



The Torch



June, 2020

From the Principal.....

Dear Parents and Students,

I hope that this letter finds you all safe and healthy. I know that some of our families have contracted the virus and I pray for their quick recovery. I would ask you all to follow the suggestions of our health care professionals and especially look for ways to help those most in need. The Aquinas Family has come to the aid of many of our families in troubling times and we will rise to the occasion with this pandemic. We are at our best when we are helping someone in need.

Thank you to teachers, students and parents for all your time, efforts and patience during this last quarter. This has been a learning experience for us all. Our teachers have become more and more comfortable with the process and the students have adjusted well. We hope that we do not carry the pandemic into the next year but we will be working with the teachers throughout the summer to have them prepared to teach in whatever format we find ourselves in.

We are planning to start the new school year on August 12 with our teachers and students in the classroom. In the event that state mandates do not allow that, we would opt to have a later start date. The 2020-2021 school year will begin in a Christ Centered atmosphere with well-prepared and dedicated teachers and staff. We are excited to get back to as close to "normal" as we can be.

We will again be offering free bus transportation using the same pick-up points and guidelines as this past year. Please contact the school if you are interested in bus service next year. Finally, I am making my last plea for bus drivers. We are always in need of drivers. Please contact the school if you are interested and can help transport our wonderful students. The wage for our route drivers is \$35 per morning or afternoon route. That is \$1,400 per month.

Stay safe and healthy!

David G. McMahon, Principal

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AQUINAS HIGH SCHOOL 2019-2020

QUARTER 4 HONOR ROLL

FRESHMEN HONOR ROLL: Aletha Breiner, Meghan Burwell, Noah Grady, Lacie Hartman, Landon Hilderbrand, Allisen Jelinek, Zander Kavan, Natalie Kovar, Krae Lavicky, Veronica Reimers, Luke Sellers, Jocelyn Stara, Margaret Svec, Antonia Wachal, Rachel Wacker, Claire Wisnieski, Mara Yindrick

FRESHMEN HONORABLE MENTION: Ava Hilger, Brooke Hoelscher, Joshua Palik

SOPHOMORE HONOR ROLL: Michael Andel, Trista Birkel, Meredith Dalton, Marcus Eickmeier, Xavier Fiala, Shae Junck, Benjamin Lyons, Ella Moravec, Jaxon Ondracek, John Prochaska, Grace Reiter, Caleb Thege, Matthew Vrbka, Gracyn Wollmer, Hailey Woolsey, Hannah Woolsey

SOPHOMORE HONORABLE MENTION: Olivia Perske, Hunter Reisdorff, Ethan Schmid

JUNIOR HONOR ROLL: Nolan Albracht, Kolby Baer, Blanca Bravo, Russell Brezina, Brian Cech, Rylan Chromy, John Dalton, Payton Davis, Emily Eller, Natalie Eller, Nolan Eller, William Eller, Bethany Emswiler, Alli Hartman, Madisen Jelinek, Brett Kobza, Keegan Lavicky, Jonathan Luna, Kaylee Miller, Kyle Napier, Julia Nemec, Ruth Plasek, Andrew Schmid, Emma Sellers, Benjamin Shonka, Peter Sisco, Joshua Uhrmacher, Terrence Wachal, Jacob Witter, Caitlyn Yindrick, Jude Yindrick, Zachary Zitek, Addison Zook

JUNIOR HONORABLE MENTION: Tylen Jakub

SENIOR HONOR ROLL: Elizabeth Aschoff, Justine Beringer, Maria Buresh, Isabel Coufal, Collin Hain, Isabella Hilger, Nathan Junck, Benjamin Kment, Macy Kobza, Sean Kovar, Caden Kozisek, Darian Krenk, Morgan Littlefield, Alexander Lyons, Gabrielle Oborny, Zachary Pandorf, Lily Plasek, Maria Pytlik, Allison Rerucha, Travis Roh, Owen Schramm, Jady Siroky, Braden Smith, Kaley Steager, Michelle Stuhr, Macey Thege, Katie Thompson, Kylee Thompson

