St. Thomas & St. Timothy School



PEEK AT THE WEEK

Colleen DiSanto

Theodore Isaac Rubin remarked: "Kindness is more important than wisdom, and the recognition of this is the beginning of wisdom." Yet, there are some of us too busy with our developing projects and ascending careers to look to the work of kindness and the world of love. We see so often the world only as an opportunity for mastering all of the forces for growth other than those forces growing out of our deepest selves. Chardin said: "Some day, after we have mastered the winds, the waves, the tides, and gravity, we shall harness the energies of love. Then, for the second time in the history of the world, the human race will have discovered fire."

Prayers for the Classroom, The Liturgical Press

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Upcoming Calendar Events

To view our school calendar and upcoming events, please click bere.

- 3/3 Open House at St. Thomas Campus, 11:30am
- 3/4 End of the Second Trimester
- 3/6 HSA meeting at St. Thomas Campus, 8:30am
- 3/8 Bake Sale at both campuses
- 3/8 Mother/ Son Night at St. Timothy Campus, 6:00pm
- 3/15 Report Card Accessible
- 3/15 Second Grade Holy Communion Retreat
- 3/19 St. Timothy Honors Recognition Ceremony, 8:15am
- 3/21 Parent/Teacher Conferences: Early Dismissal, No Aftercare, No Lunch
 - St. Timothy Campus: 11:45
 - St. Thomas Campus: Pre-K -11:50, K-5 12:00
- 3/22 No School, OEEC Faith Formation
- 3/24 Open House at St. Timothy Campus, 11:00am

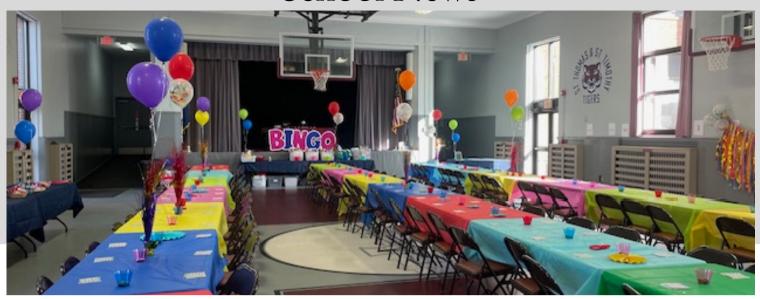
Classroom Spotlight

Ms. Dander's eighth-grade class dove into the excitement of electromagnets during their science class. Students huddled around the table as they watched paper clips fly from one end of the table to the other.





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Reminders

5th Grade & 8th Grade Yearbook Ads: Reminder to all 5th & 8th grade families that if you would like to place an ad in the yearbook for your student, those need to be submitted to Kerry Smith at admissions@stastmschool.org no later than Friday, March 8th.

Calendar Changes

Please see the following calendar changes below and contact the Main Offices with any questions:

- Final Exams for Grades 6 and 7: June 3-June 5
- 5th Grade Promotion: June 7 at 10:00am
- Kindergarten Promotion: June 10 at 10:00am (early dismissal for all grade)
- Pre-K Promotion: June 11 at 9:30am (early dismissal for all grades)
- Official last day of school: June 11 (early dismissal for all grades)

2024-2025 School Year

2024-2025 Tuition Contracts: We have begun our open enrollment process. If you plan on having your child(ren) return for the 2024-2025 school year, please return your Tuition Contract and \$300/deposit per student as soon as possible. At this point we are welcoming new students into our community. Seats are filling up quickly, so please be sure to return your signed contract and deposit to secure your child(ren)'s seat(s) for the coming school year.

Applying for Financial Aid for the 2024-2025 School Year: You may begin applying for financial aid for the 2024-2025 school year now. Please click here to start the process. Our school code is 13753. Please contact Michelle Curley (business_manager@stastmschool.org) with any questions.

Foundation for the Advancement of Catholic Schools (FACS): Reminder - all applications must be completed and submitted to the school office by Monday, March 4th. The Scholarship Application, Guidelines and Criteria for each of the 2024-2025 scholarships is available on our website. Please click here to begin your review. Please indicate the scholarship(s) you are applying for on page 5 of your application.



Student Ambassadors are busy at work, prepping for the upcoming Open House!

