St. Thomas & St. Timothy School



PEEK AT THE WEEK

Colleen DiSanto

Loving God, help us to be ready to celebrate the great Easter mystery of Jesus' resurrection. Help us in our work to practice virtuous acts. This will make our love grow each day as we come nearer to the feast when Jesus rises from the dead and brings hope and salvation to all of us. Amen.

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Upcoming Calendar Events

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

- 3/8 Bake Sale at both campuses
- 3/8 Mother/ Son Game Night at St. Timothy Campus, 6:00pm
- 3/15 Report Cards Accessible
- 3/15 Second Grade Holy Communion Retreat
- 3/18 Clubs Sign Up Begins at 9:00am
- 3/19 St. Timothy Honors Recognition Ceremony, 8:15am
- 3/21 Parent/Teacher Conferences, Early Dismissal (STM 11:45am, Pre-kK
- -11:50am, K-5 12:00pm), No Aftercare, No Lunch
- 3/21 Gently Used Uniform Sale at St. Thomas Campus, 11:30am 1:00pm
- 3/22 No School, OEEC Faith Formation
- 3/24 Open House at St. Timothy Campus, 11:00am
- 3/28 Holy Thursday, Early Dismissal (STM-11:45am, Pre-K 11:50am, K-5 -
- 12:00pm), No Aftercare, No Lunch
- 3/29 No School Good Friday

Classroom Spotlight

Exploring Space in PreK! In our Pre-K4 class, students have a space station set up in the dramatic play area. Different learning centers are focusing on a space theme, featuring planet letters, rocket numbers, and shadow studies using flashlights. They are discovering how Jesus encourages them to shine brightly like the sun, all the while understanding that the sun is the primary light source creating shadows on earth.



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Reminders

5th Grade & 8th Grade Yearbook Ads Due Tomorrow: 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 tomorrow, Friday, March 8th.

Session 4 Clubs will begin March 25th: Club sign-up will begin March 18th at 9:00am and end on March 21st at 11:00am for both campuses. Clubs will meet immediately after school from 2:45 - 3:45 pm on their scheduled day. The cost for each club will be billed through Blackbaud Tuition Management System. A few STA clubs are Beads and Books, Busy Builders, Legos and Literature, Games Galore, and Chess and Checkers, Italian Club and Basketball Basics. Stay tuned for more Clubs.

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 5-June 7
- 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

If you intend to have your child(ren) attend for the 2024-2025 school year, kindly send back the Tuition Contract and a \$300 deposit as soon as possible. We are currently accepting new students into our school community. With seats filling up fast, ensure to return the signed contract and deposit to reserve your child(ren)'s spot(s) for the upcoming 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 <u>click here</u> to start the process. Our school code is 13753. Please contact Michelle Curley (<u>business_manager@stastmschool.org</u>) with any questions.

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Students work on creating DNA chain links in Ms. Dander's science class.

2024-2025 School Year Continued

Volunteers Needed for Spring Open Houses: We are looking for parent ambassadors to help with our upcoming Weekend Open House. Please contact our admissions office at admissions@stastmschool.org as soon as possible if you are interested.

• Sunday, March 24, 2024 at 11:00 at St. Timothy Middle School Campus

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

See you Tomorrow for 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. Click here to RSVP, volunteer, or donate for Mother/Son Game Night. 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.



7th Grade students learn about DNA mutations by creating their own with chain links to understand how genetic variations affect traits.

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Students collaborate during a math study group, run by students!

Community

St. Thomas Parent-Teacher Conferences: Parent-teacher conferences will be held on Thursday, March 21st Please note this is an early dismissal day (11:50 Pre-K and 12:00pm K-5). There will be no Aftercare and no lunch that day. The conferences are Optional. You will receive an email by the end of the week from your homeroom teacher with a link to sign up for a time slot. Conference slots will begin at 12:30pm and will be 15 minutes each. Conferences will end at 3:30pm.

St. Timothy Parent-Teacher Conferences: Parent-teacher conferences will take place on Thursday, March 21st. Please note that this is an early dismissal day (11:45AM). There will be no lunch or Aftercare on that day.

• There are limited spots available. We are limiting conferences to ONE TEACHER per family for students who are struggling or whose grade has dropped significantly since the first trimester. If there is not a space available, please reach out to your child's teacher via email. These conferences are completely OPTIONAL. If you are content with your child's grades, there is no need to schedule a conference. If you have a simple question that can be answered via email, please feel free to send an email in lieu of a formal conference. Conferences will run from 12:30 - 3:30PM. CLICK HERE TO SIGN UP.

St. Timothy Seeing Bye Bye Birdie at Northwest Catholic High School: On Thursday, March 21st, St. Timothy students have been invited to Northwest Catholic's production of Bye Bye Birdie. <u>Please CLICK HERE to complete the permission slip.</u>

Teen Wellness Fair: West Hartford Community of Concern is hosting a Free Teen Wellness Fair on Saturday, March 23rd from 1-4PM at Hall High School. See attached FLYER.

Spring Sport Interest Form: Please complete the following form if you are interested in playing a Spring sport. Our Spring sports are baseball and softball. This form is intended to gather information on initial interest to see if we have enough athletes to field teams. <u>Click Here</u>. Separate emails have gone out regarding Girl's Lacrosse which will also be happening this spring.

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!