



THE BUZZ!

Saint Thomas the Apostle Catholic School | Dynamic Education Centered in Christ

WAY TO GO!

We did it! Thank you all for your kids and your partnership. We love you all!
Have a great summer. We will miss you and all of your kids. Thank you!

Odds and ends!

♥ **Med pick up:** If your child had medicine in the office, please pick it up next week. We will be in office next week from 9:30am until 12noon. If you don't pick it up next week, we are required to dispose of it.

♥ **SchoolAdmin coming soon!** Saint Thomas is moving to a new billing system. You will receive an email soon from SchoolAdmin, with information about creating an account and reviewing your school contract. Please contact Ryan Corcoran, Cammi Lawrence or Pauline Peterson if you have any issues or problems with SchoolAdmin. We anticipate a few bumps along the way as we transition to this new system. We appreciate your patience.

♥ **Gently-used school uniforms:** We are still accepting gently used school uniforms. You can drop them off at the school anytime. If you are still looking for school uniforms for your students, we will have the hand-me-downs at school during the summer. Call the school office (616-458-4228) and make arrangements to stop by and look through our stash.

♥ **Summer teacher letter:** Look for your student's teacher letter in August. You'll receive a letter in the mail from your child's homeroom teacher, with information about school supplies and start-of-the-school year info.

♥ **2022-2-23 School Calendar:** Here's next year's [Saint Thomas 2022-2023 school calendar](#).

Home & School news!

♥ **THANK YOU** to everyone who donated items for the Vesota and Herman families. Your generosity is very much appreciated and has blessed these families in many ways this summer.

♥ **Thank you to our exiting Home & School officers,** Jessica Poelma, Shawn Schuring, and Lisa Emerson, for all their service over the past several years! We are grateful for all you've done! See you in August! Happy Summer!

GRACEAC sports sign up!

♥ **2022-23 fall sports sign up:** Parents, if you know your child wants to play a fall sport, please register ASAP so that we can submit the team. We will be submitting all teams no later than August 1 so we do not incur a late fee with the league.

GRACEAC will offer tackle football, volleyball, boys soccer, cross country, and sideline cheer for next year's 5th-8th graders. Additionally, flag football and sideline cheer will be offered for next year's 3rd and 4th graders. The price for 3rd and 4th grade fall sports is \$95 per child, which parents can pay through TeamSnap during registration. These sports will (tentatively) start the week of August 8.

- [5th-8th GRACEAC sports sign up](#)
- [3rd-4th GRACEAC sports sign up](#)

♥ **Sports physicals:** Also if you know your child will be playing sports next year, please send me a permission slip and a current physical form dated after April 1, 2022...ASAP. The deadline for submitting physicals for fall sports is August 1. Both forms can be found on the Saint Thomas website under Athletics (www.stthomasgr.org/dynamic-education/athletics/).

Keep in mind!

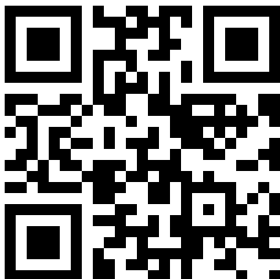
♥ **Host international students:** Each year, West Catholic High School welcomes dozens of international students to experience life and learning in the United States. West Catholic invites you to be part of this adventure by opening your heart and home to serve as a host family! West Catholic is working to place students from Spain (semester), Germany (3 weeks), Brazil (1 month) and Argentina (1 month). We also have a number of international students studying for the entire academic year. There may be a stipend available for some programs to help offset the cost of hosting. Please contact Leann Garrison (leanngarrison@grwestcatholic.org, 616-233-5938) with any questions or if you are interested in becoming a host family.

♥ **Summer camps:** West Catholic has scheduled summer camps for kids. To find opportunities for your kids, visit www.grwestcatholicprograms.org/athletics.cfm and www.grwestcatholicprograms.org/fine-arts-camp.cfm. For Catholic Central Camps, visit <https://www.catholiccentralcamps.org/>.

COVID notifications

♥ **New COVID positive cases this week:** 3

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