



HELP US GET OUR 8TH GRADE BASKETBALL PLAYERS AND CHEERLEADERS PUMPED UP FOR REGIONALS!
ALL GRADE LEVELS MAY PARTICIPATE IN SPIRIT WEEK.

SPIRIT WEEK JANUARY 22ND-26TH

Mon

MISMATCH/
WACKY TACKY DAY

Tue

PAJAMA DAY

Wed

WHEN I GROW UP/
CAREER DRESS UP
DAY

Thur

SPORTS DAY

Fri

SCHOOL
SPIRIT DAY 2.0
5TH-8TH GRADE BATTLE FOR THE
STS SPIRIT STICK!



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Spirit Week- January 22-26

Help us get our 8th grade basketball players and cheerleaders pumped up for regionals! All grade levels may participate in spirit week.

Monday, January 22- Mismatched Day or Wacky Tacky Day-wear your silliest mismatched outfit, the more patterns and colors the better!

Tuesday, January 23- Pajama Day-come to school in your comfy and appropriate pajamas. Some examples of acceptable pajamas would include pajama bottoms, t-shirts, sweatshirts, and tennis shoes. Please, no slippers.

Wednesday, January 24- Dress as what you want to be when you grow up. It's career day at St. Thomas School.

Thursday, January 25- Support your favorite sports team! Wear a t-shirt, sweatshirt or jersey to root on your favorite team. You may wear jeans, sweatpants or uniform pants and tennis shoes. No leggings or tight fitting bottoms.

Friday, January 26- Spirit Wear 2.0 This is not your normal Friday Spirit Wear Day, this is STS x's 100! Pull out all your maroon and white STS socks, shirts, hats, sweatpants or jeans. We've got spirit yes we do, we've got spirit how about you?

All School Spirit Assembly at 2:45 p.m. in the school gym. We will be recognizing 8th grade basketball players and cheerleaders. Any 8th grade parents are welcome to attend.

General Out of Uniform Guidelines: No jeggings/ leggings or tight fitting athletic or yoga pants are allowed. Loose fitting athletic pants or sweatpants are permitted. (No short-shorts, no Nike pros, no mini-skirts.)

-Logos on t-shirts must be appropriate for a Christian setting. Shirts may not be skin tight. No crocs or flip flops. Tennis shoes/gym shoes/casual shoes are permitted.

Join us for
**MISSION
STS COMETS**
PRE-K & KINDER
OPEN HOUSE
SATURDAY, JANUARY 27TH
10:00 AM - NOON
Face Painting, Bounce House, Obstacle Course, Cheerleaders, Peoria Ballet, Space Walk Around STS Meet our Teachers & Specialists:
Art, Music, Spanish & Library Activities
It's sure to be Out of this World!
Hope to see you there! Bring a friend!

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Join Us For Our
Catholic School's Week
OPEN HOUSE
Sunday, January 28th

Pack the Pews @ 10 am Mass
Wear Your STS Spiritwear
Open House Immediately Following
Mass Until Noon
School Tours Available!
Come & See all STS has to offer!

- Christ-Centered Learning Environment
- Exemplary Academics
- Safe, Secure Campus
- Athletics & Extra-Curriculars
- Pre-Care & After-Care Services
- Financial Assistance Opportunities

