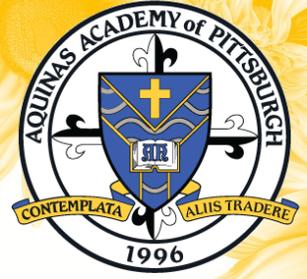


# The Dumb Ox

## September 2025



### Climbing Up the Mountain (Literally)

By: Caitlyn Abbett

On September 4th, Aquinas high school students set out on an overnight spiritual retreat to Ligonier, PA. The students got to enjoy numerous activities: color team games, rock climbing, ax throwing, hiking, and basketball. They also got to spend time with God in small groups, discussing this year's theme, "Climbing up the Mountain." Everyone listened to students and teachers share their own personal experiences with God, went to an afternoon and early morning Mass, and had the opportunity for confession and adoration led by Father Gruber.

Many new freshmen expressed how much fun their first retreat was. Hadley Rouse said, "It was really nice to watch my brother, Miller, give a testimony of his encounter with God. I also loved all the new friends I made through the retreat. I got super close with the girls in my class through the small groups, and I met a lot of upper-classmen through the color team games."

Other students who had attended the retreat before also remarked how much they enjoyed the experience. Head prefect Jonah Burchill shared, "There's so much I enjoyed about the retreat. Playing the piano for adoration, having confession outside in rocking chairs, getting to watch Ivo win dodgeball, and seeing everyone participate in games and having a great time." Senior Abigail Irvin really enjoyed the beauty of nature and friendship. "I really enjoyed playing all the games and hiking with my friends," she said. "The atmosphere was great and it provided really good opportunities for deep conversation as well as helping me grow in my faith. I ended up feeling a lot closer to God and to my classmates after just one day."

Students enjoyed free time, where they could engage in a variety of activities such as carpet ball, basketball, football, ping pong, mega jenga, foosball, and just walking around with friends. High school director Mr. Salinas, who chaperoned the retreat and claimed to be an undefeated foosball champ, had a great time playing against both students and teachers. He boasts, "I played Fr. Gruber, Anthony Keane, and some freshman girls and crushed all of them."

The student testimonies touched a lot of the faculty on the retreat. Mr. Salinas commented, "Tess Duer's witness talk was one of the most beautiful testimonies I've ever heard. The way her heart was nudged by the Holy Spirit struck me the most because it really shows the power of adoration." The high school students and faculty had a very memorable time at Ligonier this year. The trip was a great way to start off the 2025-2026 school year by having fun and connecting with our Aquinas community.

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# Meet the Teachers! (Part 1)

By: Katrina Kedzierski

This year, Aquinas gained five new faculty members and changed the roles for many of the existing teachers. Aquinas alumna Miss Elena Ligouri joined the faculty of Aquinas this year and is teaching a section of 4th grade, one section of 7th grade life science, and introductory chemistry for 8th grade, as well as assisting with C.P. biology for the freshmen. On top of all of this, she also helps with middle school science projects and preparing for PJAS.

After graduating from Aquinas as a valedictorian, Miss Ligouri attended the University of Pittsburgh where she earned an undergraduate degree in biology and a master's in medical product engineering. During her final semester at Pitt, she felt called to become a FOCUS missionary and was present at Pitt, West Point, and Temple University in this role. Miss Ligouri decided to return to Aquinas this year as a teacher. When asked about her favorite part of teaching science, she shared, "I love learning and helping others to love it as well. It is so important, as Catholics, to understand that science is a means to know and love God more, through the world He created."



Mr. Noah Thornburgh also recently joined the staff at Aquinas. He earned a bachelor's degree in philosophy with a minor in applied mathematics from Northern Illinois University. After teaching for a little at Lumen Gentium Academy in New Jersey, Mr. Thornburgh decided to move to Pittsburgh, and, when he looked into Aquinas, said that it was like "Providence had prepared a place for me, with two openings that fit my background perfectly!" He is currently teaching Ancient and Medieval Literature for the freshmen, Western Civilization for the 11th grade, Intro to Latin for middle schoolers, and Creative Writing for the 6th grade. One freshman student of his, Morgan Randall, said that her favorite part of his class were the lively class discussions. "It makes class a lot more enjoyable to me," she commented.