SENIOR HONORABLE MENTION: Konner Adamy, Shyler Jones, Cassidy Reisdorff, Nolan Schultz

SEMESTER 2 HONOR ROLL

FRESHMEN HONOR ROLL: Aletha Breiner, Meghan Burwell, Noah Grady, Lacie Hartman, Allisen Jelinek, Zander Kavan, Natalie Kovar, Krae Lavicky, Joshua Palik, Luke Sellers, Jocelyn Stara, Margaret Svec, Antonia Wachal, Rachel Wacker, Claire Wisnieski, Mara Yindrick

FRESHMEN HONORABLE MENTION: Ava Hilger, Brooke Hoelscher, Veronica Reimers

SOPHOMORE HONOR ROLL: Michael Andel, Trista Birkel, Meredith Dalton, Xavier Fiala, Shae Junck, Benjamin Lyons, Ella Moravec, Aubrey Novacek, Jaxon Ondracek, John Prochaska, Grace Reiter, Caleb Thege, Matthew Vrbka, Gracyn Wollmer, Hailey Woolsey, Hannah Woolsey

SOPHOMORE HONORABLE MENTION: Marcus Eickmeier, Olivia Perske, Hunter Reisdorff, Ethan Schmid

JUNIOR HONOR: Nolan Albracht, Kolby Baer, Blanca Bravo, Russell Brezina, Brian Cech, Rylan Chromy, John Dalton, Payton Davis, Jonathan Duke, Natalie Eller, Nolan Eller, Bethany Emswiler, Alli Hartman, Tylen Jakub, Madisen Jelinek, Brett Kobza, Keegan Lavicky, Jonathan Luna, Kaylee Miller, Kyle Napier, Julia Nemec, Ruth Plasek, Andrew Schmid, Emma Sellers, Benjamin Shonka, Peter Sisco, Terrence Wachal, Jacob Witter, Caitlyn Yindrick, Jude Yindrick, Zachary Zitek, Addison Zook

JUNIOR HONORABLE MENTION: Emily Eller, William Eller, Joshua Uhrmacher

SENIOR HONOR ROLL: Elizabeth Aschoff, Justine Beringer, Maria Buresh, Isabel Coufal, Collin Hain, Isabella Hilger, Benjamin Kment, Macy Kobza, Sean Kovar, Caden Kozisek, Darian Krenk, Morgan Littlefield, Alexander Lyons, Gabrielle Oborny, Zachary Pandorf, Lily Plasek, Maria Pytlik, Allison Rerucha, Jayci Roh, Travis Roh, Owen Schramm, Jady Siroky, Braden Smith, Michelle Stuhr, Macey Thege, Katie Thompson, Kylee Thompson

SENIOR HONORABLE MENTION: Nathan Junck

From the Principal.....

Aquinas Middle School Scholastic Achievement Awards – Fourth Quarter

The following Aquinas Middle School students received a Scholastic Achievement Award for fourth quarter. The award is given to any middle school student who has maintained at least a 93 percent average or has improved his grade point average (GPA) from last quarter.

Grade 8 students include Dylan Andel, Rebecca Andel, Jordyn Bohuslavsky, Josiah Brezina, Gianna Frasher, Tate Hain, Jakob Kavan, Alan Morales, Jacob Moravec, Emma Prochaska, Bianca Romshek, Cecilia Sisco, Caroline Slama, Jack Timoney, Riley Yindrick, Clayton Zavodny. Improving: Robert Pytlik.

Grade 7 students include Kurtis Baer, Isaiah Coufal, Flora Dalton, Caleb DeWispelare, Calle Hilderbrand, Jacksen Jelinek, Marcus Krivanek, Kasen Lavicky, Avery Oltmer, Kaleb Palik, Kailer Pohl, Allie Prochaska, Lizzie Roh, Molly Ruiz, Bryant Stouffer, Reese Woolsey. Improving: Bella Comte, Kelby Coufal, Izzie Kadavy, Max Scott, Makenna Steager, Yaretzi Villa, and Garrett White

Grade 6 students include Lilly Collins, Nathaniel Hain, Grace Masek, Lydia Meysenburg, Marissa Miratsky, Miranda Novacek, Becca Podolak, Violet Schmid, Sydni Svoboda, Madison Vandenberg, Rebecca Wacker, Ainsley Wollmer, Gus Yindrick, Isaac Zimmerman. Improving: Oliver Antholz, Danica Bohuslavsky, Dillon Bohuslavsky, Kenadi Hotovy, Brynn Kudlacek, Lauren Meister, Jonathan Pytlik, Jarin Thege, Allen Wachal, and Drew Wachal.

