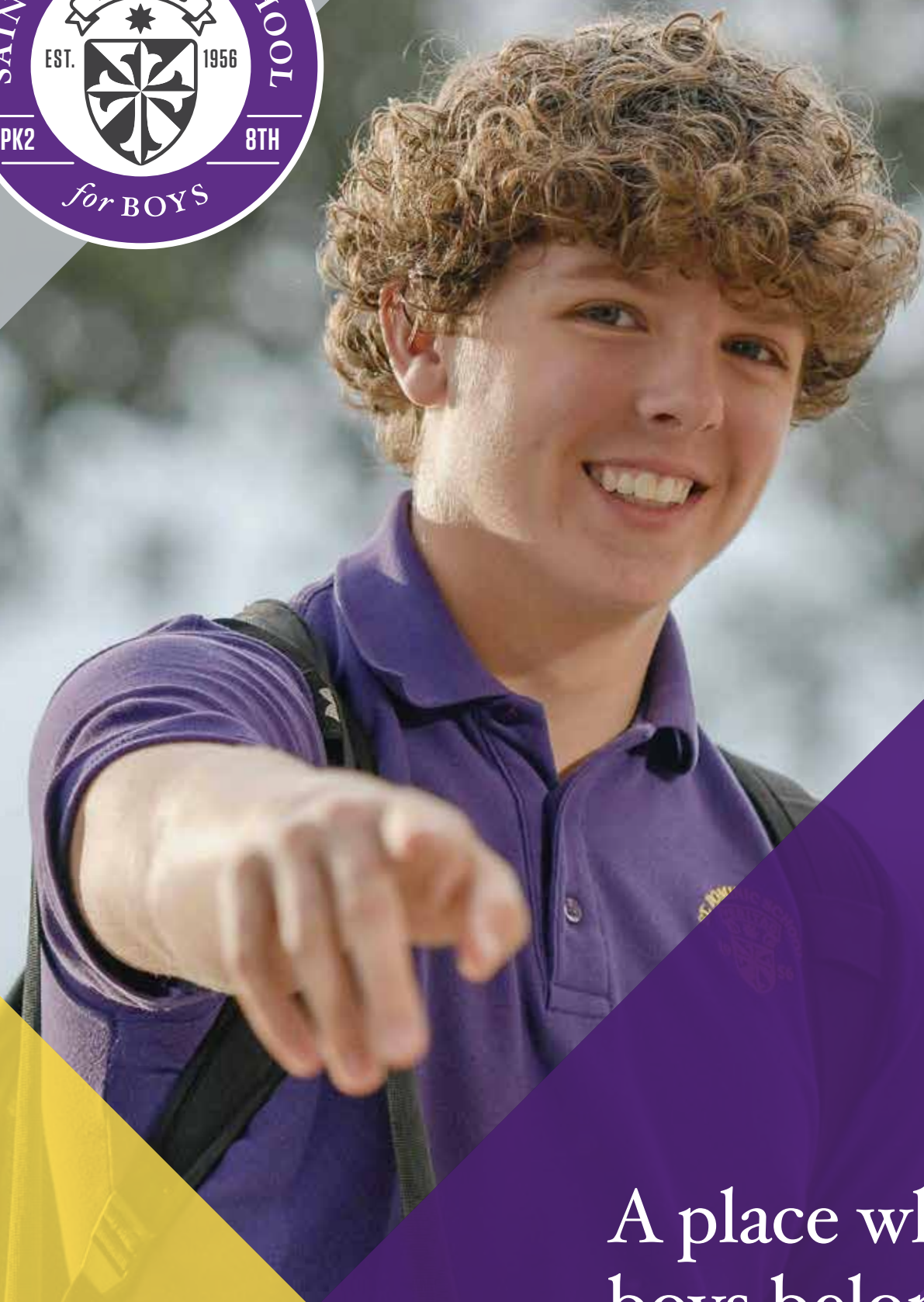
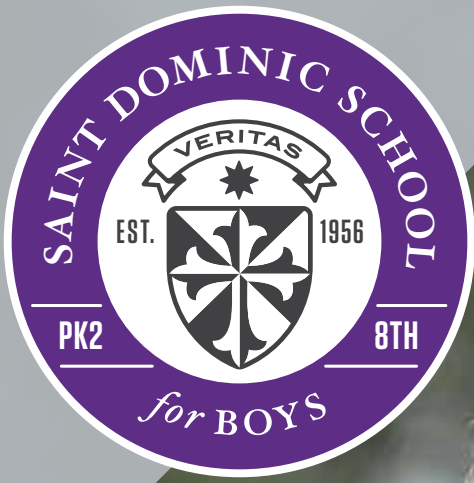




A place where  
boys belong.

*The Dominican*  
COMMUNITY of SCHOOLS  
— *Belong.* —



## Far more than a boys' school, we are a school uniquely for boys.

At St. Dominic School, we provide a foundation for learning that places an emphasis on developing strong relationships with peers and educators, fostering creativity, critical thinking, communication and collaboration.

At St. Dominic School, we prepare young men to assume responsibility in a competitive and changing world with confidence and courage. Every step along the way is carefully designed to prepare boys to succeed wherever their journey takes them.

Take a closer look at St. Dominic School, and you'll find a challenging, inspiring, and supportive place where your son belongs.

# Prayer

## The tenets of Catholic teaching are essential to who we are.

We encourage boys to develop their faith and to think outside themselves – to embrace a lifelong passion for service. Boys grow in character and form the bonds of brotherhood with honesty and kindness, equipping them to lead lives of courage and integrity.