Mr. Joseph Murray is now filling Mr. Salinas's previous role of Middle School Director, as well as teaching 8th grade catechesis. After a life-changing conversion experience, he transferred from Temple University to Franciscan University of Steubenville, where he earned a bachelor's degree in philosophy. He comes to Pittsburgh all the way from sunny San Diego, where he taught theology and coached at a Catholic school there. Mr. Murray's favorite things about San Diego were "the beauty, the beach, the weather, and family." After looking into Aquinas Academy, he was "instantly sold." One reason for Mr. Murray's excitement about Aquinas was having Mass four out of five days a week, which he expressed was "a great gift." He is a favorite teacher already, with one of his students, Genevieve Mercer, stating, "I appreciate his dedication to his faith and how he strives to show that to us through his teaching in class."

All these teachers are incredible additions to the Aquinas faculty. Be sure to say hi if you happen to see these teachers and take time to get to know them!



# Spotlight on Sports

By: Grace Chrobak

Looking at the 2025 fall sports season, there are many highlights to share. Starting with cross country, the team kicked off their season at the White Oak Invitational. The team this year has grown in size. According to junior Tess Austin, “The summer training has paid off, and with the new freshmen contributing to the team, we improved.” Runners started their season off with a great meet, and they are excited about the opportunity to travel to Hershey!

Moving on to field hockey. The girls started their season off with a rocky start due to a limited number of players, but they are now getting their feet under them after pulling off a 2-0 win against Oakland Catholic. The team has been the WPIAL runner-up for the past four consecutive years and hopes to qualify again this year. Freshman Amelia Kedzierski stated her favorite thing about the field hockey team is, “the incredible teamwork we have, and how dedicated each girl is.”

Onward to the tennis courts. The team is more competitive than ever, racking up three wins already. Junior Kate Gillespie is hoping to advance in the WPIAL and states this year! She believes tennis has taught her many important lessons, one being, “It's not always up to you and someone always has your back.” The tennis team has created a positive environment and encourages a strong work ethic in the players. Good luck to Kate and the rest of the hard working girls as they continue on with their season!

The volleyball team has a new found motivation even after losing eight seniors! Senior Laila Tuffiash states, “The team is more tight knit this year. Everyone is working extremely hard and becoming more versatile with their positions!” One highlight of the season was that the volleyball team swept Riverview High School with the JV team winning in two sets and the varsity winning in three sets.

The girls soccer team recently had an outstanding performance against Carlington with a 7-0 victory and a shutout by their goalie Caitlyn Abbett. Senior and captain Elliot Keverline said, “My personal goal this season is to be an encouraging captain, because as an underclassmen I have always looked up to the senior captains!” Wishing these ladies good luck in the future for more shutouts!

We cannot forget about the boys soccer team! The team has been dominating the field. Some recent wins are: 11-2 Carlington, Serra Catholic 9-1, and Sewickley Academy 3-1 (which is believed to be in the top 3 teams this year!). Senior Gio Spotts believes that they have a “good shot at making the WPIAL playoffs.” The team is stacked with many talented players, one of them being freshmen Frank Fischer who has already scored four goals this season!

Lastly, it is time to recognize two standout golfers this month along with the rest of the golf team. Juniors Ian Patterson and Asher Buchanan are heading to sectionals for golf. According to sophomore Mackenzie Sparrow, “Everyone has lowered their 9 hole score from last year, and our lowest team score so far has been 222!” The young team is motivated by their improvement from the beginning of the season and looks forward to continuing to gain experience in the off-season.



# An Eventful Start to the Year

By: Laila Tuffiash

What could be a better start to the new school year than laughing with your friends around a bonfire and playing your favorite games? Aquinas high school students started their year this way with two exciting events: volleyball and yard games in August, and the Color War in September.



On August 22nd, high school students gathered on Dolan Field to play volleyball, cornhole, spikeball, and other yard games. Students who did not want to partake in any of these games walked around the field and enjoyed each other's company. Students also brought a variety of snacks and enjoyed s'mores over a fire. Senior Alex Aulacio, who transferred back to Aquinas this year after living in South America, said, "When I came to this event, I felt welcome back at the school. I got to meet a lot of new people and they were all great."

Similarly, freshman Lizzie Austin remarked that, "This event is where I really got to meet my new class. The classes change so much from 8th grade to freshman year and an event like this was bonding for our new grade." Sophomore Andrew Lesnefsky expressed appreciation for an opportunity to see his friends without the stress of school, saying, "It was nice to just get to play football and hang out with my school friends outside the school day." Activities prefect, senior Ava Lesnefsky, added that, "The volleyball and yard game night was a great way to start the year off strong! It was a fun way to see friends and new faces before the year started. It was great to see so many freshmen there!"

