AQUINAS CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL

Class of 2026





Pink Game & Senior Night 2025



Kaleb Andel's epic pin at Butler County Triangular



Aquinas Class of 2026 & 2038 at Stara Pumpkin Patch



Aquinas Catholic Homecoming Court 2025

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$140,000+

scholarships accepted

2,610

hours of service to community, parish, or elderly

90%

earned dual college credits

52%

have earned an entire semester of college credits

22.6

Class of 2026 ACT Average
National Average 19.4

100%

participated in one or more extracurricular activities

Seniors graduate from Aquinas with more than academic knowledge—they leave with a strong spiritual foundation formed through years of prayer, retreats, sacramental life, service, mentorship, and intentional faith formation.



As upperclassmen, students meet one-on-one with spiritual formation mentors for guidance, prayer, and encouragement in their relationship with God. Many describe these meetings as one of the most meaningful parts of their Aquinas experience.





Senior year offers unique opportunities for leadership and spiritual growth, including a mission and pilgrimage experience with Hope of the Poor in Omaha, leadership in school-wide faith celebrations, and participation in retreats. For many, the Senior Retreat becomes the culmination of their faith journey at Aquinas.





Our Mission to help students know they are deeply loved by God, grow as disciples of Christ, and use their gifts in service, leadership, and witness long after they leave Aquinas.

Formation Opportunities

- Frassati LIFE Academy (*inspired by St. Giorgio Frassati*) Building faith, friendship, leadership, and virtue through community and the Schools of Faith, Hope, Humility, and Fortitude
- Society Time: Small faith-centered groups for grades 6–12 focused on mentorship, prayer, discussion, and community building
- Prayer throughout the school day
- Theology taught by a Priest or Deacon
- Mass twice a week
- Monthly Penance and Adoration
- First Friday Devotions and Adoration opportunities
- Annual spiritual retreats for grades 6–12
- Senior Retreat
- Bible study opportunities starting in 6th grade
- Senior Gentlemen Leadership Lunch with Fr. Sughroue

Regents Scholar



Evan Hoelscher

Aquinas Catholic High School proudly recognizes senior Evan Hoelscher for earning the prestigious Regents Scholarship, one of the highest academic honors awarded to incoming freshmen in the University of Nebraska system. This full-tuition scholarship reflects Evan's dedication, intellect, and hard work throughout his high school career.

Evan is the son of Rod and Cris Hoelscher and a member of St. Mary's Catholic Church in David City.

Evan's success is well deserved, and we look forward to his future accomplishments.

Future Plans

Berenice Alarcon	University of Nebraska – Lincoln	Psychology
Clarice Ann Andel	Central Community College	Early Childhood Education
Kaleb Allen Andel	Wayne State College	Secondary Education- Social Sciences
Danica Jo Bohuslavsky	Kansas University	Business Sales and Finance
Dillon Jeffrey Bohuslavsky	Northeast Community College	Agribusiness and Precision Ag
Lilly Josephine Collins	Kansas State University's Aerospace and Technology Campus - Salina, KS	Professional Pilot Program
Bella Francine Fontenot	Wayne State College	Elementary Education
Nathaniel Leo Hain	Wayne State College	Criminal Justice
Seth Allen Hlavac	Northeast Community College	Utility Line
Evan Gerald Hoelscher	University of Nebraska – Lincoln	Accounting
Symon Drew Kastl	Enter the Workforce	
Brynn Ashton Kudlacek	Metropolitan Community College	Creative Arts and Design
Grace Annabel Masek	Wayne State College	Elementary Education
Lauren Marie Meister	Central Community College	Agribusiness and Agronomy
Lydia Ciara Meysenburg	Central Community College	Information Technology
Colby Raymond Miller	Central Community College	Electromechanial-Mechatronics
Marissa Margaret Miratsky	Kansas State University	Pre-Vet Sciences
Miranda Jill Novacek	Southeast Community College	Surgical Technician
Becca Ann Podolak	University of Nebraska – Lincoln	Agricultural Communications with a minor in the Engler Entrepreneurship Program
Noah Allen Polacek	Central Community College	Precision Agriculture
Violet Mae Schmit	University of Minnesota – Duluth	Biochemistry in Health Sciences
Kaitlyn Angela Schneider	University of Nebraska - Lincoln	Health and Exercise Science – Pre-Physical Therapy
Luke William Storm	Southeast Community College	Undecided
Sydni Lynn Svoboda	University of Nebraska – Kearney	Pre-Dental Hygiene
Jarin Matthew Thege	Enter the Workforce	Obtain CDL through Northeast Community College
Madison Christine Vandenberg	University of Nebraska – Lincoln	Health and Exercise Science – Pre- Occupational Therapy
Rebecca Mae Wacker	Wayne State College	Elementary Education
Ainsley Evyn Wollmer	University of Nebraska – Lincoln	Biological Sciences - Pre-Physician Assistant
Augustine Paul Yindrick	Southeast Community College	General Business











Celebrating Excellence

Aquinas Catholic students were honored for their hard work and for using their God-given talents during the Annual Awards Ceremony. The success of our students would not have been possible without the support of parents and the dedicated efforts of teachers, coaches, and administration.

