



# AQUINAS HIGH SCHOOL

## SCHOOL PROFILE 2018-2019

1920 Highland Avenue  
 Augusta, GA 30904  
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**Maureen Lewis '84**  
 Principal

**Shannon Williams**  
 Assistant Principal

**Fr. Brian O'Shaughnessy**  
 School Chaplain

**Tara Garrison '90**  
 Guidance Counselor

**Mary Davis '87**  
 Athletic Director

**Bari House**  
 Business Manager

**Tim Przybysz**  
 Admissions Director

### MEMBERSHIPS:

SACA, NCEA, AAUSA, GHSA,  
 GISA

**ENROLLMENT: 230**  
 58% male, 42% female  
 80% Catholic  
 7% African-American  
 12% other minority

Aquinas is accredited by  
 AdvancEd.

### MISSION

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.

Founded in 1957, Aquinas High School is a Catholic, college-prep secondary school in Augusta, GA.

**THE FACULTY AND STAFF** is made up of the Principal, Assistant Principal, School Chaplain, 22 Teachers, Guidance Counselor, Business Manager, Admissions Director, 2 Secretaries, Facilities Director, and Campus Ministry Director. Of these, 55% hold advanced degrees.

### GRADING SCALE

A+ = 95-105	C+ = 75-79
A = 90-94	C = 70-74
B+ = 85-89	F = 69 or below
B = 80-84	INC = Incomplete

Honors, Pre-AP, and AP courses are weighted.

### CURRICULUM

All Aquinas students complete a minimum of 24 courses for graduation.

Religion - 4  
 English - 4  
 Social Studies - 3 (Class of 2022 - 4)  
 Science - 4  
 Foreign Language - 2  
 Fine Arts, Computer or additional  
 Foreign Language - 1  
 PE/Health - 1  
 Elective - 1 (Class of 2022 - 0)  
 Additional requirements include 5 works  
 of mercy each year.

### CLASS OF 2018 GRADE DISTRIBUTION

Cumulative weighted GPAs through end of junior year.

GPA	Number	% of Class
4.00+	21	34
3.5-3.99	18	30
3.0-3.49	16	26
2.99	6	10

### SPORTS AND CLUBS

Aquinas participates in Georgia High School Association sports including baseball, basketball, cheerleading, cross-country, football, golf, rifle, soccer, swimming, tennis, track, and volleyball. We also offer clay target, shotgun, and skeet shooting through GISA.

Clubs offered include Campus Ministry, Drama, French Club, Gaming Club, Model UN, National Honor Society, Quiz Bowl, and Science Olympiad.

### ADVANCED PLACEMENT OFFERINGS

In addition to 13 Honors courses, the following Advanced Placement courses are available to students:

Biology\*  
 Calculus AB  
 Chemistry  
 Computer Science A\*  
 Computer Science Principles\*  
 English Language and Composition  
 English Literature and Composition\*  
 Environmental Science  
 Human Geography  
 Physics 1  
 Physics C Mechanics  
 Psychology\*  
 Spanish Language and Culture  
 Statistics\*  
 US History  
 World History

\*Indicates course not offered every year.

In May 2018, 87 Students took 141 AP exams. AP exams were given for Biology, Calculus AB, Statistics, English Language and Composition, English Literature and Composition, United States History, Spanish Language and Culture, Environmental Science, Chemistry, Human Geography, World History, Physics C Mechanics, and Computer Science Principles.

Students must score a 3 or higher to pass their exam and potentially receive college credit. **Twenty-nine Aquinas students earned AP scholar recognition.**

The overall AP pass rate for Aquinas students was 79%.