The fun continued on September 6th, when students returned to Dolan Field for the Color War. A longtime Aquinas tradition, students dressed in white and chased each other with cups of loose chalk in their team colors. Senior Lara Hainan had a great time, exclaiming, "I loved Color War because I got to spend time with friends who I don't really see during the day because they're in different classes." Junior Asher Buchanan also appreciated spending time with his friends, citing it as his favorite part of Color War. Sophomore Pursy Martsolf said her favorite thing about the color war was that, "It was kind of a free-for-all. I liked how there weren't a lot of rules and you just got to throw chalk at your friends and have a fun time." Ava agreed that "Color War was such a great time and we had an amazing turn out! At the end everyone was covered head-to-toe in chalk. Later we learned that the red team won the night. Overall it was a great team event and was enjoyed by all!"

The yard games and Color War were just two of the fun monthly events that the prefects have planned for students throughout the year, so stay tuned for more!



# The Freshmen's New Groove

By: Alexa Risdon

Going from the top of the mountain in eighth grade to the bottom of the food chain in high school, the freshmen at Aquinas have been holding their ground pretty well.

Freshman Frank Fischer stated, "My first day was confusing but went pretty smoothly," and others new to Aquinas can relate to that. Navigating through the busy halls is not for the faint of heart. Frank mentioned he was excited for all of the activities that are to come this year, "but not the amount of homework I have been told I will get." His favorite part of the year so far has been the friends he has made because they are the reason he can get through challenging school days.

Cayden Ferguson, a new freshman to Aquinas, had a blast at her orientation and reflected, "It was so welcoming and the teachers were all super fun." She is thrilled to meet more new people and strengthen her current friendships while forming new ones. Cayden "immediately felt welcome and had a great first day," even though she is new to the school. Her favorite part of this year so far was the retreat because she got to strengthen her relationship with God will continue to grow in her faith.



Claire Bandurski, another new freshman, was prepared for the first day of school after her orientation. By the end of the night she knew "everyone's names including the teachers and it was helpful to see the school before the first day." Claire is ecstatic thinking about the rest of her first year in high school, including her different sports and events, and "exploring and creating new friendships with not only my classmates but with people from other grades as well." She was nervous on the first day, and did not know what to expect, but knowing people from the volleyball team, "eased [her] nerves and helped [her] through the day."

Overall, Aquinas Academy's class of 2029 has some bright minds and impressive athletes who will continue to grow as they get older.

# The Final Stretch

By: Elise Metzler

From college applications to the senior lounge, a lot goes into senior year. No one denies that the most stressful part of senior year is making college decisions, but Felicity Koble takes a more positive approach, saying, "It's in God's hands." She does acknowledge its challenges as well, saying, "It's a lot more involved than I expected." She's right. Aquinas students have a reputation for getting into top schools, but the application process takes a toll. It is a stressful experience, and can lead to a lot of anxiety about the future. But perhaps for some students, the excitement of the next chapter of their lives carries them through this famously nail-biting time of year.

On the other hand, the senior lounge is known to be one of the best parts of senior year! Each year, the senior class takes over part of the lower level of the high school, and they get to enjoy the microwave, record player, and (a new addition this year) a mini pool table! Caitlyn Abbett says, "I really like how we're adding our own touch, it's very homey here." It certainly is, as anyone passing by is likely to hear both Sabrina Carpenter and pool being played while students laugh over their lunch. The relaxing environment can provide the seniors with a respite from the stress their last year can often bring.

Many teachers are excited to see the impact that the current senior class will make, not only on the senior lounge, but on the school community as a whole. Mr. Kuniega says, "After teaching the entirety of the current senior class last year, I am extremely excited for the enthusiasm, school spirit, and positive attitude they will be bringing with them throughout the year." Good luck to the class of 2026; have an amazing year!



# Life is Better in the Summer

By: Jules Shemer

After last year's finals, students at Aquinas Academy turned their attention to creating a memory-filled summer before the next school year arrived. Whether it was vacations, camps, or jobs, Aquinas students found ways to keep their summer exciting and eventful.

Some Aquinas high school students went to the summer Steubenville Youth Conference. When asked what her summer highlights were, sophomore Julia Santucci answered, "Probably going to the Steubenville conference." Senior Savannah Deschamps replied, "The Steubenville Youth Conference was really fun. I went with Saints Martha and Mary parish and the theme was "Consumed."