Cardinal Neuman Award
Awarded to the senior who best demonstrates character, attitude, and zeal for the Christian ideal while exemplifying the aims and objectives of Aquinas Catholic Schools.

Angelic Doctor Award
Awarded to the student who, in imitation of the school's patron St. Thomas Aquinas, achieves the highest academic grade point average for the current school year.

Athletes of the Year
Recognizes student-athletes who use their God-given talents throughout the year to grow as individuals and athletes through loyalty, commitment, and cooperation, leading to athletic success.

Monarch Teammates of the Year
Recognizes student-athletes who demonstrate a spirit of sacrifice by placing their team above themselves and serving as outstanding examples for all Monarch athletes. Their commitment to sharing time and talents reflects a strong Christian philosophy.



Rebecca Wacker
Cardinal Neuman Award



Violet Schmid
Angelic Doctor Award



Jarin Thege
Athlete of the Year



Riley Campbell
Athlete of the Year



Faith Samek
Athlete of the Year



Landon Pohl
Teammate of the Year



Sydni Svoboda
Teammate of the Year



Madison Vandenberg
Teammate of the Year



Kaleb Andel
Thespian of the Year



Violet Schmid
Butler County Arts Council Person of the Year



Nathaniel Hain
Music Person of the Year

2025-2026 Achievements

Diocese of Lincoln
St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Recipient
Elementary Educator of the Year



Mrs. Rachel Wisnieski
Aquinas Catholic Elementary
Preschool Teacher

Mrs. Rachel's nomination read, in part: "*Rachel is a treasured part of our school community. She is an extraordinary educator who is fully dedicated to helping her students grow in their faith, academics, and social skills. She goes above and beyond for the Aquinas community.*"

Watch her story

Golden Owl Finalist

In Feb. Ms. Shelly Kubicek was awarded one of six Golden Owl Award nominees in Nebraska, honoring outstanding agricultural educators who inspire the next generation of ag leaders. Nebraska Agricultural Educator of the Year will be announced this summer.



Ms. Shelly Kubicek

NSAA Outstanding Service Award

Ms. Jean Brown recieved the 2026 NSAA Outstanding Service Award in Journalism. This distinguished honor recognizes her exceptional dedication to student journalism, as well as her lasting impact on scholastic activities within the school community.



Ms. Jean Brown





Wrestling Class D State Dual Runner-Ups

State Qualifiers

FFFA
27 students qualified

CC
Girls team
3 individuals
1 boy individual

Wrestling
7 individuals

Speech
3 individuals

Journalism
2 individuals in Broadcasting

Fine Arts

Marching Band
I rating x2

Honor Band
4 students were invited by audition to perform
4 honor band events

Honor Choir
5 students

Show Choir
2nd place awards 2x



Aquinas FFA was awarded **Nebraska's top "I Believe" chapter**, which recognizes chapters that go above and beyond in living out the FFA creed through meaningful member engagement and community involvement.

State Results

Wrestling Individual Medalists
2 at 6th
1 at 4th
2 at 2nd

Cheer
Runner-Ups

Girls CC
15th Place Medalist



Speech Entertainment Champion



FFA Agriscience Champion

Employment Skills Runner-Up

Journalism
8th Place Broadcasting Sports Story (2 students)

Aquinas achievements delivered to your inbox

Legacy that lasts

At Aquinas Catholic High School, a longstanding graduation tradition recognizes the total number of years of Catholic education within an immediate family when their youngest or only child graduates. This meaningful acknowledgment highlights the shared commitment families have made to faith-based learning across generations.

This year, we will honor five graduating families, whose combined legacy averages nearly 50 years of Catholic education, including one family reaching an extraordinary 84 years. The Jason and Jessica Miller family was also featured in the Alumni newsletter for four generations totaling 137 years of Catholic education (read more on our website). Together, these numbers reflect a powerful legacy of Catholic education—one that continues to shape faith, character, and community across generations.



84 YEARS

Colby Miller
Jason & Jessica Miller Family



70 YEARS

Dillon Bohuslavsky
Jeff & Dawn Bohuslavsky Family



70 YEARS

Danica Bohuslavsky
Jeff & Dawn Bohuslavsky Family



50 YEARS

Jarin Thege
Chad & Darcy Thege Family



28 YEARS

Ainsley Wollmer
Tim & Lori Wollmer Family



22 YEARS

Seth Hlavac
Scott & Billie Jo Family



13 YEARS

Miranda Novacek
Rudy & Lauri Novacek Family



13 YEARS

Berenice Alarcon
Armando & Susan Alarcon Farmily

carried through Generations

almost **half of the Class of 2026** have at least one Aquinas alumni parent

FOURTH GENERATION Aquinas Graduates



Madison Vandenberg
Dave & Angie Family



Seth Hlavac
Scott & Billie Jo Family

12 Third Generation Graduates

2 Second Generation Graduates

Explore the Class of 2026 generational photos on our Facebook page. Scan the QR code to view the full gallery!