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Dear TSA Generals,

Tenacity. Supports. Achievement. Wow. This past week has been a whirlwind of activity. It has been a joyous time seeing the families back on campus. I know the students have loved to see



their friends - albeit via social distancing... We had an outstanding tribute to the Class of 2020 last Saturday with the Recognition Parade. It once again showed the love and support we as a TSA Family have for each other. I know the Class of 2020 really appreciated your support. Thank you to the PTO for recognizing our Teachers as well - great job! We had our

Recognition Rally for our Elementary students on Tuesday and our Kindergarten Drive-In Graduation on Wednesday. It was awesome to see everyone! To the "Great 38," the Class of 2020, Good luck and Godspeed as you move to the next phase of life. To all of our other members of the TSA family, please have a safe and fun summer and we look forward to seeing you next school year! Let's please continue to pray for and with each other. Stay healthy and safe.

Please take a minute to write a review on Google. You may also upload pictures. You may go to "Niche.com" or "Greatschools.org" to write other reviews about TSA. Like us on Facebook and follow us on Twitter, and Instagram. You can follow me on Twitter at TSA_DrM. #Generalpride.

PROUD TO BE A GENERAL
Dr. F.L. Martin III

Upcoming Events

Class of 2020

May 29	Class Day @ 8PM
May 30	Graduation @ 8PM

CELEBRATION PARADE FOR THE CLASS OF 2020 AND FACULTY/STAFF

Thomas Sumter Academy holds parade for “The Great 38”

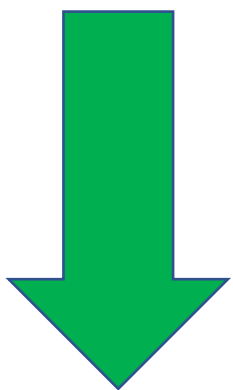
posted by The Item

From the unknown and the bad can come good. They couldn't have the traditional graduation ceremony they hoped for because of COVID-19, but Thomas Sumter Academy's Class of 2020 started a new tradition on "The Hill" when the TSA community held a parade on Saturday for its graduating seniors. The seniors are now being called “The Great 38” and have come together to create encouraging videos on social media, host a school trivia night online, host executive and class elections online and performed many other behind-the-scenes acts of kindness to keep this time in their lives upbeat and positive, said Eddy Hyder, director of development and executive student council for the Rembert-based private Christian school. "Our teachers have been just as amazing. They have kept all of our students moving forwarding and finishing strong," Hyder said. "Saturday was absolutely a good day."









**THANK YOU TO EVERYONE THAT CAME OUT
TO SUPPORT THESE AMAZING SENIORS AND
TEACHERS!**

PILOT CLUB SCHOLARSHIP WINNER

CARRINGTON ERON



Thomas Sunter Academy's Class of 2020, Carrington Eron, was surprised by Melissa Linville (TSA alumni), and the Anchor Club liaison from the Pilot Club, as the 2019-2020 scholarship winner from TSA. Congratulations, Carrington!



Main Campus Kindergarten Graduation

“Drive Thru Style”

<https://www.facebook.com/thomassumteracademy/videos/561495021467226/>



Columbia Campus Kindergarten Graduation



In Case You Missed It...

Awards and Athlete
Recognition Ceremony

[https://www.youtube.com/
watch?v=y5zB7-
4bALQ&feature=youtu.be
&fbclid=IwARoSfUxZ-
jU_PaDwFW1GyX2GKp
miWwj5u6ununG61MwpX
zKh41UkJvpiZkE](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=y5zB7-4bALQ&feature=youtu.be&fbclid=IwARoSfUxZ-jU_PaDwFW1GyX2GKp_miWwj5u6ununG61MwpXzKh41UkJvpiZkE)

Mrs. Randall's Retirement
Video Link

[https://www.youtube.com/
watch?v=Y7K-
J6GybP0&fbclid=IwAR26i
TszZlu9J3e1bGmqGXLzN
D9xeQhnFfa_RoJOKiZ3S
UDM7-cPehbXf4I](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Y7K-J6GybP0&fbclid=IwAR26iTszZlu9J3e1bGmqGXLzND9xeQhnFfa_RoJOKiZ3SUDM7-cPehbXf4I)

Lower School End of the
Year Awards Program

[https://www.youtube.com/
watch?v=DkhfZsQXsTU&f
eature=youtu.be](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=DkhfZsQXsTU&feature=youtu.be)

!!!ATTENTION!!!