2020 Physicals Schedule

Only Grades 7 and 9
need physicals this year

Tuesday, July 14

Girls at 6:00 p.m. and Boys at 7:00 p.m.

Witter Family Clinic COST- \$15.00

Aquinas Middle School – 2020-2021

SUPPLIES NEEDED BY GRADES 6, 7 AND 8

PUT YOUR NAME ON ALL YOUR POSSESSIONS.

NOTE: All textbooks will need to be covered with your own paper or book covers.

We request that students **NOT** use White-Out (liquid paper correction fluid). Do **NOT** bring White-Out. Do **NOT** bring a compass.

GRADE 6

One 3-ring binder (1-2" rings) for Social Studies. Inexpensive one will be fine.

1 storage binder for carrying paper, folders, etc.

3-hole loose-leaf notebook paper (white and wide-ruled or college-ruled)

3 Spiral Notebooks (single subject notebooks) Without perforation so pages won't rip out easily.

1 Spiral Notebook for math; the pages should NOT be perforated. These will be used throughout the entire year and pages should not fall out!

One 3-subject notebook for Social Studies --Without perforation so pages won't rip out easily.

3 Portfolios (folders) with pockets and paper fasteners (for classwork)

Pencils and pens (**black or blue ink**) **No neon or gel pens. Red pens** for checking

3 packages of 3X5 lined notecards

1 pack (5) of full-page subject dividers (for Social Studies)

Pencil case (one with 3 holes that can be inserted in binder for organization)

Scissors and Large Pink Eraser

2 regular-size boxes of Kleenex

Colored pencils (small box)

The New American Bible (Students who don't have one from fifth grade will receive one.)

For P.E. – gym shoes—can be old ones, but these shoes need to stay here at school for use in gym only.

GRADE 7

Two 3-ring binders (1-2" rings) for Social Studies and English/Reading. Inexpensive ones (hard-back) will be fine.

3-hole loose-leaf notebook paper (white and wide-ruled or college-ruled)

3 Spiral Notebooks (single subject notebooks) Without perforation so pages won't rip out easily.

1 Spiral Notebook for math; the pages should NOT be perforated. These will be used throughout the entire year and pages should not fall out!

One 3-subject notebook for Social Studies --Without perforation so pages won't rip out easily.

3 Portfolios (folders) with pockets and paper fasteners (for classwork)

Pencils and pens (**black or blue ink**) **No neon or gel pens. Red pens** for checking.

3 packages of 3X5 lined notecards (for English and Social Studies)

1 pack of full-page subject dividers (5) (for Social Studies)

Pencil case (recommended one with 3 holes that can be inserted in binder for organization)

Small box of highlighters

Scissors and Large Pink Eraser

2 regular-size boxes of Kleenex

Colored pencils

The New American Bible (students who don't have one from sixth grade will receive one.)

Dictionary (Bring dictionary received last year. New students will receive one.)

For P.E. – shorts, t-shirt (no inappropriate slogans or advertising), socks, gym shoes.

GRADE 8

One 3-ring binders (1-2" rings) for Social Studies. Inexpensive ones (hard-back) will be fine.

3-hole loose-leaf notebook paper (white and wide-ruled or college-ruled)

3 Spiral Notebooks (single subject notebooks) Without perforation so pages won't rip out easily.

Two 3-subject notebooks for Social Studies and Math --Without perforation so pages won't rip out easily.

5 Portfolios (folders) with pockets and paper fasteners (for classwork)

Pencils and pens (**black or blue ink**) **No neon or gel pens. Red pens** for checking.