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2024-2025 School Year Continued

Children's Educational Opportunity Foundation of Connecticut (CEO): Updated message from CEO

We are so excited to share with you a new change in our scholarship program for the 2024-25 school year. To help reach more children in need of educational opportunities, we will be expanding the years for new students to apply from kindergarten through 6th grade. Previously, returning students could apply through 8th grade, while new students applying for the first time could only apply through 5th grade. Now, new parents applying with us for the first time can apply for students that will be in 6th grade in the upcoming school year. We trust that this expansion of our program will help more of your families attain a quality education for their children. For more information about our scholarship and to apply online, please visit our website here: CEO Foundation of Connecticut - How to Apply (ceoct.org).

Home and School Association

Save the Date - Mother/Son Game Night, March 8: Join us for a fun and active evening of games for mothers (or mother figures) and sons! We are looking for a co-chairperson and volunteers to make sure everyone has a great time. Please contact Ray Soto (bestgutters@yahoo.com) if you are interested in helping out with this event. The time has changed to 6:00 to 7:30.

<u>Click here to RSVP, volunteer, or donate for Mother/Son Game Night.</u>

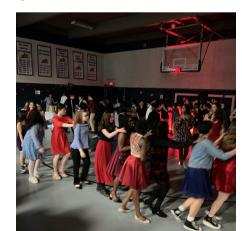
Thank you to Octavia Rodney and Ray Soto for co-chairing!

Save the Date - STA Cultural Night, April 18: We are looking for musicians, dancers, artists, cooks, and/or speakers to share their culture with the school community. Please contact Shawn Harrell (sharrell007@yahoo.com) if you are interested in sharing at this event.

Thank you to our HSA for continuing to facilitate fun filled events for both of our campuses! BINGO last week was a huge highlight, as well as Catholic Schools Week and the Father-Daughter Dance. We appreciate your hard work and excitement in celebrating our great school!

From the Nurse

Spring is a good time to remove expired and unneeded medications from our homes. National Drug Take-Back Day is April 27, 2024. The following events will take place at the West Hartford Town Hall, 50 South Main Street, from 10:00 am to 2:00 pm: Drug Take-Back, The Hidden in Plain Sight Van, and Car Seat Safety Demonstrations. These events are provided through a partnership of the West Hartford-Bloomfield Health District, West Hartford Prevention Partnership and the WHPD.



Valentine's Day Dance for our St.
Timothy students was a great
success! The music was lively, the
snacks were delicious, and the
dance floor was never empty!
Special thanks to our parents for all
their contributions and to Mrs.
Zayaz, Ms. Lopez and Mrs. Saint
Jacques for chaperoning!

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Community

St. Thomas Campus cafeteria is in need of paper towels. We would greatly appreciate any paper towel donation you can offer. Every donation is a huge help. Thank you in advance for your continued support.

St. Timothy Campus is in need of additional Clorox wipes. Every donation is a huge help. Thank you in advance for your continued support.

St. Thomas & St. Timothy School continues to receive new applications for Pre-Kindergarten through Grade 8. The process is moving into the next phase of enrollment with the acceptance of new families in all grades. Please contact our admissions office for more information at admissions@stastmschool.org.

Volunteers Needed for Spring Open Houses: Enrollment season is upon us and we are so excited to continue welcoming new families to St. Thomas & St. Timothy School. We are looking for parent ambassadors to help with our upcoming WEEKEND Open Houses on both campuses. Please contact our admissions office at admissions@stastmschool.org as soon as possible if you are interested.

- Sunday, March 3, 2024 from 11:00 am-2:00 pm at St. Thomas Campus
- Sunday, March 24, 2024 from 10:30 am-1:30 pm at St. Timothy Middle School Campus

Basketball Season is in full swing!

Basketball season is in full swing on both campuses. The St. Timothy Varsity teams recently celebrated their "Senior Night" which was a testament to the hard work and dedication of the players. It was a special night to honor the 8th grade students for their commitment and leadership both on and off the court, and our very own Tiger Mascot even showed up to congratulate the players! As the teams move forward in the season, let's continue to show our support and cheer them on as they continue their success. Best of luck to all our teams as they continue this season! Go Tigers!

Help us to showcase our great school!

If any family has photos from the recent events on either campus (i.e. basketball games, Father-Daughter Dance, Bingo, Valentines Dance, and more) please share them with Kerry Smith at admissions@stastmschool.org to feature on our Facebook and Instagram!



Our Tiger Mascot came to celebrate "Senior Night" with our 8th grade student athletes.

Go Tigers!