

ORGANIZATIONS

Student Government Association/Student Council

The Student Government Association was designed to produce leaders from the students, so that the student body will have a role in making school decisions. The purpose of SGA is to provide a group of leaders within the school who come together to represent and promote the interests of all of the students, as well as to represent and promote Saint Agnes to the community. All Student Council and Commissioner positions are elected.

Honor Council

The purpose of the Saint Agnes Honor System is to create an atmosphere built on trust. Although there are many reasons that students attend Saint Agnes, one of the most important is the strong feeling of trust and security among students, faculty, and staff. As a result, members of the Saint Agnes Academy community are obligated to conduct themselves responsibly with respect for the rights, possessions, and privacy of others. The Honor Council, comprised of students and faculty members, preserves the atmosphere of trust within the school community, oversees and enforces the Honor Code. The Honor Council's chief responsibility is to educate the Saint Agnes Academy community about the Honor System" (Taken from the Honor Code Handbook). The Honor Council co-presidents are appointed, and those serving on the Council are in elected positions in student government and academic honorary societies.

Student Ambassador Board

The Student Ambassador Board represents St Agnes as leaders of the school. Events include Leadership Training, the Freshman Student Orientation, and hosting open houses. Requirements include applications to be turned in during the junior year, and the commitment to attend the leadership-training seminar. Members are chosen by a committee.

CLASSES

Class Officers

Class officers are the governing body of the class. They work in conjunction with the Student Council to help represent and promote the interest of the students. Being a class officer is an opportunity for girls to utilize and strengthen their leadership skills.

CLUBS

Ecology

The goal of the Ecology Club is to raise environmental awareness and responsibility through school and community service.

Fleece of Faith

This organization focuses solely on the care of the underprivileged members of the Memphis community. By making and distributing handmade scarves and blankets, Fleece for Faith is intent on providing warmth and comfort to those who lack these necessities in their everyday lives. The founders aspire to raise awareness of the need for comfort and hope in the modern Memphis community.

French

The French Club was created to allow its members to deepen their knowledge and appreciation of French language and culture. Members must be present or former students of French. Events include the Cajun trip, LeBonheur Christmas in France exhibit and the Tour de St. Agnes.

Habitat for Humanity Club

The Habitat for Humanity Club at St. Agnes is an affiliate for the Youth United Chapter of Habitat for Humanity. Our goal is to fund and help construct a Habitat House for a homeowner that is chosen at the discretion of the Habitat for Humanity Organization of Greater Memphis.

Humane Society

The purpose of this group is to raise money and donate to the Memphis Humane Society and to educate about the responsibilities of pet ownership.

International Food

The International Food Club was founded so that students could explore the culture and cuisine of other countries through cooking and testing different dishes.

Invisible Children

Invisible Children is a world-wide organization that benefits children living in Uganda. These children live in the Ugandan streets in order to avoid being abducted from their families and forced to work as soldiers. The Invisible Children Club at St. Agnes shows support by providing awareness events and raising financial assistance for these needy children.

Key

The SAA Key Club is part of a national organization centered on providing the community with service, and building the character and leadership of its members. Membership is extended to those students that exhibit a commitment to service. Members must perform a set number of service hours in addition to the hours required by the Theology department for continued club membership. Key Club members participate in a variety of events and service projects in the area including the Key Club Rally, Cooper-Young Festival, tutoring and cooking meals for underprivileged children at First Works, and various other activities. Students are eligible Sophomore year.

Latin

The Latin Club, in combination with the French and Spanish Clubs, has many activities throughout the year. We study the culture and practice traditions of the ancient Romans.

Library Ambassadors (LAMBS)

This group is comprised of students who serve as Cybrary Ambassadors. Activities are designed to raise awareness of the cybrary offerings.

Peace Jam

Peace Jam provides opportunities for youth to become agents of peace and positive change in themselves, their communities and the world through youth-led community action projects.

