



Mr. THOMAS G. HOOD, O.P.A.  
*President*

DR. JOY T. MANESS, O.P.A.  
*Dean*

Mrs. BARBARA H. OLSON, O.P.A.  
*Director of Counseling Senior  
Class Counselor*

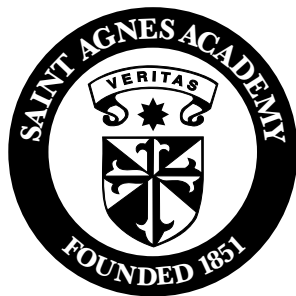
Mrs. JOY G. RICE  
*Junior Class Counselor*

Mrs. MEGHAN O. KILKENNY '08  
*Sophomore Class Counselor*

Mrs. MARIA K. SMITH '82  
*Freshman Class Counselor*

Mrs. MARY JANE B. SCHIFANI  
*Registrar*

Mrs. JEAN SKORUPA-MOORE '90  
*Director of Admissions*



# ST. AGNES ACADEMY

## HIGH SCHOOL PROFILE

2019

### MISSION

St. Agnes Academy is a Catholic independent school, ecumenical by charter. The school was founded to educate young people in a principle-based program designed to prepare them for advanced formal and personal studies while deepening their faith and relationship with God.

In the Dominican tradition, the school actively encourages academic excellence and promotes spiritual and moral growth, social and ecological responsibility, leadership skills, multicultural awareness, emotional maturity, artistic expression, and physical fitness.

### SCHOOL

The school is dually accredited by the Southern Association of Independent Schools, AdvancED/SACS and Dominican Association of Secondary Schools. The school holds memberships in the following: AdvancED/SACS, Association of Middle Level Education, Association of Supervision and Curriculum Development, Better Business Bureau, Coalition of Apple Lighthouse Schools, Council for Advancement and Support of Education, Dominican Association of Secondary Schools, Independent School Management, Memphis Association of Independent Schools, National Association of College Admissions Counselor, National Coalition of Girls Schools, National Association of Secondary School Principals, National Association of Student Councils, National Catholic Education Association, One Schoolhouse, Southern Association of Independent Schools, Solinet, Tennessee Association of Independent Schools, Tennessee Secondary School Athletic Association, Tenn-Share, The College Board and The Heads Network.

### OUR FOUNDATION

Woven into the fabric of daily life, the tenets of Catholic teaching are an integral part of a St. Agnes Academy-St. Dominic School education. As a Catholic independent school, we seek to inspire our students to foster a peaceful pursuit of truth through the Gospel teachings of Jesus Christ.

The Dominican Sisters of St. Catharine, Kentucky founded St. Agnes Academy in 1851 and St. Dominic School in 1956. Today SAA-SDS continues to be sponsored by the Dominican Sisters of Peace.

The Four Pillars of the Dominican Charism - Study, Prayer, Community and Service - provide a foundation for students, sustaining the unique St. Agnes Academy-St. Dominic School experience. Veritas is the mission of the Dominican Sisters of Peace. Founded on Catholic principles and enriched by Dominican spirituality, St. Agnes-St. Dominic educates young people to pursue Veritas (truth) through study and prayer and to build Veritas in our world through community and service.



## **MARKING SYSTEM**

St. Agnes Academy follows the traditional two semester academic year. Classes meet for 36 weeks for 50 minutes per period. One-half credit is awarded for a semester of successfully completed work. Students are graded on a letter basis (A+ - F) with quality points awarded from A+ = 4.330 to F = 0.000. The cumulative grade point average (gpa) is based only on courses taken at St. Agnes Academy and is calculated by dividing the semester quality point total by the number of semester courses. The gpa is weighted for Honors and Advanced Placement courses. The following units are minimum for the diploma: 4 English, 4 Theology, 4 mathematics, 3 science, 3 world language (same language), 3 social studies (includes .5 economics), 1.5 fine arts, 1 health & physical education, .5 Freshman Studies Seminar, 2.5 electives. Total credits required are 26.5. Other high school transcripts will be attached to the St. Agnes Academy official transcript.

## **RANK IN CLASS**

The official rank is computed on the basis of cumulative grade point average at the end of the senior year (8 semesters). This policy is stated on all documents related to college admissions. The Valedictorian, Salutatorian, and Third Honors, must have attended St. Agnes Academy for all four years of high school. A 2.0 grade point average is required for graduation and for a college recommendation.

## **ADVANCED PLACEMENT PROGRAM**

Advanced Placement (AP) courses are regularly offered in American Government and Politics, Biology, Calculus AB, Calculus BC, Chemistry, Environmental Science, Physics, Psychology, Spanish, Statistics, Studio Art, United States History, World History and World Literature and Composition.