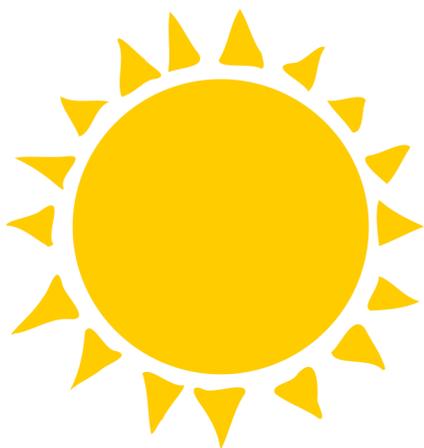
Other students enjoyed their preseason practices. Freshman Alegria Sisto, a devoted runner, responded, "I was running 5 days a week for Cross Country preseason. I got to spend time with a bunch of AQ students, which was definitely one of the highlights of my summer. I also went to Bethany Beach with my family which was really special." Classmate Tommy Edwards said, "I took a 3-week trip out west visiting almost all the national parks in my family's RV. I also did a couple basketball camps and open gym practices with Coach Yokatis."

Junior Claire Urban reflected on her summer saying, "I got to go to CYSC with a group of other Aquinas students. It was an amazing week filled with fun and God! I also got to go to Ocean Isle Beach in North Carolina with my family!" Sophomore Peter Koble, a dedicated sailor, shared his summer experience, "The most unique and enjoyable experience I took part in this past summer was in the crewing of a traditional sailing schooner, the *Lettie G. Howard*. It involved living aboard the 125-ft vessel while sailing around the clock in Lake Erie."

Even though school has started, the warm weather has not left quite yet. There is still time for more summer activities such as sailing on the Gateway Clipper and seeing the amazing views of the city or watching Paul Skenes pitch nine strikeouts at PNC Park. It might seem like a desolate eight months of school, but soon enough summer will be here and Aquinas students will be back to experiencing the summer.



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Aquinas students volunteering at Genesis



# One Last Stop

By: Lucy Flynn

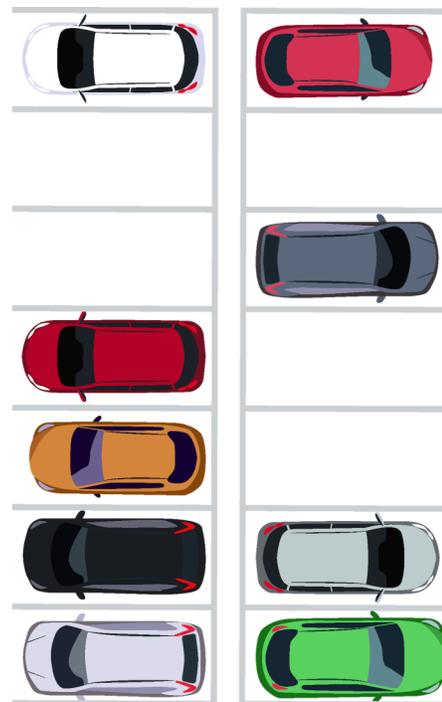
Over the summer the senior class all came together to paint parking spots for senior year. This tradition started last year with the 2025 senior class, and this year the 2026 senior class continued this tradition.

People created spots that went together, such as Brad and Marielle, who quoted the movie *Legally Blonde*: ““You got into senior year?” “What, like it’s hard?”” A couple senior boys painted their favorite team jerseys in their spot, and a senior even quoted Hamilton.

Andrew Giancola painted a football, soccer ball, and baseball because “sports have always been a big part of my life and I’ve always been super passionate about them. I like this tradition a lot because it’s cool how you get your own spot and can decorate it.” Savannah Deschamps, who has been at Aquinas since lower school, loves the new tradition. “My parking spot is the game *Twister* and I chose that design because I thought it would be funny, easy, and usable for perfect events. But it turned out to be a lot of math to space out all the circles.” Ava Lesnfsky is the activities prefect and painted her own parking spot as well. “My parking spot is checkered with bows. I decided to do this because I found it on Pinterest and thought it was so cute. I also decided to add ‘You’re Gonna Go Far’ by Noah Kahan because I thought this quote embodied senior year.”

