

AQUINAS HIGH SCHOOL



Our students enjoyed a Back to School Barbecue hosted by the House Leaders at Brynwood. A wonderful time was had by all!

News and Events- August 12th-16th, 2019

Dear Irish Families,

As we begin a new school year, we are excited about all things AQUINAS. Long overdue facilities upgrades, such as all new windows, are improving the aesthetics. Generous benefactors have enabled us to begin replacing the gym floor and bleachers, in addition to donating the 2.3 acre parcel of land adjacent to the front driveway. Our academics are strong, as is evidenced by 2019 AP scores (pass rate 75%) and recent college acceptances. Our graduates remark time and again that they are well-prepared for college work when they leave here.

This year we welcome a freshman class of 71 from 15 feeder schools. In addition, we have 6 transfer students, 4 new teachers, a full-time Priest, a full-time Athletic Director, and several fresh faces on our coaching staff. More than 90% of our students are typically active in sports, clubs, and after school activities, and all of this takes place in an environment that values service to others and teaches students during this critical time in their lives that there is a far better alternative to what the secular world is offering. My hope is that our Catholic, Christian world-view permeates all that we do here.

On Thursday at 8:45, we will have our first, all-school Mass in honor of the

Solemnity of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary, which commemorates the sinless soul and incorrupt body of the Virgin Mary being taken into the presence of God. Parents are welcome to join us for Mass, which will be followed by academic awards for the 2018-19 school year.

I am so proud of the upperclassmen who have stepped up in leadership roles this summer whether it is in service, volleyball, cheer, football, basketball, or the House System. Please come out and support the Fightin' Irish this week. Volleyball girls begin their season Wednesday at Fox Creek and Thursday at Evans (JV and V). Football/cheer talent will be on display Friday night as we scrimmage Banks County!

It's a great time to be Irish!

Mrs. Maureen Lewis

Principal

This Week

Monday, August 12th

First Day of School! First Bell rings at 7:50!

Tuesday, August 13th

Mass at 7:25 a.m.

Team Pictures for Fall Sports- 3:00 on the football field
Cheerleaders, Shotgun, Volleyball, Cross Country AND Football Seniors (all other football players already have had their pictures taken)
Shotgun Team Meeting in Cafeteria 3:45

Wednesday, August 14th

Varsity Volleyball at Fox Creek 4:00

Shotgun Parent Meeting in Media Center 6:00

Thursday, August 15th

Mass at 7:25 a.m.

8:45 Mass in the Cafeteria to be followed by
Summa Awards and 2018-19 Honors Awards

Wear Mass uniform (no tennis shoes)

JV and Varsity Volleyball at Evans Tri-Match vs. Evans & Westside 5:00

Friday, August 16th

Wear House t-shirts and uniform bottoms

Fightin' Irish Football Scrimmage vs. Banks County at Home at 7:30

Team and Individual Pictures for Fall Sports

Scott Webster will be here Tuesday, August 13th at 3:00 to take team pictures for all fall sports. He can also take individual pictures of your fall athlete. You

can print and send in this [FORM](#) with a check written to Scott Webster. All Senior athletes will have their individual picture taken that day and you will have the option of purchasing a Senior Banner from FastSigns for \$65. The banners hang at the football stadium or in the gym for the season. It's a tradition that our parents have loved for years.

Football Pictures

The football players already had their team and individual pictures taken. Those packets are ready for pick up in the front office. We do need Senior football players dressed and ready to get their picture taken with all of the other fall Senior athletes for the front cover of the Boosters Sports Program.

Welcome Freshman and Transfer Students

Our House leaders want all of our new students to feel welcome here at Aquinas. They spent Sunday afternoon at the school putting the students' house shirts in their lockers and house magnets on their lockers! Students, if you need to swap your t-shirt for a different size, see Mrs. Hagler in the front office.



Ordering Lunches

Lunch must be ordered by 9:00 a.m. the day before. Click [HERE](#) to order.

2019 Football Schedule

Click [HERE](#) to get this year's football schedule.

2019-20 Boosters Club Application

Click [HERE](#) for the application to join the Boosters Club for this year. All Boosters packets can be picked up at the front gate or the tailgating gate at the game Friday.

2019-20 School Calendar

Click [HERE](#) to see this year's school calendar. Remember the first bell rings at 7:50!

Shotgun Team News



Junior Sydney Pittman finished second place at the 2019 Scholastic Clay Target National Championships held at the Cardinal Shooting Center in Marengo, Ohio. She competed against more than 300 shooters from across the country. Congratulations, Sydney! Read an Augusta Chronicle article about Sydney's success [HERE](#).

About Us

The mission of Aquinas High School is "developing Christian leaders" through an excellent Catholic secondary education. The school emphasizes moral/ethical standards and strives for a Christian integration of spirit, mind, and body in each student. Aquinas seeks to foster respect for all persons, to encourage responsibility in each individual, and to promote Christian service among its students.

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