## **SPECIAL CURRICULUM FEATURES**

- St. Agnes Academy participates in the Tennessee Hope Scholarship Dual Enrollment Grant Program with Christian Brothers University to grant college credit to students in levels 3 and/or 4 of Spanish.
- In accordance with the Academy's conviction that a student's faith is lived as well as learned, the school requires 30 hours of service per year in grades 11-12. Students in grades 9 and 10 must complete 20 hours.
- Bridge Builders, Girls' State, Mock Trial, Youth In Government and Tennessee Governor's Schools are some of the intensive sessions in leadership, extended academic work, and multicultural awareness that are available to selected students.
- As part of a balanced program, St. Agnes Academy students earn recognition in the Fine Arts in Music (Starlettes and Ladies First), Theatre (three productions a year) and Visual Arts (Scholastic Key competitions and our award winning literary magazine). In Athletics students participate in thirteen sports recently earning state championships in cross country, track and golf. Graduates were recruited at the collegiate level in volleyball, golf, swimming, bowling and track in the past four years.

## **CLASS OF 2019 TESTING INFORMATION**

### **St. Agnes Academy Testing Program: Entire Class**

ACT Mean for top 25%: **31**

GPA Range: **5.215 - 2.341**

Entering 9th graders: **High School Placement Test or Independent School Entrance Examination**

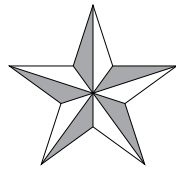
9th and 10th Grades: **Preliminary Scholastic Aptitude Test**

9th and 10th Grades: **Pre-ACT**

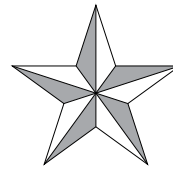
11th Grade: **Preliminary Scholastic Aptitude Test/National Merit Qualifying Test**

11th and 12th Grades: **ACT with Writing; SAT Critical Reasoning, and SAT Subject Tests** (as required by colleges)

10th, 11th and 12th Grades: **AP exams** for those enrolled - required.



COURSE LISTING  
2018-2019



| ENGLISH   | WORLD LANGUAGE  | MATHEMATICS   | SOCIAL SCIENCES  |
|---|---|---|--|
| English 1*<br>English 1 Honors<br>English 2*<br>English 2 Honors<br>English 3*<br>English 3 Honors<br>English 4*<br>English 4 Honors<br>AP World Literature and Composition<br>Journalism - Yearbook<br>Writing for College + | French 1*<br>French 2*<br>French 3*<br>French 3 Honors<br>French 4 Honors<br>Spanish 1*<br>Spanish 2*<br>Spanish 3*<br>Spanish 3 Honors<br>Spanish 4 Honors<br>Spanish 5 Honors<br>AP Spanish<br>Latin 1<br>Latin 2<br>Latin 3,4,5 Honors               | Algebra 1*<br>Algebra 1 Honors<br>Algebra 2*<br>Algebra 2 Honors<br>College Mathematics<br>Geometry *<br>Geometry Honors<br>Statistics+<br>Trigonometry+<br>Pre-Calculus<br>Pre-Calculus Honors<br>Calculus Honors<br>AP Calculus AB<br>AP Calculus BC<br>AP Statistics | Economics and Personal Finance+*<br>Facing History and Ourselves: <i>Membership and Race in America</i> +<br>Facing History and Ourselves: <i>Holocaust and Human Behavior</i> +<br>Intro to Psychology +<br>United States History*<br>United States History Honors<br>World History*<br>World History Honors<br>AP Psychology<br>AP United States Government and Politics +<br>AP United States History<br>AP World History |
| FINE ARTS   | SCIENCE   | SCIENCE CONT.   | THEOLOGY/OTHER   |
| Art 1+*<br>Art 2<br>Art 3<br>Drama 1+* (Speech)<br>Drama 2+<br>Drama 3+<br>Vocal Music 1+*<br>Vocal Music 2+<br>Vocal Music 3+<br>AP Studio Art   | Anatomy & Physiology<br>Anatomy & Physiology Honors<br>AP Biology<br>Environmental Science<br>AP Environmental Science<br>AP Chemistry<br>AP Physics<br>Biology*<br>Biology Honors<br>Chemistry*<br>Chemistry Honors<br>Conceptual Chemistry<br>Physics | <b>Project Lead the Way</b><br>Principles of the Biomedical Sciences<br>Human Body Systems<br>Medical Interventions<br>Honors<br>Biomedical Innovation<br>Honors  | Theology 1*<br>Theology 2*<br>Theology 3*<br>Theology 4*<br><hr/> <b>Technology</b><br>Computer Programming+<br>Media Arts 1+<br>Media Arts 2+<br>3D Design and Engineering+ (Non PLTW)<br><hr/> <b>Other</b><br>Freshman Seminar+*<br>Physical Education*+<br>Health*+<br>Family and Consumer Science +*  |

+Semester  
\*Required

**SAA GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS**

Total credits required for graduation: 26.5

|                               |  |
|-------------------------------|--|
| 2.5 Electives                 | 4 Mathematics                            |
| 4 English                     | 3 Sciences                               |
| 1.5 Fine Arts                 | 3 Social Studies (includes .5 Economics) |
| .5 Freshman Seminar           | 4 Theology                               |
| 1 Health & Physical Education | 3 World Languages                        |

