



November 6th, 2020

Thomas Sumter Academy

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Dear TSA Generals,

Tenacity. Supports. Achievement. We are finishing up the first week in November and next week is Second quarter mid-terms. Keep your students focused and finish strong! Tomorrow we have State Cheer competition at 2:00 PM at the Sumter Civic Center. Come out and support our Generals! Basketball has begun in earnest, and Bowling begins next week. We have transitioned nicely into our winter sports programs.

Today has been a busy one with our first ever Grand-friends Day Drive-Thru. It was really awesome to see our students interact from the sidelines as Grand-friends paraded through – making memories! We also had a chance to see our Cheerleaders perform their Cheer Showcase as they prepare for tomorrow’s state competition. Really looking forward to seeing them perform. We also have our Annual Service Saturday tomorrow starting at 9 AM. Looking for service hours, giving of your time and talents? Fellowship? Hope to see you here!

We had two special student-athletes this week --- Ms. Reese Distelzweig, as an 8th grader, won the Girl’s 2A State Cross Country meet last Saturday and was named the Hines Athlete of the week, and Preston Houser was named the Lineman of the week by the Sumter Touchdown Club. Congratulations to two of our student-athletes! Go GENERALS!

Our Character Trait for November will be HUMILITY: “There is no respect for others without HUMILITY in one’s self. ~ Henri Frederic Amiel. From a Biblical perspective I would like to share two verses: [James 4:6](#): But he gives more grace. Therefore it says, “God opposes the proud, but gives grace to the humble.” And, [Proverbs 11:2](#): When pride comes, then comes disgrace, but with the humble is wisdom.

“**Absolute Value Corner:**” Please take a moment and read this story. It is really a great story and brings to us a lot of impressive and positive news: <https://www.goodnewsnetwork.org/special-needs-animal-sanctuary-helps-heal-special-needs-kids/>

Please enjoy your weekend! Be safe...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.

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Dr. F.L. Martin III



UPCOMING EVENTS

NOVEMBER 6TH	DRIVE-THRU GRANDFRIENDS DAY - MAIN CAMPUS GRANDFRIENDS DAY- COLUMBIA CAMPUS
NOVEMBER 7TH	SERVICE SATURDAY EQUESTRIAN @ AIKEN STATE CHEER COMPETITION
NOVEMBER 11TH	VETERAN'S DAY CHAPEL (DRESS-UP DAY)
NOVEMBER 12TH	STUDENT COUNCIL MEETING (2:45)
NOVEMBER 17TH	THANKSGIVING DINNERS – MAIN CAMPUS (STUDENTS ONLY)
NOVEMBER 19TH	SCISA VIRTUAL DRAMA FESTIVAL JUNIOR RING CEREMONY (7:00)
NOVEMBER 20TH	SENIOR GENERAL SPEAKS THANKSGIVING “GATHERING” FOR SENIORS THANKSGIVING LUNCHEON – COLUMBIA CAMPUS
NOVEMBER 23RD	START OF THANKSGIVING HOLIDAY

DENOTES SPORTING EVENT

Week 13



Local Honors for Our Generals

Following his performance against Lee Academy last Friday, Preston Houser (12th Grade) was awarded Sumter Touchdown Club: Lineman of the Week.

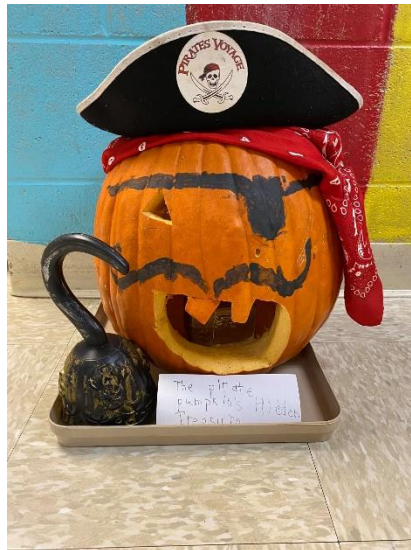
Preston recorded 3 pancake blocks during the contest and graded out at 88% on the offensive line! Way to go, Preston!



After placing 1st in the 2A Girls' State Cross Country Meet last Saturday, Reese Distelzweig (8th Grade) was named the Hines' Athlete of the Week presented by the Sumter Item. Reese beat out some other incredible local athletes on her way to this great honor.

Congratulations, Reese!

Pumpkin Decorating at the Columbia Campus



Our Columbia Campus Generals did an amazing job
decorating pumpkins for S.T.E.A.M. Day!

Here are some of their awesome creations!

What a Season!



Our Cross Country team concluded their season last Saturday at the State Finals in Columbia. Both the Boys' team and Girls' team ran great races! The Boys finished 9th, while the Girls were awarded 4th place honors.

Reese Distelzweig (8th Grade) was second to none as she took home the individual State Championship in the 2A Girls Division, with a time of 19:49. If you see Reese, give her a HUGE congratulations for this incredible accomplishment!

Another terrific season for a terrific program! We cannot wait for next year!