Pre-3, Pre-K & Kinder 2024-2025
Reserve your spot today!
Donuts, Coffee & Juice



PLEASE, JOIN US FOR OUR
Grandparent/Parent Day LUNCH

love you

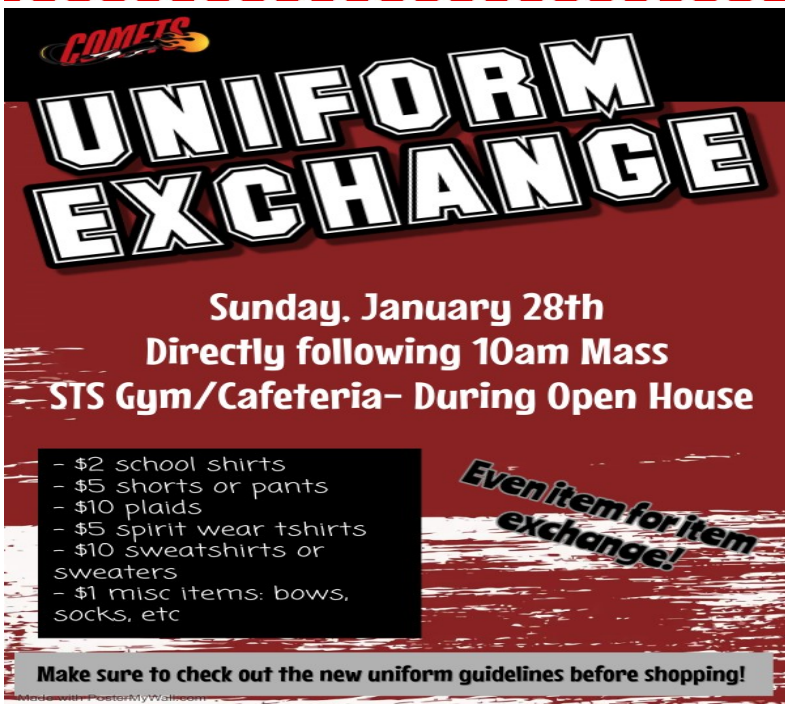
11:15-12:00 Pre-3, Pre-4, K & 1ST
12:00-12:30 2ND, 3RD, & 4TH
12:30-1:00 5TH, 6TH, 7TH & 8TH

IF YOU ARE ORDERING HOT LUNCHES,
ALL PAYMENTS & ORDERING
WILL BE MADE ONLINE!
\$4.00 ADULTS & \$3.50 CHILDREN

MONDAY, JANUARY 29TH

Come Celebrate Catholic Schools Week with Us!

On the menu is:
Chicken and gravy, mashed potatoes, roll, peaches, cookie, milk
Lunches for adults are \$4.00
[Please order here](#)
Order student lunches through FACTS. Students may be taken to eat at same time with siblings
If you are cold lunch - no fast food or soda please!




UNIFORM EXCHANGE
Sunday, January 28th
Directly following 10am Mass
STS Gym/Cafeteria- During Open House

- \$2 school shirts
- \$5 shorts or pants
- \$10 plaids
- \$5 spirit wear tshirts
- \$10 sweatshirts or sweaters
- \$1 misc items: bows, socks, etc

Even item for item exchange!

Make sure to check out the new uniform guidelines before shopping!



Catholic Schools United in Faith and Community

St. Thomas THE APOSTLE SCHOOL

CATHOLIC SCHOOLS WEEK 2024
JANUARY 28 - FEBRUARY 3, 2024
www.NCEA.org/csw
#CSW2024



Outdoor Recess:

Students should be encouraged to engage in physical activity during recess year round...including winter--- unless temperatures are dangerously cold or when it is raining. Every child, unless excused by reason of ill health, is expected to comply to the outdoor guidelines set at St. Thomas. Please keep in mind that winter air does NOT cause or worsen minor symptoms as long as children are dressed appropriately. Extended indoor recess requests require a doctor's note.

Guidelines

Students will be outside at all recesses when the temperature (including wind chill) is 15 degrees or above and it is dry. Temperature is checked throughout the day during cold weather.

Students need to dress adequately for cold weather by wearing coats that close, hats or ear bands, pants or tights/ leggings, and mittens or gloves. Students will also be required to stay within the designated areas to avoid unnecessary wetness. Students may bring boots to wear for warmth, however, *playing IN the snow during recess is not allowed.*



Please RSVP via this Google Form by Thursday, January 25th.
<https://forms.gle/gPqQHtVQ4Ha1FN4U9>

John Lancaster Spalding Scholarship Fund Grants

Tuition assistance scholarship grants from the endowment fund established as a result of the Diocese of Peoria ROOTED IN FAITH Campaign and named in honor of Archbishop Spalding, the first Bishop of Peoria, will be available for the 2024-2025 school year for students enrolled in or intending to enroll in grades Kindergarten through 12 in any Catholic school located in the Diocese of Peoria whose families are active members of a Catholic parish in the diocese. All grants will be based on financial need objectively assessed.

Information about the grants and application materials may be obtained from the Diocesan website www.cdop.org under the heading Catholic Education and then under Financial Assistance. Consult the detailed protocols and procedures and checklist for all requirements necessary to be eligible for an award.

Parents must **apply at:** <https://online.factsmgt.com/aid>. Families of students currently receiving grants are reminded that all grants are for one year only, and anyone seeking to renew a grant for the 2024-2025 school year must reapply.

Deadline date for the completed application is April 26, 2024. Notification of grant awards will be made in June of 2024.



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USE THE GOOGLE FORM TO REGISTER BY FEB. 3RD!