## COLLEGE ACCEPTANCES 2015–2019

*Bold listings indicate colleges of matriculation.*

American University  
Arizona State University  
Arkansas State University  
**Auburn University**  
Austin Peay State University  
Azusa Pacific University  
Baylor University  
Bellarmine University  
Belmont University  
Bethel University  
Birmingham-Southern College  
Boston College  
Boston University  
Bowling Green State University  
Butler University  
California Polytechnical State University  
California State University  
**Carnegie Mellon University**  
Carson-Newman University  
Case Western Reserve University  
Christendom College  
Christian Brothers University  
Clark Atlanta University  
Clemson University  
Coe College  
Colgate University  
College of Charleston  
Colorado State University  
Columbia College, Chicago  
Creighton University  
Delta State University  
Denison University  
DePaul University  
De Pauw University  
Dillard University  
Drury University  
East Tennessee State University  
Eckerd College  
Elon University  
Emmanuel College, Boston  
Emerson University  
Emory College of Emory University  
Florida Agricultural and Mechanical University  
Florida State University  
Fordham University  
Furman University  
George Washington University  
Georgia Institute of Technology  
Hawaii Pacific University  
Hendrix College  
Hofstra University  
Hollins University  
Indiana University  
Lincoln Memorial University  
Lipscomb University  
Johns Hopkins University  
Louisiana State University  
Loyola Marymount University  
Loyola University, Chicago  
University of New Orleans  
Manhattan College, New York  
Marquette University  
Marymount Manhattan College  
Maryville College  
McKendree University, Illinois  
Mercer University  
Miami University of Ohio  
**Middle Tennessee State University**  
Millsaps College  
Mississippi College for Women  
Mississippi State University  
Missouri Southern State University  
Missouri State University  
Murray State University  
**New York University**  
Niagara University  
Northwestern University  
Oglethorpe University  
Ohio University  
Ouachita Baptist University  
Oxford College of Emory University  
Pace University  
**Park Point University**  
Pellissippi State Community College  
Pepperdine University  
Princeton University  
Purdue University  
**Rhodes College**  
Rochester Institute of Technology  
Rockhurst University  
Saint Louis University  
Saint Mary's College, Indiana  
**Samford University**  
San Diego State University  
Santa Clara University  
**Savannah College of Art & Design, Atlanta**  
**Savannah College of Art & Design**  
Sewanee The University of the South  
**Southwest Tennessee Community College**  
Southern Illinois University  
Southern Methodist University  
Southern University and A & M College  
**Spring Hill College**  
St. Bonaventure University  
St. Edward's University  
St. Joseph's College  
Syracuse University  
Temple University  
Tennessee State University  
**Tennessee Technological University**  
**Texas A&M University**  
**Texas Christian University**  
The American Academy of Dramatic Arts  
The American Musical and Dramatic Academy  
**The College of William and Mary**  
The New School of New York City  
Tennessee Wesleyan University  
**Thomas Aquinas College**  
Troy University  
Tulane University  
Union University  
United States Air Force Academy  
**United States Naval Academy**  
University of Alabama, Birmingham  
University of Alabama, Huntsville  
University of Alabama, Tuscaloosa  
University of Arizona  
**University of Arkansas**  
University of California, San Diego  
University of California, Santa Barbara  
University of Central Missouri  
University of Central Oklahoma  
**University of Colorado, Boulder**  
University of Dallas  
University of Denver  
University of Evansville  
University of Florida  
**University of Georgia**  
University of Iowa  
University of Illinois  
**University of Kentucky**  
University of Louisiana, Lafayette  
University of Louisiana, Monroe  
University of Louisville  
University of Maine  
University of Massachusetts  
**University of Memphis**  
**University of Michigan**  
**University of Mississippi**  
**University of Missouri**  
University of New Hampshire  
University of New Orleans  
University of North Alabama  
**University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill**  
**University of Notre Dame**  
**University of Oregon**  
**University of Rhode Island**  
University of Richmond  
University of San Francisco  
University of South Alabama  
**University of South Carolina**  
University of South Dakota  
University of Southern Mississippi  
**University of Tennessee, Chattanooga**  
**University of Tennessee, Knoxville**  
**University of Tennessee, Martin**  
**University of Texas Austin**  
University of the Cumberlands  
University of Tulsa  
**University of Vermont**  
**University of Virginia**  
University of West Florida  
University of Utah  
Valparaiso University  
**Vanderbilt University**  
**Villanova University**  
Virginia Commonwealth University  
Wake Forest University  
**Washington and Lee University**  
Washington University, St. Louis  
Washington University, Seattle  
**Webster University**  
**Western Kentucky University**  
Westminster College  
William Woods University  
Xavier University, New Orleans

*Over \$9.8 million in academic and special achievement scholarships were awarded to the members of the graduating class of 2019. One graduate was a National Merit finalist.*



**ST. AGNES ACADEMY**

A Catholic tradition since 1851

4830 Walnut Grove Road • Memphis, Tennessee 38117 • 901-767-1356 • [www.saa-sds.org](http://www.saa-sds.org)