



ST. THOMAS AQUINAS ACADEMY
COLORADO'S CATHOLIC INDEPENDENT SCHOOL

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May 30, 2019

Dear St. Thomas Aquinas Families,

It is an understatement to say that this year has been quite the challenge in the schooling community; schools and home schools alike. So much to challenge our resolve, but this is where our faithfulness to God and our vocation comes in. The preverbal “where the rubber meets the road” in our faithfulness to our Catholic faith and to home schooling, and I must say we all have done beautifully. From the amazing presence of families testifying at the state capital against the HB1032 bill to the petitions signed and testimonies given against the vaccination bill HB1312 which eventually lead to death of the bill for now in senate. But with the climate of Colorado changing in such vast ways which have sadly been to the negative, it was decided that St. Thomas Aquinas Academy needed to put some things in place to be more professional and polished. With this in mind, a decision was made to upgrade our school to a website that could support some more up to date features, and updated enrollments forms, and even a way to pay annual enrollment fees online. All this is currently available on the new website at www.aquinashomeschool.com. At this time, I would like to sincerely thank Peter and Mary Vizzini for their help and support in putting up the new website and updating the enrollment and attendance forms. It all looks great! Thank you both again for your time and care for STAA.

On the new website you will find the enrollment forms for 2019-20 which can be printed for each child you are enrolling, and attendance sheets that can be used for the all the children being schooled if they share the same days of study. Please submit your enrollment forms for the coming school year by June 30, 2019 or contact me if you would like an extension. All attendance forms for the 2019-20 school year are due on the 30th of June as well. If you school year-round, please use the June 30th date as way to mark the end of one school year.

As I mentioned above on the new website you will be able to make your enrollment fee payments online, but you will still have the option to pay the fee by check. Please make all checks payable to Helen Swavely, STAA. Once payment online is made, you can mail your enrollment papers to the address listed on the letterhead of this letter. You will also have

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the option to mail a check for your enrollment fee with your enrollment papers. Also new this year will be that everyone will receive an email confirming their enrollment for the 2019-20 school year. Oh, and please if ever the enrollment fee of \$30 (small increase to offset the cost of the new website) is ever a hardship for your family, please contact me as there are scholarships that can be applied.

Thank you all again for being part of the STAA family and know you are in our family's daily prayers. May you all have a blessed, restful, and joy-filled summer! Please never hesitate to contact me to assist you in navigating the state homeschooling laws. God Bless You and your families with a happy school year to come!

Your friend in Christ,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads 'Helen M. Swaenly'. The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, decorative initial 'H'.

Administrator, STAA