

Saints' Next Steps ~ Recent College Acceptances

American University
 Arizona State University
 Assumption University
 Auburn University
 Babson College
 Bentley University
 Boston College
 Boston University
 Bryant University
 Bucknell University
 Catholic University of America
 Clemson University
 Coastal Carolina University
 Colby-Sawyer College
 College of the Holy Cross
 Columbia University
 Cornell University
 Elon University
 Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University
 Emerson College
 Endicott College
 Florida State University
 Fordham University
 Franciscan University of Steubenville
 Georgetown University
 Gonzaga University
 Great Bay Community College
 High Point University
 Indiana Tech
 Ithaca College
 James Madison University
 Johnson & Wales University
 Keene State College
 Maine Maritime Academy
 Marist College
 Massachusetts College of Art and Design

Massachusetts Maritime Academy
 Merrimack College
 Michigan State University
 Mississippi State University
 Mount St. Mary's University
 New York University
 Nichols College
 Northeastern University
 Norwich University
 Ohio State University
 Pennsylvania State University
 Plymouth State University
 Princeton University
 Providence College
 Quinnipiac University
 Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute
 Rochester Institute of Technology
 Sacred Heart University
 Saint Anselm College
 Saint Joseph's College of Maine
 Saint Mary's College of California
 Salve Regina University
 San Diego State University
 South Dakota School of Mines and Technology
 Southern New Hampshire University
 St. Lawrence University
 St. Thomas University
 Stevens Institute of Technology
 Stonehill College
 Texas Christian University

The University of Alabama
 The University of Tennessee
 United States Coast Guard Academy
 United States Merchant Marine Academy
 United States Naval Academy
 University College Dublin
 University of California, Irvine
 University of Connecticut
 University of Hawaii at Manoa
 University of Iowa
 University of Kentucky
 University of Maine
 University of Massachusetts, Amherst
 University of Michigan
 University of Mississippi
 University of Nebraska, Lincoln
 University of New Hampshire
 University of New Haven
 University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill
 University of Notre Dame
 University of Oregon
 University of Pittsburgh
 University of Rhode Island
 Villanova University
 Virginia Military Institute
 Washington University in St. Louis
 Wentworth Institute of Technology
 West Virginia University
 Worcester Polytechnic Institute
 Xavier University



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 HIGH SCHOOL

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Class of 2024 Plans

Four-Year College/University: 95%
 Two-Year College/University: 1%
 Post Grad Year: 2%
 Gap Year: 2%