ST. THOMAS PRESENTS
SATURDAY FEBRUARY 10TH

TRIVIA NIGHT

LET'S GO TO THE MOVIES

DOORS OPEN 6PM - HORS D'OEUVRES 6:30PM - TRIVIA 7:30PM

\$30 per person. Maximum of 8 people at each table.
You can pay EXACT CASH or CHECK at the door - please make checks payable to St. Thomas PTO

Choose your favorite movie to decorate your table and dress the part!

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Please register via the Google Form by Saturday, February 3rd - <https://forms.gle/xKh4J92jenJj6DbGA>



START EARNING FOR STS NOW

Use the Box Tops app to scan your store receipts for participating products. STS will automatically earn cash with every Box Tops product you buy.

In order to earn cash for STS, you'll need to use the Box Tops App on your mobile device!



Hello, friends of St. Thomas School - PTO!

We have a wonderful fundraising opportunity through our friends at Kroger to share.

Through Kroger Community Rewards, each time you shop at Kroger, a donation will be made to St. Thomas!

This is FREE to you and to us!

How to help:

- Scan the QR code → or visit [Kroger.com](https://www.kroger.com) to sign-in or create your digital account.
- Make sure your Kroger Loyalty Card information is updated in the 'My Account' tab. (If you don't have a Kroger Loyalty Card, just pick one up at any Kroger store!)
- Click the 'Community Rewards' tab.
- Locate our organization and click 'Enroll.'



Each time you shop at Kroger with that Loyalty Card number, donations from Community Rewards are made to us!

Thank you for your support!



Ristorante

Come to: North Peoria Avanti's

8517 N. Knoxville Ave. (309) 691-2525

On: January 31st, 2024 10:30AM-9:00PM

Present this flyer to the cashier upon payment for tracking purposes and 15% of proceeds will go to support:

St. Thomas Catholic School

On Dine-In or Carry Out orders

Tax, gratuity and alcohol sales are not included in donation





"A" Honor Roll

Mr. Holt 6th Grade— Julianna Hudson, Bryan Le, Ella Schmidt, Noelle Shields

Mrs. Kilian 6th Grade— Jonah Beyer, Evie Olson, Mazzy Parry, Mia Ritterbusch, Zoe Torres-Ravelo

Mrs. Kiser 7th Grade— Matthew Bennett, Audrey Horst, Ryan LaBarre, Liam Mohning,

Mrs. Ward 8th Grade— Ginger Crawford, Betza Garcia, Violet Gardner, Pierce Lynch, Whitney Parks, Evan Wolbeck

"B" Honor Roll

Mr. Holt 6th Grade—Brynlee Bernitt, Natalie Braet, Jax Cowan, McKinley Dennhardt, Marisa Leon, Cruz Madrigal, Isabella Menchaca, Riley Reusch

Mrs. Kilian 6th Grade— Lexi Dinh, Katie Lai, Onyx Martin, Christina Pag-Ong, Dyana Reese, Paul Schramm, Caleb Whitten

Mrs. Kiser 7th Grade— Jacob Anderson, Luke Bare, Noah James, Harrison Pavelka, Francis Plaskon

Mrs. Ward 8th Grade— Natalie Buckardt, Cameron Evans, Sinai Garcia, Amelia Hernandez, Arianna Juarez, Drake Reese

Student Improvement List

Mr. Holt 6th Grade— Julianna Hudson, Bryan Le, Ella Schmidt, Noelle Shields

Mrs. Kilian 6th Grade— Onyx Martin, Mazzy Parry

Mrs. Kiser 7th Grade— Ryan LaBarre, Ryan Leyva, Liam Mohning, Christian Simmons

Mrs. Ward 8th Grade— Betza Garcia, Violet Gardner, Amelia Hernandez, Drake Reese, Evan Wolbeck

4th grade shooting stars! Chalk and glitter glue!





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St. Thomas School 2024 – Water Bottle Order Form

\$30.00 each



Family Name _____

Phone number _____

Number of bottles ordered (\$30 each) _____

Total Cost _____ Method of Payment (circle) CHECK CASH

NAME to be engraved on bottle _____

NAME to be engraved on bottle _____

NAME to be engraved on bottle _____

NAME to be engraved on bottle _____

PLEASE fill out the form and send back with CASH or CHECK payment in an envelope with your child's name and what it is for to the school office by **Friday, January 26th**.

***Checks can be made payable to St. Thomas PTO