

October 30<sup>th</sup>, 2020 Thomas Sumter Academy (803) 499-3378



Dear TSA Generals,

<u>T</u>enacity. <u>Supports. A</u>chievement. November 1<sup>st</sup> is the day after tomorrow...Unbelievable! Remember to "fall back" Sunday morning. We are starting to put out more information regarding our special events for November, so please keep your eye out for our special events and corresponding procedures. Mid-term grades for the second quarter are right around the corner – November 13<sup>th</sup>. Let's keep our students focused!

B-Team football ended their season on an awesome note with a big win over Lee Academy 34-22. Come out and support our Varsity Generals tonight at Lee Academy. Good luck to our State Cross Country runners in their championships tomorrow (Saturday). Go GENERALS!

Our Character Trait for the month of November will be HUMILITY: Humility is defined as "a low self-regard...Putting others above oneself." It is a very important character trait found in our Servant Leaders. "Be humble in your confidence yet courageous in your character." ~ Melanie Koulouris

"Absolute Value Corner:" "As children of the Lord we are to have confidence in God's ability to lead and direct our lives on the best path as He sees fit. Many times, when we face obstacles and challenges, we think that God has abandoned us and left our side to suffer adversity alone. We must change our thinking and realize that God has promised that He would never leave us nor forsake us. The Bible declares in Psalm139: 7-10, "where can I go to escape Your Spirit? Where can I flee from your presence? If I go up to heaven, You are there; if I make my bed in Sheol, You are there. If I live at the eastern horizon or settle at the western limits, even there Your hand will lead me; Your right hand will hold on to me." Be encouraged and know that no matter what troubles may come our way, the spirit of the Lord is right there by your side to help and lead you to the heights of victory that God has for you." ~ Mark Gibson

As I pray you know, my door is always open so please stop by. I appreciate your feedback. You may write a review on Google as well as upload pictures. You may also go to "Niche.com," Yelp, 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**

OCTOBER 30<sup>TH</sup> COLLEGE APPLICATION DAY FOR SENIORS

VARSITY FB @ LEE ACADEMY (7:30)

OCTOBER 31<sup>ST</sup> STATE CROSS COUNTRY MEET @ HHES

NOVEMBER 2<sup>ND</sup> TSA GOLF TOURNAMENT- BEECH CREEK GOLF COURSE

FIRST PRACTICE DAY FOR WINTER SPORTS

NOVEMBER 3<sup>RD</sup> FALL PORTRAIT MAKE-UP DAY

NOVEMBER 6<sup>TH</sup> DRIVE-THRU GRANDFRIENDS DAY - MAIN CAMPUS

**GRANDFRIENDS DAY- COLUMBIA CAMPUS** 

NOVEMBER 7<sup>TH</sup> SERVICE SATURDAY

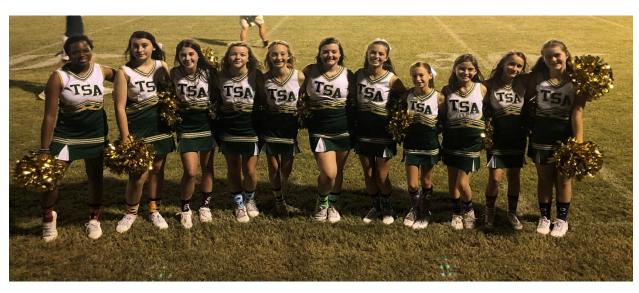
**EQUESTRIAN @ AIKEN** 

STATE CHEER COMPETITION

NOVEMBER 11TH VETERAN'S DAY CHAPEL

**DENOTES SPORTING EVENT** 

## Week 12















Last week's Pep-Rally included one of our favorite traditions at here at TSA: our Miss Goalpost Pageant! Our senior cheerleaders had the opportunity to give our senior football players a complete makeover and participate in a one-of-a-kind beauty pageant.

Congrats to Miss Theresa (Ethan Lisenby) on her 1st place victory!

#### Good Luck, Cross Country!



Best of luck to Coach Rob and our Running Generals as they compete in the Cross Country State Finals this Saturday at Heathwood Hall Episcopal School!

The Girls' race will start at 11:45 AM, followed by the Boys' contest at 12:30 PM.





Our B-team Football team finished their season with a huge 34-22 victory over Lee Academy on Thursday!

Congrats to Coach Sam Watford, his staff, and his players on an awesome season!

# S.T.E.A.M. DAY









STEAM Day 2020 went off like an explosion! A pumpkin explosion, to be exact! Our K-5 students enjoyed selecting pumpkins from our TSA pumpkin patch and rotating through STEAM stations to test their pumpkins to the limit. We made pumpkin explosions with mixtures, built pumpkin catapults to shoot marshmallows, and even made a pumpkin battery. Along the way, we measured, weighed, and floated our pumpkins while cooking a delicious pot of apple-pumpkin butter on an open fire.

#### Equestrian









Kirsten Naylor (Senior), Porter Laney, and Grace Beasley (Sophomore) all competed in an IEA Show last weekend at Topsail Equestrian Center in Ravenel, SC. Each rider competed in both a flat class and an over-fences class. All our riders placed in their respective divisions, earning both individual points and overall team points! Grace Beasley earned a blue ribbon in her over fences class! Their next competition will be this January at Evermore in Georgia! Way to go Generals!

#### Senior College Acceptances

Preston Houser- Coastal Carolina University

Sam Lawing- Lees-McRae College, North Greenville University, Newberry College

Jade Leviner- USC-Sumter

Logan Long- UNC-Pembroke, Gardner-Webb University

Logan Oxendine- Anderson University, University of Alabama

#### TSA Gaiter Scarves for Sale!



The Cross Country & Varsity Girls' Basketball teams are selling TSA gaiter scarves for \$15. See Coach Rob or Coach Brunson for purchasing and more details!



### Thanksgiving Dinner!









#### SAT / ACT Dates

SAT Date	Registration Deadline	Deadline for Changes
November 7 <sup>th</sup> , 2020	October 7 <sup>th</sup> , 2020	October 27 <sup>th</sup> , 2020
December 5 <sup>th</sup> , 2020	November 5 <sup>th</sup> , 2020	November 24 <sup>th</sup> , 2020
March 13 <sup>th</sup> , 2021	February 12 <sup>th</sup> , 2021	March 2 <sup>nd</sup> , 2021
May 8 <sup>th</sup> , 2021	April 8 <sup>th</sup> , 2021	April 27 <sup>th</sup> , 2021
June 5 <sup>th</sup> , 2021	May 6 <sup>th</sup> , 2021	May 26 <sup>th</sup> , 2021

ACT Date	Registration Deadline
October 10 <sup>th</sup> , 17 <sup>th</sup> , 24 <sup>th</sup> , 25 <sup>th</sup>	September 17 <sup>th</sup>
December 12 <sup>th</sup>	November 6 <sup>th</sup>
February 6 <sup>th</sup>	January 8 <sup>th</sup>
April 17 <sup>th</sup>	March 12 <sup>th</sup>
June 12 <sup>th</sup>	May 7 <sup>th</sup>
July 17 <sup>th</sup>	June 18 <sup>th</sup>

#### Quote of the Week:

"Work hard. Be humble, and I think that will serve you well in life."

~ William McRaven

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Spirit of TSA:

October - Leah Kiernan

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