



February 19th, 2021

Thomas Sumter Academy

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Dear TSA Generals,

Tenacity. Supports. Achievement. Here we are --- two weeks from today is the end of the third quarter. Can you believe it? Please make sure your student gets their work in and remains focused with the eye on the end of the third quarter. Both our Girls' and Boys' Varsity basketball teams made it to the first round of the SCISA State Tournament. Regretfully our Lady Generals were defeated by Spartanburg Christian 54-32 Friday evening, and our Boys fell to Pee Dee Academy yesterday 61-23. Both teams played with tenacity and resilience throughout the entire season – Great

job Generals!

If you have not been able to complete the survey sent out last week, please do so at https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSdWGTfzPecG8pD4OD2_ftFeGUvmfyB9BqkRZP6AKehftGDYDQ/viiewform?usp=sf_link.

“Absolute Value Corner” February’s character trait is “Friendship.” “Friends and family are what makes up our community. I just wanted to share that we are to never take for granted the precious moments that we have towards those who are closest to us, our family, and friends. We are to appreciate and enjoy each day that we have with each other and keep in mind that tomorrow is not guaranteed to us. There are times when we lose patience for one reason or another and miss out on the chance to make memories that last a lifetime. We should always be today minded and enjoy to the fullest the company of those around us. (Ecclesiastes 3:1-11) (James 4:13-16) (Psalm 118:24).

Doing simple things like sitting together and reading stories, singing songs, laughing together or going for walks or ice cream leave good memories that last a lot longer than you may think. Be encouraged to initiate a good memory cycle by offering to do things with your family and friends that are both enjoyable and will leave a good feeling deep down in your hearts. (Nehemiah 8:10).” ~ Mark Gibson

Enjoy your weekend. Stay safe and healthy. 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



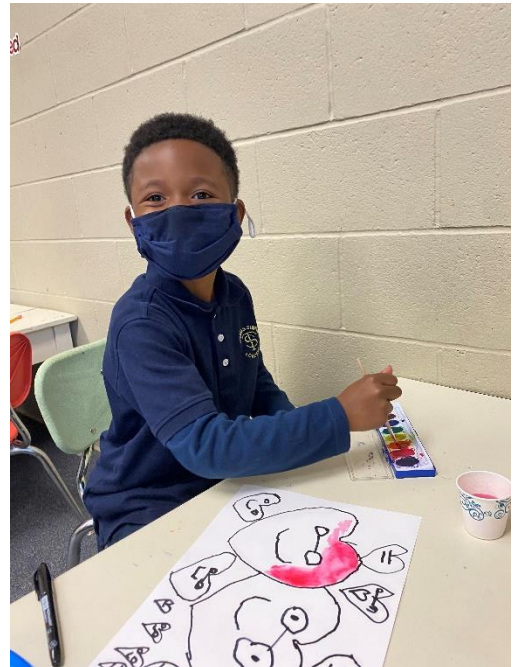
UPCOMING EVENTS

FEBRUARY 22ND	B-TEAM BASEBALL VS. TRINITY-BYRNES (6:00 PM)
FEBRUARY 24TH	TSA SCIENCE FAIR – GYMNASIUM
MARCH 1ST	STANFORD 10 TESTING (1ST – 8TH GRADE)
MARCH 2ND	STANFORD 10 TESTING (1ST – 8TH GRADE) B-TEAM BASEBALL VS. KING’S (5:00 PM)
MARCH 3RD	STANFORD 10 TESTING (1ST – 8TH GRADE) “SAT ON THE HILL”
MARCH 4TH	STANFORD 10 TESTING (1ST – 8TH GRADE)
MARCH 5TH	STANFORD 10 TESTING (1ST – 8TH GRADE) VARSITY BASEBALL VS. HEATHWOOD HALL (6:00 PM)

DENOTES SPORTING EVENT



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A NOTE FROM THE S.P.C.A.

Our local schools have really come through for our shelter pets! We would like to thank the National Junior Honor Society from THOMAS SUMTER ACADEMY for sponsoring a food drive for our SPCA. Through their efforts, they collected an amazing **3,300 lbs.** of pet food for our organization! We are in awe of the incredible support and the amount they were able to collect! We would also like to thank veterinarian, Dr. Brian Spilker, who added 400 lbs. of Royal Canin food to their collection. We cannot express the appreciation we feel to the students and staff that helped organize this drive. You are all awesome! 😊😊😊



NHS Induction Ceremony



*Last Wednesday, we held our annual NHS Induction Ceremony!
Congratulations to our newest members of the National Honor Society!*

*Savannah Butler
Alex Cook
Abby Cox
Jase Epps
Aliyah Gibson
Emily Holladay
Riley Hyder
Lillian Lindler
Dev Patel
Landyn Stevens
Nina Williamson
Emily Young*



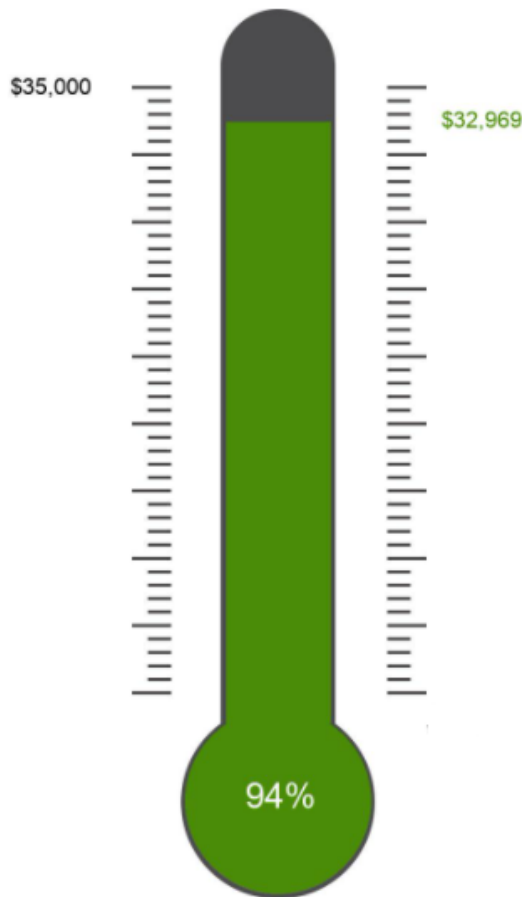
Congrats, Basketball!