There will be a BBQ Dinner Fundraiser for
Ronnie Burns to help raise money for expenses

How can you help?

You can purchase a ticket that comes with a
BBQ plate that includes BBQ chicken, rice and
two sides, roll, and a dessert. *Tickets will cost
\$8.00 (Donations are gladly accepted)*

Where?: Thomas Sumter Academy

When?: June 27th, 2020 between 11:00am to
2:30pm

Plates can be picked up at Thomas Sumter
Academy in the athletic building by the football
field.

For ticket information call:

Logan Oxendine: (803) 468-9030

Joan Oxendine: (803) 938-3109

Toby Oxendine: (803) 418-9436

Britton Moseley: (803) 468-7716

Alumni Corner



My name is Tiffany Daniels, TSA Salutatorian Class of 2016. I attended Charleston Southern University on a full academic scholarship and recently graduated with a degree in biochemistry. I am very fortunate and look forward to beginning classes at the Medical University of South Carolina in just a few days on May 26. I will be entering the MUSC Master of Science in Medical Sciences program, class of 2021. I am already looking forward to this time next year, when I hope to be entering the MUSC School of Dentistry. Thank you to Thomas Sumter Academy for providing the academic foundation necessary for me to achieve these goals of mine. I am so excited for the next part of my journey, and I am so proud to always be a General! Submitted by The Daniels Family

Respectfully yours,
Tiffany Daniels

Dancing Into Summer



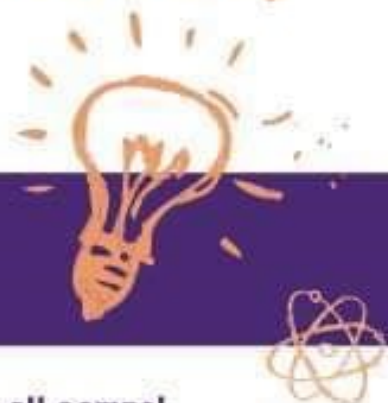




Thank you, Freed School of Performing Arts and Thomas Sumter dancers on a job well done with the recital! These amazing dancers will forever remember the memories of practices via Zoom, dancing in a parking lot to “masked” parents, socially distancing their routines, and cars driving by during their performances! What an awesome lesson on resilience and never giving up! It has been an unforgettable year!

SPEND YOUR SUMMER WITH SCIENCE!

**Clemson Life Sciences Outreach Center
2020 virtual STEM camps for ages 8–12**



Two live instructors will be present for all camps!
When? 9:30 a.m.–noon Mondays–Thursdays • **Where?** Zoom virtual classroom
Cost? Camps start at only \$90 *(plus additional fee of ~\$25 for camp materials to be mailed to you)*

CHEMISTRY CONNECTIONS

June 22–25; July 27–30

- ⇒ Use indicators to investigate the pH of items around your own house.
- ⇒ Harness chemical and physical reactions to create art.
- ⇒ Create a Silly Putty-like polymer.
- ⇒ Design and conduct your own scientific investigation while learning the science behind concentration gradients.

ENGINEERING DESIGN CHALLENGE

June 15–18; July 13–16; Aug. 10–13

- ⇒ Learn the engineering design cycle by engaging in hands-on design challenges.
- ⇒ Build, test, evaluate and improve your prototypes based on scientific principles.
- ⇒ Design and build levers, pulleys, parachutes and more.

FUN WITH PHYSICS

June 8–11; June 29–July 2; Aug. 3–6

- ⇒ Build and test your own conductivity meter and battery.
- ⇒ Explore basic principles of electric current by building and manipulating electric circuits.
- ⇒ Investigate electromagnets and build your own motorized pet.
- ⇒ Experiment with Newton's three laws of motion in an engineering design challenge.



SCIENCE
LIFE SCIENCES OUTREACH CENTER

To find out more or to register,
visit Clemson.edu/CULSOC

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**FINAL SHOUT OUT
TO:**

OUR AMAZING FAMILIES
WHO HAVE SHOWN THEIR
LOYALTY, PERSEVERANCE,
GRIT AND TENACITY
THROUGH THIS ENTIRE
ADVENTURE - GOD BLESS
THOMAS SUMTER ACADEMY.

Quote of the Week:

*"The happiness of your life depends
upon the quality of your thoughts;
therefore, guard accordingly, and
take care that you entertain no
notions unsuitable to virtue and
reasonable nature."*

~ Marcus Aurelius

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