**Administration
 Admission
 School Counseling**

Paul C. Marquis, B.S.
 President

Michael Orlando, Ed.D.
 Principal

**Director of Admission:
 Steve Morrison, B.A.**

**Director of Advancement:
 Sarah McCluskey, J.D.**

**Director of Athletics:
 David Morissette, M.S.**

**Director of Campus Ministry:
 Wesley Becklo, B.A.**

**Director of School Counseling
 and Student Services:
 Julie Schneider, Ph.D.**

**Communications and
 Marketing Coordinator:
 McKenzie McGrath, B.S.**

**Comptroller:
 Sarah Lescault, B.S.**

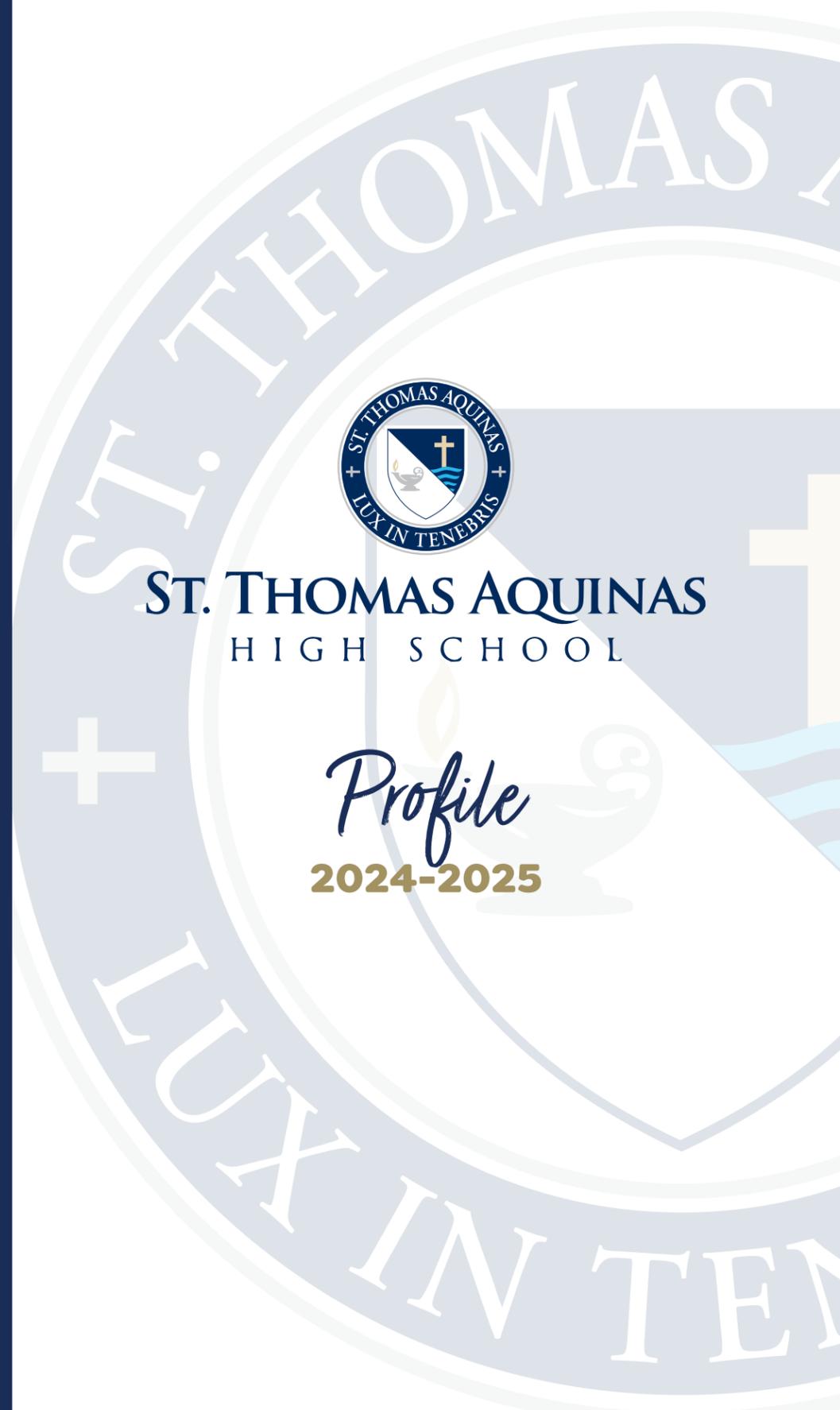
**Manager of Administrative
 Services:
 Stephanie Bolduc, B.A.**

**School Counselor:
 Leah DiTommaso, B.A.**

**School Counselor:
 Heather Soldner, M.A.**

**Center for Academic
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Profile
2024-2025

About St. Thomas Aquinas

Founded in 1960, St. Thomas Aquinas is a Catholic, secondary, coeducational high school located in the Seacoast of New Hampshire operating under the guidance of a Board of Trustees and the Diocese of Manchester. St. Thomas Aquinas provides an intensive college preparatory education. The New England Association of Schools and Colleges and the State of New Hampshire accredit the school.

Mission

St. Thomas Aquinas High School is a caring community, transforming the lives of students through a rigorous Catholic education, guided by faith and reason, and the light of the Gospel—developing their unique gifts, strengthening their personal faith and integrity, and fostering within them a commitment to justice, service, and moral leadership.

The Community

STA attracts students from over 55 cities and towns across three states (NH, ME, and MA) as well as international students from Chile, China, Germany, and India. The school community also welcomes students from diverse religious, social, and academic backgrounds. Our average class size is 14.9 students.

Winterterm

Winterterm is a week long experiential learning program in early March that provides a departure from the traditional curriculum. Students select from a variety of experiences, both in and out of the classroom, that provide meaningful and enriching educational experiences. This gives students the chance to widen their learning horizons, step outside of the traditional instructional atmosphere, and pursue an area that interests them intellectually.