The foundations of the Catholic faith and Dominican tradition are woven into the fabric of our daily life at St. Dominic School. With Jesus at the center, and guided by the Four-Pillars, STUDY, PRAYER, COMMUNITY, and SERVICE, our goal is to instill Catholic moral values, to encourage the practice of ethical behavior, and to support the spiritual growth of all students. Students attend weekly Mass and participate in class retreats, reconciliation services, and prayer services.

Part of the Dominican spirit means accepting and welcoming students and faculty of other denominations. Everyone is felt to be a part of the whole. Every child brings something from the experience of faith in his life, and every child has a gift to give.

### SCHOOL PRAYER

*Loving God, let Thy blessings be upon St. Agnes Academy and St. Dominic School. Help us to seek the truth, to stand up for the rights of others and to promote justice, respect and peace in our school and world communities. Inspire with love and goodness both those who teach and those who learn. Give us the grace to walk in the footsteps of Jesus, loving and forgiving of others. We ask these gifts in Jesus' name, through the power of the Holy Spirit.*

*Amen.*

# Study

*“We teach critical academic skills,  
but - more important - work to  
instill in our boys a love of learning.  
It’s the key to a lifetime of academic success.”*

Here, boys develop a genuine enthusiasm for learning, actively engage with our rigorous curriculum, and accept responsibility for their individual growth. Embracing the spirit of boys and knowing how boys learn best, educators guide them to success through intentional opportunities that support each young man’s distinct strengths and challenges.

- We have implemented the nationally recognized Being a Writer program as a way to develop the writing skills that are so essential to future success. Developed by the Center for the Collaborative Classroom, this innovative program develops each student’s literary skills and nurtures a love of reading and writing.
- Our STEM curriculum teaches experimentation and design thinking, which teaches our boys that trying different approaches and solutions is an essential part of the learning process.
- Because studying a second language at an early age enhances brain development, all of our boys study Spanish, PK2 through the eighth grade.





*St. Dominic School consistently scores higher on the MAP Growth assessment test in every subject across every grade than both the national norm and also the norm for Catholic & Independent Schools.*

- Every student at every age has strengths and weaknesses, and our purpose for giving the MAP Growth assessment is to use the results to help every student grow – whether to help strengthen areas where there are gaps or to push high-achieving students needing additional enrichment to continue to grow in knowledge and understanding.
- In our state-of-the-art Distance Learning Center, students engage in virtual classroom experiences – “traveling” around the world, touring art museums and zoos, and tapping into the knowledge of experts across the globe.
- We were one of the first independent schools in the nation to install a Kitchen Community Learning Garden, a dynamic outdoor classroom for hands-on learning, as well as a productive edible garden.
- A 10:1 student-to-teacher ratio means that instruction is personalized, individual strengths are encouraged, and every boy has a chance to shine.



## Our boys learn what it means to live in community.

Working together in the classroom, competing on the playing field, or serving together in the community, our St. Dominic students are united by a special bond of brotherhood. At St. Dominic remarkable boys become extraordinary young men while sharing in traditions that build a sense of belonging.

At St. Dominic School, we foster the development of lifelong learning and active citizenship within a spiritual foundation, and character development is an integral part of student life.

At the Dominican Community of Schools, we are committed to the respectful treatment of all people. Justice, Respect and Peace, our school-wide kindness initiative and leadership training program, provides the foundation for our students in their interactions with others.

# *Community*



## We are creating, cooperating, and competing.

We know that boys need movement throughout their day and that recess and hands-on activities are essential to their academic success. Extensive offerings in fine arts, athletics and extracurricular activities allow each boy to explore and develop his own unique interests.

The fine arts thrive in our three art studios, two music rooms, and 300-seat performing arts center. We provide a range of ways for our boys to exercise their leadership skills whether through elected, selected, academic, athletic, or service opportunities.

Our St. Dominic Suns have a tradition of fielding strong athletic teams. Our boys learn teamwork, sportsmanship, respect for others and develop athletic skills through participation in soccer, football, flag football, cross country, golf, track, and baseball.

Whether it's robotics, chess, books, performing arts or the outdoors, there are numerous other opportunities for our boys to explore and develop their interests through a variety of clubs, activities, and artistic endeavors.

# Service

## Learning to make a better world.

Service learning is a guiding principle for all students who lead and participate in a wide variety of community projects. Our students learn at an early age that they have a responsibility to build the Kingdom of God through their service to others.

Our boys have many opportunities to live out the Dominican pillar of service in our school community, in our Memphis community, and even in the global community. Every year our students serve through a variety of projects.

- Make Prayer Bouquets to share with the sick in our community
- Make Dog toys for the Humane Society
- Write letters to our St. Agnes and St. Dominic Alumni
- Make Fleece blankets for Birthright
- Easter and Christmas Food Drive for Project Outreach
- “Socktober” Sock Drive for the unsheltered
- Present JRP Awards to recognize service leaders in our community
- 9-11 Community First Responder Appreciation Day
- Christmas Toy Drive for Catholic Charities
- Blessing Bags for St. Vincent de Paul
- Visits to Ave Maria Nursing Home
- COP Stop - monthly lunch for/with First Responders
- Day of Caring - Service to the community





*"We seek for our students  
at SDS to be good men who  
will act justly, act kindly, and  
lead through service to others."*

Jefferson Brant / Dean of St. Dominic School

*“St. Dominic is giving our son a strong academic foundation for the future, but what we love most of all is the community of love and support and respect. He really does feel like St. Dominic is where he belongs.”*

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