Pep

This club was founded to foster school spirit for various activities such as athletic events, fundraisers, and school events, such as Field Day, Spirit Week, Prince Charming, and the Lisa Lass 5k.

Pro Life

The purpose of this club is to teach students to make a stand based on their beliefs. The group raises money for and sponsors the March for Life trip.

Spanish

The Spanish Club sponsors several fundraising events throughout the year to raise money for service projects such as Heifer International and the Frank Martinez scholarship. These events include the Fiesta International, bake sales and Star Cinema. Students also have the opportunity to be peer tutors for lower levels of Spanish. Activities for club member are also planned throughout the year.

HONORARIES

International Thespian Society

This honorary recognizes students who have met the requirements of this international organization, thereby showing excellence in the performing arts.

Key Club

Key Club International is a student-led organization which provides its members with opportunities to provide service, build character and develop leadership. Key Club members participate in a variety of events and service projects in the Memphis area including the Cooper-Young Festival, Zoo Boo, tutoring and cooking meals for underprivileged children at First Works, and various other activities. Membership is offered annually to students at all grade levels. Student members are recognized at the end of the school year for service above the required hours for the school.

Mu Alpha Theta (Math Honorary Society)

Mu Alpha Theta recognizes high achievement in mathematics and was created to promote fun and interesting ways to learn more about math. Events include Pi Day and the regional math contests.

National English Honor Society

Membership reflects excellence in the study of English.

National Honor Society

This organization is designed to honor those students who have shown excellence in four areas: leadership, scholarship, character, and service.

National Junior Classical League Latin Honor Society

This honorary has been established to honor those students showing excellence in the Latin language.

Sociedad Honoraria Hispanica

Sociedad Honoraria Hispanica was created to honor those students who have excelled in the Spanish language and met the academic requirements necessary. Students are eligible second semester sophomore year.

Societe Honoraire De Francais

Membership in this French Honor Society is intended to recognize students who have shown excellence, leadership, and commitment in

French classes. Students are eligible second semester sophomore year.

Social Sciences Honor Society

This groups honors excellence in the social sciences curriculum.

PUBLICATIONS

Aquila -- Yearbook

The Aquila Yearbook is designed to help students learn various techniques and skills needed in putting together a school annual. Students will be involved in activities such as ad sales, photography, caption writing, copy editing, cropping photographs, and using computer software to design page layouts.

Calliope

Calliope creates an award-winning art and literary magazine celebrating the artistic and writing talents of St. Agnes students. Events include Spotlight Day on Halloween and layout in second semester.

MUSICAL ENSEMBLES

Ladies First

Ladies First is St. Agnes' auditioned a cappella choir, which consists of 16-20 members. They sing a wide range of songs from pop hits, to classic Christmas tunes, to songs of prayer, and perform at various school and local events. In order to participate in Ladies First, the student must be involved in either Starlettes or an advanced vocal music class.

Starlettes

Starlettes is the Upper School choral group for students who enjoy musical performances. The club practices once a week after school and is open to all high school students. They sing at mass and other school functions and have two performances a year.

ACADEMIC TEAMS

Canstruction

This is an engineering and design based community service effort. Area high schools compete by building self-designed structures from canned food that is subsequently donated to the Mid-South Food Bank. It is sponsored locally by the Civil Engineering Department at University of Memphis.

Knowledge Bowl

Participation in Knowledge Bowl provides the opportunity for students to learn and to compete in an academic setting.

Mock Trial

This activity allows students to become familiar with the justice system by their participation in the trial process in the courtroom.

Model United Nations

This is an academic simulation of the United Nations that aims to educate participants about civics, current events, effective communication, globalization and multilateral diplomacy.

Wordsmith

This is a writing contest including four modes of nonfiction: description, narration, persuasion, and exposition.

Youth Court

Youth Legislature

This activity is a model legislative and judicial program where students come together in the State Capitol to participate in a mock legislative session.