

Purchase your tickets
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Aquinas Gala

Saturday, April 29 at 6 pm
Old Hickory Golf Club

*The Feast of
St. Catherine of Sienna*

Black and White Attire

Early ticket sales are open now!
aquinastars.org/presale

Buy now—this event is
predicted to sell out!

St. Thomas Aquinas Regional School
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Woodbridge, VA 22191

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Following the example of St. Thomas Aquinas, patron Saint of Catholic schools, our mission is to teach Faith and Reason: that all truth comes from God and academic excellence finds its purpose in Him.

New this year! All our PreK through 2nd grade students are listening to God and learning about Him hands-on in our Atrium for Catechesis of the Good Shepherd (CGS).



FAITH & REASON



St. Thomas Aquinas Regional School
2022 Annual Appeal



New this year! Aquinas invested \$20,000 in hands-on Foss materials for grades 6 through 8 to use in our Science Lab.



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Dear Families and Friends of Aquinas,

The new school year is off to an exciting start: not just “finally back to normal,” but “**better than ever before**”! Along with forming students in *faith* in our new atrium and in *reason* with new hands-on science materials, we have a surge of volunteerism and new initiatives from our newly restructured and newly elected PTO and an inspired cadre of new teachers bringing new life to the school. It is the Year of Hope in our virtue program, in which we focus on growing in trust in God’s loving plan. Coinciding with the National Eucharistic Revival and the Diocese of Arlington Eucharistic year of preparation for the 50th anniversary of the diocese, our school theme is *Adoro Te Devote* (Humbly, I adore You),

the hymn written by St. Thomas Aquinas to Jesus in the Eucharist. Along with singing a verse of this hymn each Thursday morning during school announcements, we are excited to improve our worship in song at school Masses, singing classic hymns supported by the organ, praise music with piano accompaniment after Communion, and learning a polyphony Mass setting to sing the parts of the Mass. It is a beautiful year at Aquinas! Our enrollment is up, and we ask your support in rebuilding our enrollment by letting your family, friends, and fellow parishioners know what a treasure we have in Aquinas and what a blessing it could be for their children.

Thank you for your strong support of last year’s Annual Appeal, which provided us with funds toward facilities repairs. This year, I ask that you consider supporting Tuition Assistance through a gift to our Annual Appeal. A couple years ago, the Aquinas Advisory Council collaborated to redesign the tuition structure for the school, making tuition match our cost-per-student. At the same time, our three supporting parishes made a lasting commitment to provide financial support for each of their parishioners attending Aquinas, to offset the parishioner discount offered by the school. In spite of the effects of the pandemic upon enrollment, adjustments to staffing have kept our budget balanced and our tuition plan on schedule. This allows me the opportunity to ask your help in supporting **families in need of financial assistance**, to make an Aquinas education accessible for every family who desires our mission for their children.

This year, about one-third of our families are receiving tuition assistance, after applying and qualifying through FACTS Grant and Aid, a third-party evaluation of financial need. About \$495,000 in assistance has been awarded to families this year. We receive strong support from the diocese to make this possible. The diocesan Scholarship Foundation (funded by the Virginia Tax Credit Program) provides about \$165,000 to our students. Diocesan grants and scholarships provide another \$120,000. Several Aquinas benefactors sponsor annual scholarships, totaling about \$23,000. The remaining \$187,000 is built into our budget, to be funded by Aquinas. My request to you this year is to help us offset this amount, to keep Aquinas accessible to any family who desires our mission.

Consider joining other benefactors in setting up an annual scholarship in honor of a family member or favorite Saint by contacting our Development Specialist, Pam Howser, at phowser@aquinastars.org or consider making a one-time gift to this year’s annual appeal:

- **Online:** set up a one-time or recurring donation at: aquinastars.org/give
- **Cash or Check:** mail to STARS, 13750 Mary’s Way, Woodbridge, VA 22191

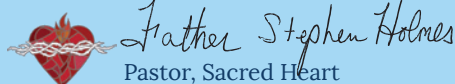
Thank you for your strong support through prayer and financial giving! Please know of my prayers for you and your families, and of the regular prayers of our students for our benefactors, especially at our weekly school Mass.

In Saint Thomas Aquinas,

Sister Mary Sheila, O.P.
Principal

Message from our Pastors

Aquinas is a regional school supported by each of our three parishes. As your Pastors we ask that you prayerfully consider this Annual Appeal request and discern how you may best support our school. Thank you!



Donor Recognition

Every donation makes a difference and while we don't have room to name everyone, please know that your continued support is greatly appreciated.

\$5,000 or more

Applied Computing Technology

Mr. Giandoni

Mr. and Mrs. Higgins

Mr. and Mrs. Eric Mansfield

\$2500-4999

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Mrs. Carey

Mr. Leardi

Ms. Masterson

Mr. and Mrs. Moore

\$1000-2499

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Mr. and Mrs. Joshua Anderson

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Mr. and Mrs. Spadafore

Mr. and Mrs. Stauffer

Mr. and Mrs. Turch

Mr. and Mrs. Ward

Mr. and Mrs. Wheeler

2022 Gala Results

Raised more than \$30,000!

These winning auction bids exceeded the item's market value by more than \$250

Mr. and Mrs. Vindman
Our Lady of Angels Catholic Church

Mr. and Mrs. Stauffer

Mr. and Mrs. Brian McNulty

Mr. and Mrs. Ward

Mr. and Mrs. Bamonte

Mr. and Mrs. Kirby

Mr. and Mrs. Mihalik

Mr. and Mrs. Fahey

Generous donors that gave items valued at \$250+

Mr. and Mrs. Fristoe

Smoothie King

The Bee Store

BTS

Fairfax Foods

Mr. and Mrs. Wolstenholme

Flynn and O'Hara

Potomac Shores Golf Club

Maria Grandel

The following businesses sponsored our Gala:

Summa (3,000+): Renova Smiles

Corpus Christi (\$2,000-2,000): Lustine Toyota

Faith & Reason (\$1,000-1,999) Koler Collision Center

Parish Support: Our parishes gave **\$1,035** for each child attending Aquinas from their parish to fund the parishioner discount.

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students

Our Lady of Angels

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students

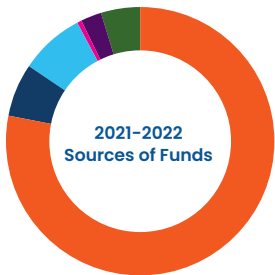
St. Elizabeth Ann Seton

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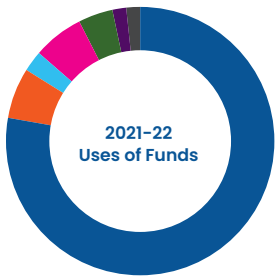
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Sacred Heart

2021-22 Ordinary Results



- School Tuition Related Income **2,828,993**
- Student Services Income **231,686**
- Parish Investment in School **278,040**
- Unrestricted Income **20,784**
- Restricted Income **93,675**
- Development/Fundraising Income **163,638**



- Salary & Benefits **2,587,945**
- Instructional Expense **203,570**
- Student Services Expense **77,295**
- Facilities and Utilities **205,957**
- Technology Expense **133,345**
- Administrative and Office Expense **55,818**
- Development/Fundraising Expense **53,700**

Extraordinary Income Highlights:

Emergency Assistance for Non-public Schools = \$579,193

Reimbursements for network infrastructure, technology devices, and COVID cleaning supplies exceeded current year outlays by \$124,000.