Freshman Mary Grace Dolan stopped by during the painting process to say hi to the seniors and loves this tradition as well. She says, “I love the senior parking spots this year! The seniors were so creative and I’m honestly so excited to make one eventually! I already have a Pinterest board of ideas!”

The supervising teachers including Mr. B and Ms. Fetchko helped out in many ways with this new tradition. Mr. B loved the whole idea and said, “I knew a little about this and did some research and suggested a few things in terms of budget and time. Basically Ms. Fetchko was the one who tag teamed me in. We figured some stuff out and then told the prefect in charge of our ideas.” He added, “We didn’t have parking spots or anything like this when I was that age, so I love it and hope we keep it going.” Hopefully, this tradition continues for many more years to come!



# From Ordinary to Extraordinary

By: Brigid Mercer

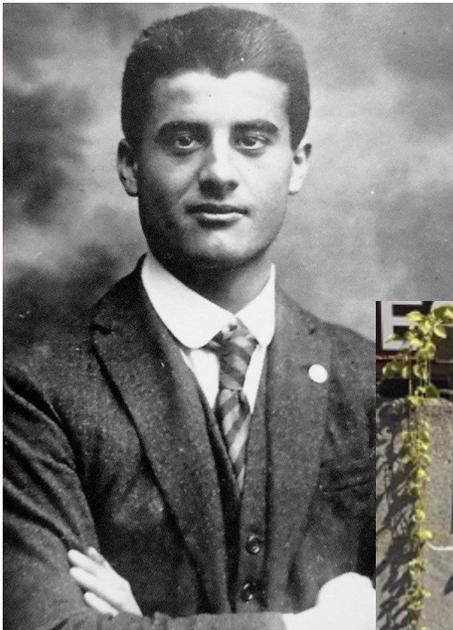
On September 7, 2025, the Catholic Church gained two tremendous modern saints, Saints Carlo Acutis and Pier Giorgio Frassati. Pope Leo XIV canonized these young men at the Vatican, marking his first official canonizations.

Carlo Acutis and Pier Giorgio Frassati shared a very strong devotion to the Eucharist, which they displayed in their everyday lives. Both saints grew up in Italy and spent their lives as models who fulfilled God’s mission for them. Carlo Acutis applied his gaming skills to create a Eucharist miracles website so that he could spread the faith to others. He promoted the idea that God has a special mission unique to each individual and everyone must do their best to live that mission out. Pier Giorgio Frassati embodied the Beatitudes with his love and devotion for the poor, giving all that he had, such as his food or money. He also took great joy in spreading the faith to his friends, taking them to Mass or even discussing the faith with them as they went about on adventures.



Just like Aquinas students, these young men had hobbies as well, with Carlo Acutis being an avid gamer and Pier Giorgio Frassati having an immense love for mountain climbing. Both of these new saints died at very young ages, Carlo dying at age 15 from leukaemia and Pier dying at age 25 from polio. Alice Dingle, a junior, reflected on the recent canonizations, “Becoming a saint sometimes feels like such an impossible task, only for very holy men and women who lived a long time ago. But with the lives of such ordinary people like Saints Pier Giorgio Frassati and Carlo Acutis, it’s such an incredible image of what a young saint should be and how we can achieve it.”

Carlo Acutis and Pier Giorgio Frassati are fantastic examples of ordinary young people who lived out God’s calling day by day, providing for the poor and spreading the faith whenever possible. Pier Giorgio Frassati often lived by the motto “Verso L’Alto!” which means “To the Heights!”, something each of us can apply as we climb our own “mountains” this school year to reach the eternal summit of Heaven.



## It's a Love Story and Baby She Said Yes!

By: Aurora Predis

Many Aquinas students and teachers have attended Taylor Swift's Era's Tour concerts, but none thought they would see her engaged. Taylor Swift was engaged this past August 26, to the Kansas City Chiefs tight end, Travis Kelce, after dating for about two years.

When asked about her memories of the recently engaged Taylor Swift, Ms. Sarah Fiorina, the new second grade teacher, said, "I gained a deeper appreciation for her talent and her ability to touch people's lives." About her thoughts on the recent engagement, Ms. Fiorina expressed, "I am so happy for her, I love a love story, and I am happy for her and Travis!" Regarding the atmosphere of the concert she said, "The atmosphere in the stadium was magical."