3 packages of 3X5 lined notecards (for English and Social Studies)

1 pack of full-page subject dividers (5) (for Social Studies)

Pencil case (recommended one with 3 holes that can be inserted in binder for organization)

Scissors and Protractor

Small box of highlighters

2 regular-size boxes of Kleenex

Colored pencils

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Greetings St. Mary's Parents,

Hope your summer is finally getting under way. We are working on plans for the summer as opportunities open up. Please watch your email and Facebook and we will share summer camps and workshops as we can get them scheduled.

Congratulations to all of our students for making it through the end of a challenging year. We especially want to congratulate these students who received honors this year.

God bless,

Mrs. Zook

We pray for a wonderful new year for our 5th graders transitioning up to Aquinas.

Mrs. Sarah Zook, Principal

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5th Grade Presidential Awards:

Academic Excellence:

Sarah Coufal
Dayne Jakub
Jacob Wacker
Anna Meysenburg

Academic Improvement:

Mary Kate Moravec
Gunner Marushak
Kaela Karpisek
Troy Masilko

Citizenship:

Sarah Coufal
Landon Pohl

Perfect Attendance:

Alexander Alcantara
Allison Alcantara
Kaylee Andel
Braxton Augustin
Madison Augustin
Rilley Lowe
Jordyn Masilko
Caleb Parker
Austin Pracheil
Gregory Sisco
Henry Sisco
Gavin Thege
Elliot Wacker
Jacob Wacker
Theodore Wacker

Diocese Pro-Life Poster Contest

5th Grade, 1st place: Paxton Zook

May, 2020

Dear 2021 Seniors and Parents of 2021 Seniors,

Next year your son/daughter will be a senior. One of the most lasting and treasured reminders of this year will be the senior pictures which will be taken over the summer or the first part of the school year. You will be responsible for getting the following senior pictures to Mrs. Pokorny by **November 1, 2020:**

You need to have your photographer email your colored formal pose picture in a vertical billfold sized JPEG file at 250 dpi to me for the yearbook, composite, alumni board, press releases, and class video. This picture should be the colored formal indoor pose with a plain background. (This should be a head shot with no hands visible please.) You are responsible for making sure the school has this by November 1st. They may email this to Mrs. Pokorny at teresa-pokorny@cdolinc.net

If we do not have your prints by November 1st, you may miss out on being in the composite, yearbook, etc. or have to pay for the late fee to be included. Be sure to schedule for your pictures to be taken by September 1st.

As we at Aquinas should always strive to live up to Christ's example of modesty and Christian decency, we ask that no inappropriate pictures be submitted for publication. This would include:

Females-no off-the-shoulder dresses or blouses

Females-no tops with an immodest/low cut (cut of the top must be 1 inch above the line of cleavage); no spaghetti or thin straps on shoulders for dresses or blouses

Males-wear a collared shirt and tie. (A jacket is preferred but optional.)

Nothing that goes against the current dress code, for example-tattoo/body piercing, hair length, facial hair, etc.

***Remember that by a colored formal pose, we are asking for a head shot with no hands visible in the picture. The background should be plain/one color and NO outdoor shots.**

Again, remember to have your photographer email your colored formal vertical pose picture in a billfold sized JPEG file at 250 dpi to Mrs. Pokorny by November 1st.

The administration reserves the right to refuse any portrait deemed unacceptable or immodest. Please read and follow the instructions we have provided and there should be no problems.

If you don't plan to have senior pictures taken, Ms. Brown will take a formal head shot picture, but this must be arranged with her before November.

If you have any questions, please contact Mrs. Pokorny at 367-3175. Best wishes and have an enjoyable summer.

Sincerely,

Teresa Pokorny

Senior Class Moderator



For Sophomores, Juniors, Seniors & Recent Graduates

Camp 1: July 5th to July 7th

Camp 2: July 7th to 9th

(2020-2021 freshman are NOT eligible)

Check out Video on YouTube

Sign up Online and DioceseofLincoln.org look for youth activities

Transportation: We will leave from Aquinas as usual.