This program provides students a variety of learning opportunities, the kind of which are generally found only on college campuses or as part of international study. We invite students to challenge their mind, support their passion, and transform their perception of learning so that they may fully embrace what promises to be a remarkable educational experience.

Curriculum and Graduation Requirements

Our program of studies offers students a wide variety of options that explore various academic disciplines. STA's dedicated faculty share their content expertise and innovative teaching and learning practices with all students; customizing the learning experience to meet students where they are on their learning journey.

While the main focus is college preparatory, St. Thomas Aquinas offers Honors and Advanced Placement courses for students who demonstrate superior academic ability and motivation. All students enrolled in AP courses must sit for the exam. Calculus Honors and AP English 12 are offered as dual enrollment courses. All students who successfully complete dual enrollment coursework earn three college credits.

Graduation Requirements

Students in the Classes of 2025, 2026, and 2027 are required to enroll in a total of six credits per year. Students in the Class of 2028 are required to enroll in a total of 6.5 credits per year.

Classes of 2025, 2026, 2027 = 24 credits to graduate
Class of 2028 = 26 credits to graduate

Community Service Required Hours

While students must fulfill a minimum community service hour requirement, many significantly surpass this expectation.

- Freshman Year: 10 Hours
- Sophomore Year: 15 Hours
- Junior Year: 20 Hours
- Senior Year: 25 Hours

Advanced Placement Courses

- Biology
- Chemistry
- Environmental Science
- Physics C
- Physics I
- United States History
- United States Government & Politics
- English Language and Composition
- English Literature and Composition
- Calculus AB
- Calculus BC/Multivariable
- Statistics
- Psychology
- French
- Spanish Language and Culture

Honors Courses

English (American Literature, English 9, English 10, The Search for Self)

Mathematics (Algebra I, Algebra II, Geometry, Precalculus, Calculus)

Science (Advanced Genetics and Biotechnology, Biology, Chemistry, Physics, STEM)

Social Studies (Economics, Introduction to Law, United States History, Western Civilization)

Visual Arts (Studio Art)

World Language (French III/IV/V, Spanish II/III/IV/V)

2024-2025
Program of Studies



The Grading System

Grade Point Average (GPA) is based on the weighted average of final letter grades. We operate on a 4.00 grading scale. Honors courses receive a 0.5-point bonus, and Advanced Placement courses receive a 1.0-point bonus. All grades are included in the average except for art and music performance classes, technology design courses, community service, and Winterterm. The weighted GPA and unweighted GPA appear on the student's transcript, along with the final grade in each course.

The Grading System

A+	98-100	(4.00)	B	83-86	(3.00)	C-	70-72	(1.67)
A	93-97	(4.00)	B-	80-82	(2.67)	D+	67-69	(1.33)
A-	90-92	(3.67)	C+	77-79	(2.33)	D	65-66	(1.00)
B+	87-89	(3.33)	C	73-76	(2.00)	F	Below	

Honor Roll

The intent of the Honor Roll is to recognize students who pursue excellence in the academic program in which they are enrolled. Each quarter, the school will issue an Honor Roll of students meeting the following criteria:

- President's List – All quarter grades A or higher or 4.0 GPA (unweighted)
- High Honors – All quarter grades B+ or higher or 3.67 GPA (unweighted)
- Honors – All quarter grades B or higher or 3.33 GPA (unweighted).

Tuition and Financial Assistance

Standard Tuition: \$18,644

Enrollment Fee: \$425

Additional Costs: Uniform, laptop, school supplies, calculator, AP exams & SAT costs, parking fees, student activities such as Winterterm and other events.

Financial Assistance

The average financial assistance awarded to families is approximately \$7,344 per student for/during the 2024-25 school year.

Scholarships

Each year, several scholarships are offered to students which helps defray the cost of tuition. During the 2023-24 school year, over \$58,000 in scholarships was awarded to over 50 students. Students are encouraged to apply for all scholarships for which they meet the criteria.

Payment Plans

STA families have four options for paying tuition: a single payment, a semi-annual payment, a 10-month payment plan, and a 12-month payment plan.