High school senior Brad Moore traveled all the way to Sao Paulo, Brazil, to see Taylor Swift in concert. When asked how he felt during the opening song, he expressed shock, saying, "Wow, she is in the room!!!" He also stressed the point, "It was so loud!" Another high school senior who attended a concert was Marielle Dillner, this time in Tampa, Florida. Marielle got the tickets as a surprise gift from her parents, and she was thrilled. When asked her opinion about the opening song she said, "It was so loud and hot, and I was so far up in the stands that I felt like I was going to pass out."

When different teachers and students were asked about the engagement there was positive feedback. High school director Mr. Salinas said, "Congratulations to the future Mrs. Kelce," and his office mate, Mr. Malchano replied, "Let's go Tay-Tay!" Senior Elliot Keverline expressed, "I am really excited that she has found 'The One'; I think her and Travis Kelce's relationship is really wholesome. I hope they have a beautiful and private wedding!" Generally, students are excited about the engagement and very interested in what the wedding is going to look like.



## Surviving September Stress

By: Aarona Casas

Returning to the classroom after a long break can be stressful. Changes in routine can be unsettling and lead to anxiety for a short period of time, usually lasting around two weeks.

In a school setting, anxiety can affect sleep, time management, and relationships. Mrs. Erica Brown, the school counselor at Aquinas shared that, "It is important to know that what seems stressful to you might not seem stressful to your friends. The most important thing you can do is identify the source and ask for help." Aquinas has developed mental health programs to help students from an early age. In lower school, the program is centered around character development and healthy friendships, and in middle and high school the advisory programs are designed to help the students manage stressors throughout the school year, along with available one-on-one meetings with Mrs. Brown.

Stress can also have an impact in sports life. Whether coming from the sport or from an external source, it can affect your physical abilities and skills. Stephanie Van Ingen, Aquinas Assistant Field Hockey Coach, graduated from Syracuse University and has worked in the mental health field for over 25 years. Taking advantage of her professional experience, she has been working with the field hockey team to strengthen the athletes' mental toughness as part of the preseason training. Coach Van Ingen stresses the importance of mental toughness for her athletes saying that, "In receiving help with my mental health, I found healing, change, and hope. I later began volunteering with others, and saw that same process happening." As a first-year varsity athlete, freshman Elizabeth Bird has benefited from Coach Van Ingen's mental toughness program, stating, "breathing [exercises] help me concentrate in games, especially whenever I feel overwhelmed. It helps me focus and concentrate on what I need to do."

It is important to be aware of the impact of mental health, especially when adjusting to the demands of the new school year. To combat stress this September, whether as a student, an athlete, or both, it is imperative to prioritize sleep, maintain healthy eating habits, find time to relax, nurture one's spiritual life, and connect with the community.