Fun In Middle School



**Mrs. Matos' 7th graders had a ton of fun dissecting frogs last week!
They even got to name their frogs!**

New Beginnings



What a great first year! Throughout the entire season, our Varsity Football team displayed what it truly means to be Thomas Sumter Academy student-athletes.

A HUGE shout-out to Coach Tidwell and his staff for always motivating our boys to be their very best! Our football program is in great hands!

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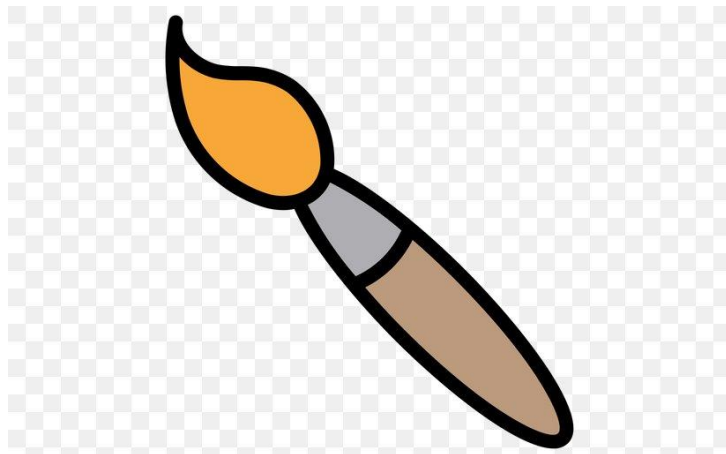


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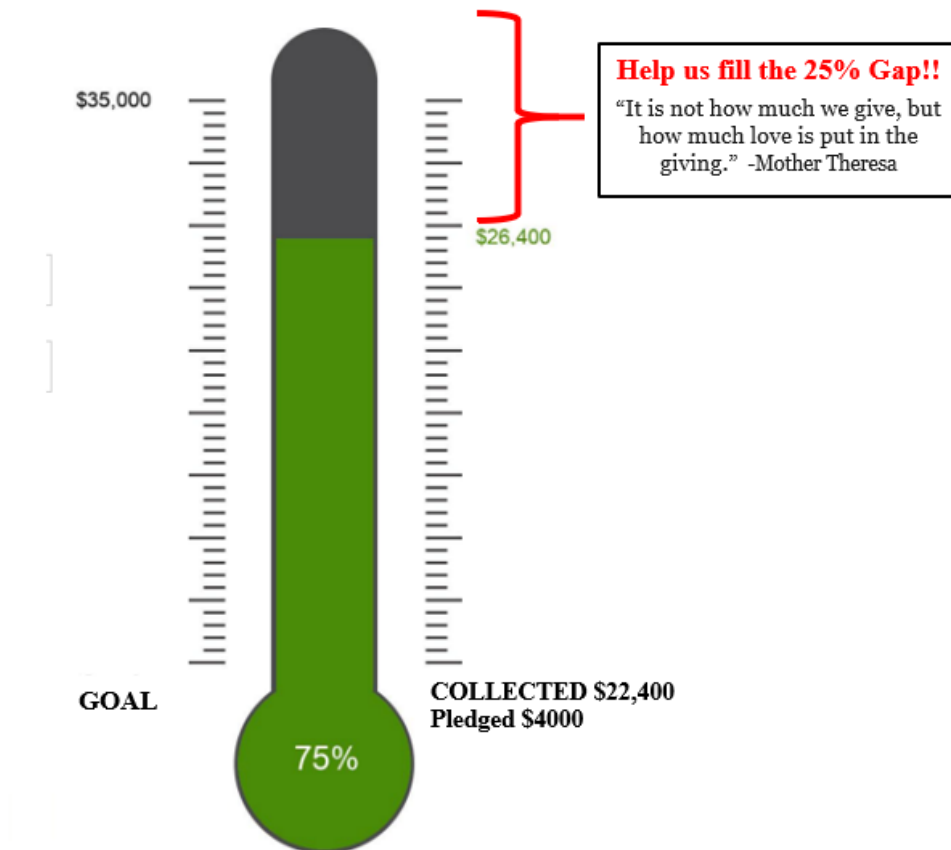
First Art Club Meeting



Our Art Club had their first official meeting on Thursday with 13 aspiring artists! If you are interested in joining the Art Club, contact Mrs. Miller for more details!



Thank You for Your Contribution!



Thank you to everyone who answered the call during our Phone-A-Thon.

