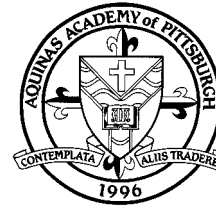


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PROFILE 2007-2008

School and Community: Aquinas Academy is an independent, private school in the Catholic tradition for boys and girls in grades pre-kindergarten through 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 11 acres consisting of a Lower/Middle School building, a High School building, a soccer field and a chapel.

Enrollment: 251 total, 61 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: 17 Full Time/10 Part Time

Administration: Mrs. Leslie Mitros, *Head of School*
 Mr. Michael Burchill, *Assistant Head of School*
 Mr. Juan Mata, *Director of Admissions and Student Affairs*
 Mrs. Melaine Kachmar, *Lower School Director*
 Mr. Michael Flynn, *Middle School Director*
 Mr. Peter Heisler, *High School Director*
 Mrs. Wendy Maglio, *Admissions and Director of College Counseling*

Graduation Requirements: All students must complete the following courses for graduation.

*Courses in parentheses are optional.

<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	(AP)	Morality
American Literature	Physics (AP)	Spanish I, II, (III), (IV)	Apologetics
World Literature (AP)	Anatomy & Physiology	A 3rd year of Latin or	Catechism
(Journalism)		Spanish is required.	
<u>MATHEMATICS</u>	<u>HISTORY</u>	<u>ART/PHILOSOPHY</u>	<u>PHYSICAL EDUCATION</u>
Algebra I, II	Ancient History	Intro to Philosophy	(COMPUTER APPLICATIONS)
Geometry	European History, (AP)	Art	
Precalculus	United States History, (AP)		
(AP Statistics)	U.S. Government		
(AP Calculus AB)	and 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 2008:

Class size: 12

Test Scores: Middle 50%

PSAT/NMSQT- Critical Reading: 56-66	Math: 56-64	Writing: 52-65
Average: 60	Average: 61	Average: 56

SAT- Critical Reading: 610-690	Math: 620-680	Writing: 550-670
Average: 658	Average: 624	Average: 619

National Merit: Class of 2007 - One Semi-Finalist

Class of 2006 – One National Merit Scholar, One Finalist

2006-2007 Grade Distribution

A 43%	B 38%	C 15%	D 4%
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School Policy precludes computation of class rank.

Advanced Placement: In May, 2007, students took AP exams U.S. History, U.S. Government and Politics, English Literature, Calculus AB, Physics C: Mechanics and Statistics. The average score of the 21 students taking 36 AP exams was 3.5 with a pass rate of 75%.

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

Allegheny College
 Boston University
 Boston Conservatory of Music
 Bucknell University
 Carnegie Mellon University
 Case Western Reserve University
 Catholic University, Honors College
 Christendom College
 Cleveland Institute of Music
 Colgate University
 Davidson College
 Denison University
 DeSales University
 Dickinson College
 Duquesne University
 Emerson College
 Franciscan University
 Hobart and William Smith Colleges
 John Carroll University
 La Roche College
 LaSalle University
 Lehigh University
 Loyola College, Baltimore
 Magdalen College
 Mercyhurst College
 Merrimack College
 Miami University of Ohio
 Naval Academy
 Oberlin College
 Peabody Institute (Johns Hopkins Music Conservatory)
 Penn State- Schreyers, Honors College

Point Park University
 Providence College
 Rochester Institute of Technology
 Rosemont College
 Simmons College
 St. Bonaventure University
 St. Francis University
 St. Mary's College Notre Dame
 St. Vincent College
 University of Aberdeen, Scotland
 University of Chicago
 University of Cincinnati
 University of Dallas
 University of Dayton
 University of Hawaii
 University of Maryland
 University of Navarre, Spain
 University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill
 University of Notre Dame
 University of Pittsburgh, Honors College
 University of Richmond
 University of Rochester
 University of Virginia
 United States Marine Corps
 Vanderbilt University
 Villanova University
 Washington University, St. Louis
 Washington & Jefferson College
 Washington & Lee University
 Westminster College
 Xavier College
 Yale University