

St. Thomas the Apostle Catholic School

Nascantur in Admiratione
"Let Them Be Born in Wonder."

St. Thomas PreK-12 Summer School Newsletter

June 16th, 2025

School Mission Statement

St. Thomas the Apostle Catholic School exists to form disciples of Jesus Christ.

Educated in the Eucharistic culture and classical intellectual tradition of the Catholic
Church, students are led to encounters with the transcendental good, true, and beautiful. In
wonder, confidence, and virtue, students are prepared to engage our broken world for the
glory of God, the good of others, and for their own sanctification.



~ Upcoming Events ~

<u>June 9th-19th</u> **Summer Office Hours, 8-1 M-Th**

August 11th **School Office Re-opens**

August 18th **Teacher In-Service Begins**

August 22nd
Welcome Back Picnic, Burns Park, 4-7 p.m.

August 25th
First Day of School (full day for K-12)

August 26th Parent Association Meeting/Elections, parish hall, 7-8 p.m.



From the Headmaster

It is a wonderful thing to be able to title a newsletter with "PreK-12" for the first time!

I write from Ave Maria, Florida, now in the second week of my in-person course session for my Master's program. With a chance to pray and reflect and rejoice in the many blessings that God has given us, I am finding the time amidst my studies to refocus on Christ and once more submit all things to Him. I am already looking forward very much to our upcoming school year as an opportunity for Him to pour out His graces even more on our school community. I pray that you are having a blessed start to your summer and have been blessed with some peaceful "forgetfulness" in not having to think about school!

Later this summer, I will be sending out, for your review ahead of time, updated sections in the family handbook on technology and communication (along with the usual reminders and tweaks for dress code!). These two aspects will be highlighted at our back-to-school night on September 4th.

Hiring Update

I am pleased to announce Mrs. Jill Gaylord as our new young 5's teacher. Mrs. Gaylord has worked 5 years as a CGS (Catechesis of the Good Shepherd) catechetist

at Our Lady of Good Counsel and 7 years as the parish's CGS coordinator. Her wealth of experience in CGS fits very well with our philosophy of preschool education, and she is excited to translate her experience into a regular pre-K classroom. I am looking forward to seeing her impact on our young ones. I am very grateful to have a complete preschool team heading into the summer and excited to see the fruits of their work together this upcoming school year!