Please remember to send in your pledges. You may pay online

www.thomassumteracademy.org or mail a check to

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Senior College Acceptances

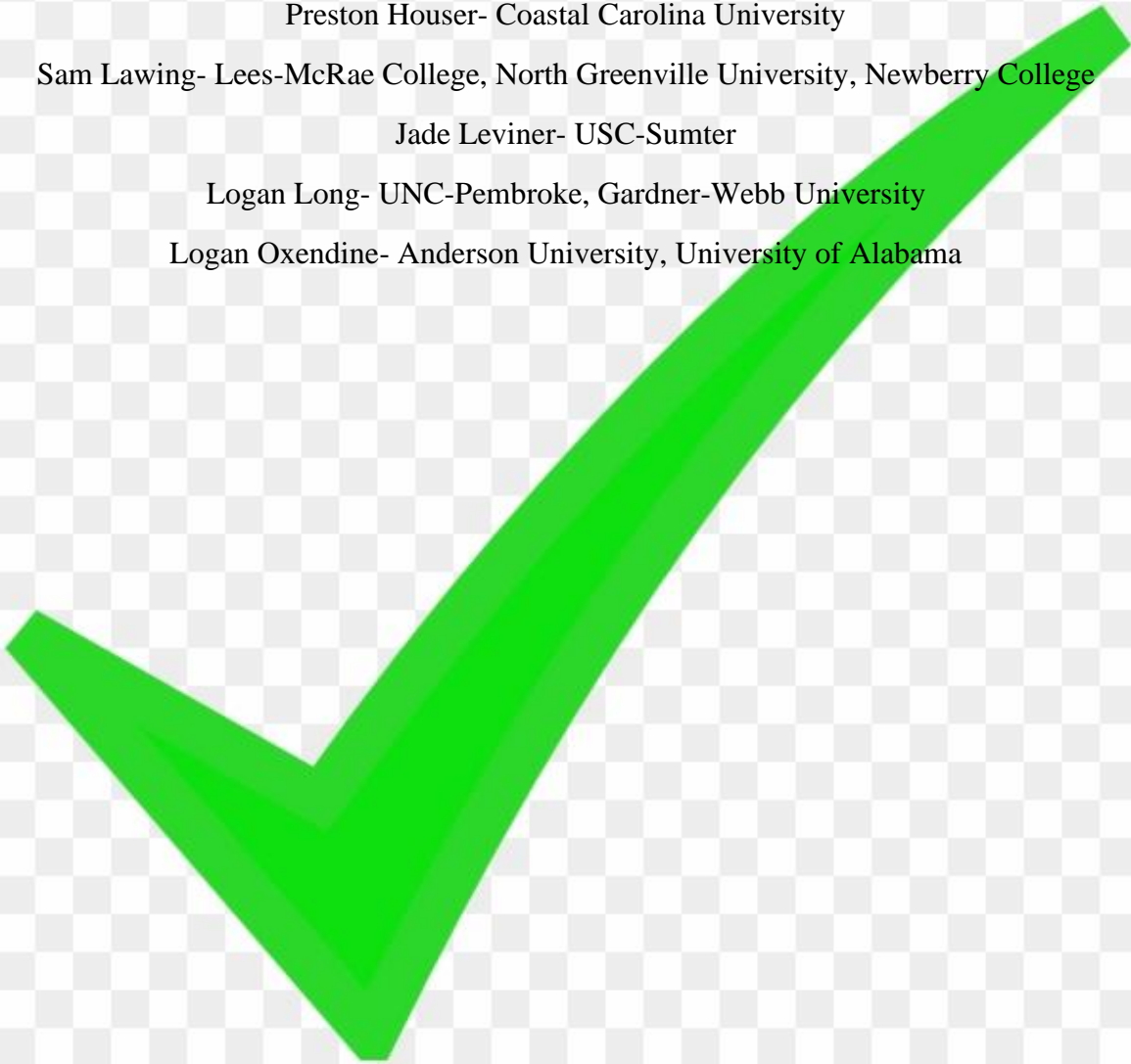
Preston Houser- Coastal Carolina University

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!

Thanksgiving on The Hill

Thanksgiving Dinners will be available for students and staff to order on RenWeb this year. To ensure the safety of our students, we will not be able to have our family members gather with us for our feast.

We are sad that we will not be able to have our families join us, but we are so thankful that we have the opportunity to be together as students and staff during this time.

Turkey Dinner to Celebrate with Classmates

Tuesday, November 17

K3-KG Pilgrim & Indian Parade (Facebook Live)

Friday, November 20 9:45 am

Thankful for our Seniors (Senior & 2 Guest only)

Friday, November 20 9:00 am

Please make sure to order your student's Turkey Dinner online through RenWeb by **Wednesday, Nov 11**



JOIN US FOR A

CAMPUS WORK DAY

Saturday, November 7th
9:00 am – 12:00 pm



@ TSA

Workday Projects

1. Front Clean-up --- Project Mgr. = Ashleigh Goza
2. Pulling of weeds and putting down pine straw
3. Painting green poles around the courtyard.
4. Repaint the East and West landings.
5. Install metal supports for the benches and finish installing new benches. Project Mgr.—Coach Rob
6. Pressure wash where needed. Project Mgr. - Lonnie Long

SAT / ACT Dates

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

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

Quote of the Week:

"You have power over your mind – not outside events. Realize this, and you will find strength." ~ Marcus Aurelius

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BIG SHOUT OUT:

Reese Distelzweig and Preston Houser for
being great TSA Student-Athletes
exemplifying General Pride.

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