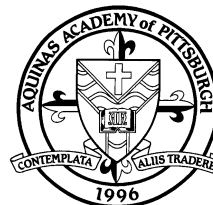


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PROFILE 2015-2016

School and Community: Aquinas Academy is an independent, private school in the Catholic tradition for boys and girls in preschool through grade twelve. The Academy was founded in 1996 for the purpose of offering a rigorous classical curriculum covering all the major areas of the liberal arts in an intensive college preparatory program. The campus is located in a residential suburb of Pittsburgh, and is situated on 13 acres. In addition to a new 22,000 square foot high school with 11 classrooms, 2 science labs, and 3 rooms for the arts which opened last year, the campus includes a lower school building, middle school building, gymnasium, chapel, and soccer field.

Enrollment: 331 total, 106 in the High School. The student body is largely Roman Catholic, but from economically diverse homes. Students commute to Aquinas Academy from 13 school districts.

Admission: Students are admitted to Aquinas Academy on the basis of their successful performance on an entrance examination. Given the nature of the curriculum, students are not usually admitted after the 10th grade; however exceptions are possible for those who demonstrate sufficient aptitude. The Academy welcomes qualified applicants of all religions, races, creeds, and national and ethnic origins.

Faculty: 33 Full Time/9 Part Time

Administration: Mrs. Leslie Mitros, *Head of School*
 Mr. Michael Burchill, *Assistant Head of School*
 Mrs. Wendy Maglio, *Academic Dean*
 Mr. Joseph Austin, *Dean of Students*
 Mr. Juan Mata, *Director of Admissions and Student Affairs*
 Mrs. Melaine Kachmar, *Lower School Director*
 Mr. Nicholas Salinas, *Middle School Director*
 Mr. Michael Flynn, *High School Co-Director*
 Mr. Richard Meland, *High School Co-Director*

Graduation Requirements: All students must complete the following courses for graduation. Courses in parentheses are elective.

<u>ENGLISH</u>	<u>SCIENCE</u>	<u>FOREIGN LANGUAGE</u>	<u>RELIGION</u>
Ancient Medieval Literature	Biology	Latin I, II, (III), (IV)*	Sacraments
English Literature	Chemistry	(V), (VI – Vergil)	Morality
American Literature	Physics	Spanish or French I, II,	Apologetics
World Literature (AP)	(AP Physics Level C)	(III), (IV)	Catechism
(Journalism)	(Anatomy & Physiology)	(Ancient Greek)	
		*A 3rd year of Latin, Spanish or French is required.	
<u>MATHEMATICS</u>	<u>HISTORY</u>	<u>ART/PHILOSOPHY</u>	<u>COMPUTER SCIENCE</u>
Algebra I, II	Ancient History	Intro to Philosophy	(Computer Programming)
Geometry	Western Civilization II	Art	(Web Design)
Pre-calculus	European History (AP)	(Mixed Media)	<u>PHYSICAL EDUCATION</u>
(AP Statistics)	United States History (AP)		
Calculus AB,(BC) (AP)	US Government & Politics (AP)		

Grading Scale:	<u>Grade</u>	<u>Percent</u>	<u>Non-Honors</u>	<u>Honors</u>	<u>AP</u>
	A	93-100	4.0	4.5	5.0
	B	85-92	3.0	3.5	4.0
	C	77-84	2.0	2.5	3.0
	D	70-76	1.0	1.5	2.0
	F	0-69	0.0	0.0	0.0

Class of 2015:

Class size: 22

Test Scores: Middle 50%

PSAT/NMSQT- Critical Reading: 63-73	Math: 56-71	Writing: 59-69
Average: 66	Average: 62	Average: 64

SAT- Critical Reading: 640-720	Math: 590-670	Writing: 560-680
Average: 675	Average: 626	Average: 614

National Merit: Class of 2015 – Six Commended Students

Class of 2014 – One Finalist, Two Commended Students

Class of 2013 – Three Finalists, Three Commended Students

2014-2015 Grade Distribution

A 50%	B 35%	C 11%	D 3%	F 1%
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School Policy precludes computation of class rank.

Advanced Placement: In May, 2015, students took AP exams English Literature and Composition, Calculus AB, European History, U.S. History, U.S. Government and Politics, Physics C: Mechanics, and Statistics. The average score of the 46 students taking 75 AP exams was 3.16 with a pass rate of 75%.

College Acceptances: In the recent past, Aquinas Academy students have been offered admission to schools including:

Allegheny College	Hillsdale College	St. Mary's College Notre Dame
Auburn University	Hobart and William Smith Colleges	St. Vincent College
Boston College	John Carroll University	Stanford University
Boston University	Kenyon College	Tulane University
Boston Conservatory of Music	Lehigh University	University of Aberdeen, Scotland
Bucknell University	Loyola College, Baltimore	University of Alabama
Carnegie Mellon University	Marquette University	University of Chicago
Case Western Reserve University	Miami University of Ohio	University of Dallas
Catholic University, Honors College	Mount St. Mary's University	University of Dayton
Christendom College	Mount Holyoke College	University of Findlay
Cleveland Institute of Music	New York University	University of Maryland
Colorado College	Northeastern University	University of Montana
Colgate University	Northwestern University	University of Navarre, Spain
College of the Holy Cross	Peabody Institute (Johns Hopkins Music Conservatory)	University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill
College of William and Mary	Penn State-Schreyers, Honors College	University of Notre Dame
Cornell University	Pepperdine University	University of Pittsburgh, Honors College
Davidson College	Providence College	University of Richmond
Denison University	Rochester Institute of Technology	University of Virginia
DeSales University	Rosemont College	United States Marine Corps
Dickinson College	Seton Hall University	United States Military Academy
Drexel University	Seton Hill College	United States Naval Academy
Duke University	State University of New York	Vanderbilt University
Duquesne University	St. Bonaventure University	Villanova University
Emerson College	St. Francis University	Washington University, St. Louis
Franciscan University	St. John University	Washington & Jefferson College
Gonzaga University	St. John Fisher College	Washington & Lee University
Grove City College		Yale University
Hampden Sydney College		
Hendrix College		