Have Questions: Contact Fr. Homes

Aquinas & St. Mary's has partnered with Tommy Hilfiger Uniforms who can provide the same quality uniform items at **20-45% cost savings!**

Here is an overview of the Aquinas Uniform Guidelines starting in the Fall of 2020.

Aquinas Catholic UNIFORM OVERVIEW

**See the handbook for the entire dress code*

SCHOOL UNIFORMS by TOMMY HILFINGER

www.globalschoolwear.com

School Code:AQUI03

with collar
any brand



Gold, Black,
or White Top



Black Slacks any brand
Khaki Slacks **MUST** be School Uniforms



Must
wear
a belt



Aquinas Sweatshirt
sold every year by
the current sophomore class

No
hoodies or
activity
sweatshirts

Quarter Zip Uniform Top



School
Uniforms by
Tommy



School
Uniforms by
Tommy

Performance Golf Pant

Long Sleeve
V-Neck
Sweater



All khaki items **MUST** be purchased from School Uniforms by Tommy Hilfiger

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- A uniform shirt with collar **must** be worn under sweaters
- Black slacks can be any brand
- Khaki items are only available for Aquinas students
- *Previously purchased Dennis items can still be worn.*

St. Mary's navy uniforms are still allowed through the end of the 2020-2021 school year, as well as the gold and black items are allowed

Here is an Overview of the St. Mary's Uniform for all, starting Fall 2021.

St. Mary's School UNIFORM OVERVIEW

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SCHOOL UNIFORMS by TOMMY HILFINGER

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School Code: AQU103

The graphic displays various school uniform items with labels and callouts. At the top left, a yellow polo shirt is shown with a callout bubble stating 'no decals, with collar'. Below it is a black long-sleeved shirt. To the right of the yellow shirt are three colored circles (gold, black, white) with the label 'Gold, Black, or White Top'. Further right is a black skirt labeled 'Black Skort'. In the center is a black polo shirt labeled 'Performance Polo Black or White', with two colored circles (black, white) below it. To the right of the polo shirt is a plaid skirt labeled 'Skirt'. Further right is a plaid jumper dress labeled 'Jumper', with the text 'COMING July 2020' above it. Below the yellow shirt is a black jumper dress labeled 'Black Jumper'. To the right of the black jumper is a black jumpsuit labeled 'Black Slacks'. Below the black jumpsuit is a pair of black shorts labeled 'Black Shorts'. To the right of the black shorts is a black sweater labeled 'Sweaters or Carigans Black or White'. A callout bubble stating 'No novelty belts' is positioned near the black slacks. On the far left, a black jumpsuit is shown with the label 'Leggings White or Black' and a note 'under jumper or skirts during winter months'. The text 'Starting for the 2021 School Year' is at the bottom right.

no decals, with collar

Gold, Black, or White Top

Black Skort

Performance Polo Black or White

Skirt

Jumper

COMING July 2020

Black Jumper

Black Slacks

No novelty belts

Black Shorts

Sweaters or Carigans Black or White

Leggings White or Black

under jumper or skirts during winter months

Starting for the 2021 School Year

Items that **MUST** be purchased from School Uniforms by Tommy Hilfiger: plaid skirts, plaid jumpers, sweatshirt cover-ups, and “jacket” cover-ups

4th and 5th Graders: note the Aquinas requirements on previous page

If you have questions, the [entire dress code is in the handbook online](#)

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 July 6th through July 12th, 2020 

The Healthy, Hunger-Free Kids Act of 2010 (the Act), Public Law 111-296

Check out Nebraska's Summer Food Service Program. The program which provides free summer meals to kids and teens (ages 1 – 18) may be available in your area at select locations. The meals help ensure children continue to receive nutritious meals when school is out for the summer. There are many open summer meal sites throughout the state of Nebraska. Call 2-1-1 or text FOOD to 877-877. Visit <http://www.fns.usda.gov/summerfoodrocks> or <http://www.education.ne.gov/NS/SFSP/index.html>

Get updates via Twitter at #NESummerMeals and the Nebraska Department of Education-Nutrition Services' Facebook page.



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