# Marching Towards Success: The Aquinas Cadet Corps

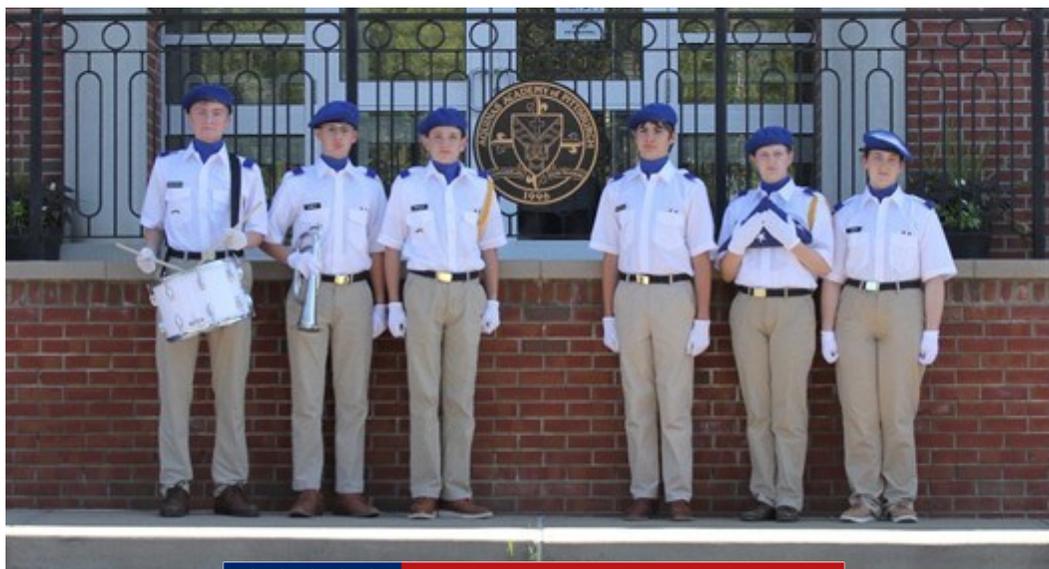
By: Abigail Irvin

Last year, the Aquinas Academy Cadet Corps (formerly known as Color Guard) was founded by Coach Carroll and eighth grader Max Predis to provide students with a formal military club. Coach Carroll describes the organization as “a military-themed club for middle school and high students. It was initiated after the Veterans Day Program in 2024. The purpose of the Cadet Corps is to provide opportunities for students to learn, experience, and practice ethical leadership. This is accomplished through the utilization of Drill and Ceremony, a military style command structure and the formal study of leadership.” Sophomore club member Peter Koble also remarked that the Cadet Corps “provides an opportunity for students who are discerning prospective military careers or those with interest to look forward and expand their skill set, while at the same time looking back and observing tradition honorably.”

The Corps will host a number of ceremonies and activities throughout the year, both on and off campus. Max Predis commented that these activities are “a really great way to learn about military structure, leadership, and drill. Yet, it is not just limited to drill and ceremonies—you will learn many other skills as well. There are also many classes available on subjects such as military style, land navigation, military history, and foreign policy.” The club has already done a few different ceremonies. On May 31, 2025, they participated in an historic ceremony commemorating the 200th anniversary of the Marquis de Lafayette's visit to the Arsenal in Lawrenceville, Pennsylvania. They played a pivotal role throughout the event, carrying French regimental flags representing the units that fought in the American Revolution, as well as Lafayette's battalion flag and family crest. The Cadet Corps served as the official escort detail for Major General Pippy and rendered ceremonial honors during "TAPS" and a formal "Pass in Review."

On September 11, 2025, the organization held the first ceremony of the school year: a formal flag raising to commemorate the events of 9/11/2001. Grades 4-12 had the opportunity to attend. Senior Caitlyn Abbett shared, “I liked that it was outside. Everything looked really pretty with the flowers and flags. I thought the Cadet Corps was great, especially with their reverence and patriotism. I also thought it was beautiful when everyone was singing.” Junior Bridget Mercer also stated that she has “really enjoyed doing all the ceremonies the Cadet Corps has participated in so far. The Lafayette event we did in May was a great learning opportunity for me and the 9/11 flag raising ceremony taught me leadership as well as composure.”

The Aquinas Cadet Corps has many events planned for the rest of the 2025-2026 school year, as well as intentions to continue the club for years to come. They are looking for new middle and high school members to join. If you have any questions or interest in participating, please contact Coach Carroll at [carrollfamily1@comcast.net](mailto:carrollfamily1@comcast.net).



# Snips n' Quips

"We had to go to the hospital because Peter stepped on a rusty nail." - Felicity K.

"I think I would be good at being homeless."  
-Julia J

"Did he have to get Tetris shots?" -Savannah D.

"Snips my quips" -Jonah B.

"Labubus look demonic. They look like they should be horcruxes or something." -Mr. Malchano

"Do they have diet coke?" -Fredy G.

"What's a diet?" -Brad M

"I was not made for hot weather and the College Board, I was made for taking little naps" -Meghan M.

"Sleep deprivation isn't real and I can prove it" -Jack H.

"I can drive great. That chipmunk had it coming" -Lucy F.

"Creepy Pittsburgh potty, run by the spider king"  
- Mr. Malchano

"Jonah 'Winston Burchill' Prime Minister of the soccer team will overcome the Nazis" -Mr. Salinas

## **What School Supplies are We?**

Abigail: Fancy post-it notes

Alexa: Crayon

Aarona: Highlighter

Aurora: Colored pencil

Brigid: Pink clicky pen

Caitlyn: A blue crayon

Grace: Sharpener

Elise: A disorganized planner

Laila: Ink pen

Lara: Ibuprofen

Felicity: Hole punch

Jack: Black pilot G-2 07 premium gel pen

Katrina: Highlighter

Jules: Neon yellow highlighter

Lucy: Erasable pen (They never work)

"Do you know John Lennon?" -Alice D.

"No, was he a president?" -Tess A.

\*waking up from a nap\* "Sorry, it's been a long day." -Louis B.

"A long day? My heart bleeds for you."  
-Mr. Blume

\*Taking off turf shoes\* "The dogs are out and they're barking." -Grace C.

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