Last week, both our Varsity Girls and Varsity Boys basketball teams received bids to the 2021 SCISA State Basketball Tournament! Both teams competed at the highest level all year and displayed incredible character in the most uncertain of seasons. We cannot wait to see where these two programs go in the near future! Congrats on two great seasons!



Thank You for Your Contribution!



We are so Close!!

Can you help us fill our thermometer?

This year has been one to remember and we could not do it without you. Our students, families and staff are the reason for our success, and we cannot Thank You enough.

We also would like to remind you that **if you pledged during our Phone-a-thon, please submit this by the end of March.**

We have \$1,235 outstanding in pledges. Please feel free to contact eddy.hyder@thomassumter.org with any questions.

#GeneralPride

Repairs to begin soon!

Columbia Campus



Students & Parents,



Student Council is excited to announce our annual community project and partnership with **Feed My Starving Children**. FMSC is a global nonprofit dedicated to nourishing under-served children in both body and spirit. Our campaign will run from this Monday, **February 22 to Friday, March 12**. Our goal this year is to raise \$5,000.

Not only do our students and families raise money for FMSC but also volunteer during the summer FMSC mobile packing session. We know that COVID may play a roll in there being a packing session but we will be prepared to help. Our students will raise the money for the meals, pack the meals, and send these meals to families in need with their blessings.



In order to reach our goal of **\$5,000**, we are asking all students and families to help with your spare dollars and change. We know that our outstanding students will exceed this goal with no problem. They have always amazed us! We do this primarily by asking for donations from friends, family, and neighbors.

2021 FMSC Campaign

Purchase a Pass good Feb. 22 – March 31 to support FMSC



Dress Down Pass	\$25 good until March 31
No Shave Pass	\$25 guys no shaving until March 31
Teacher Jeans Pass	\$25 to wear jeans until March 31
Pajama Pass (lower school)	\$25 to wear pajamas every day until March 31

Upper School students MUST have pass to show at ALL times or will be written up if unable to present pass. Lower School may give pass to homeroom teacher. We will not be able to reissue passes!!



How Can I Give?



- Mail to TSA: 5265 Camden Highway, Rembert, SC 29128
 - Send Cash or Check in with student
- Online www.thomassumteracademy.org Development/Make a Gift (note as FMSC donation when choosing category-Development)

Best of Sumter



TSA has been nominated for multiple "2021 Best of Sumter" Awards. Be sure to follow the link below and place your votes!

Voting Link: theitem.com/bestof

Nominations

- **Best Preschool**
- **Best Elementary School**
- **Best Middle School**
- **Best High School**
- **Best Private School**
- **Best Teacher- Julie Daniel**
- **Best Administrator – Dr. Martin**

Save the Date

SHENANIGANS 2021

Saturday
May 8, 2021
6:00 pm

Sans Souci Farm

PLEASE
note the date
change!!

Auction
Silent &
Live

Good Food
Cash
Bar

www.PeachState.org

Youth Basketball

I. Registration

(Grades PK4 – 6th grade)

I, _____, parent/guardian of _____
Hereby give approval for his/her participation in any and all league activities during the 2020-2021 basketball season. I assume all risk and hazards incidental to such participation, including transportation to and from all activities; and do hereby waive, release, absolve, indemnify, and agree to hold harmless the parent or local league organization, the organizers, sponsors, supervisors, participants, and person transporting the child to and from activities, for any claim arising out of any injury to the child. I grant permission to managing personnel or league representatives to authorize and obtain medical care from any licensed physician, hospital, or medical clinic should the above child become ill or injured while participating in league activities when neither parent/guardian is available to grant authorization for emergency treatment.

Signature of Parent/Guardian

Date

II. Player Information

Child's Name _____ Grade (2020-2021 School Year) _____

Date of Birth _____ T-Shirt Size: YS YM YL AS AM AL AXL

Phone: Home _____ Work _____ Cell _____

Medical conditions: _____

III. *Fee: \$40*

Make checks payable to **TSA**

Memo Line: **Basketball**

Forms and payment are to be returned to school office by 3/1/2021.

IV. Behavior

The league director and/or representative can remove any individual from the gym for behavior that is deemed inappropriate by the director or his representative. If the offending party is a parent or guardian, the parent or guardian and child will be removed from the gym and will not be allowed to attend the next game. The second offense results in expulsion from the league for the duration of the season!

If you are interested in coaching Youth Basketball this season, please complete the information below and submit along with the Youth Basketball Registration Form and payment.

I. Coaching Information

Name: _____

Date of Birth _____ Email: _____

Phone: Home _____ Work _____ Cell _____

Child's Name: _____

Is your student participating in the Youth Basketball program? Y N

If so, would you prefer to coach your student's team? Y N

II. Coaching Expectations

- Knowledge of all standard basketball rules and regulations
- Strong team management skills
- Excellent instructional delivery
- Availability to attend all scheduled practices and games
- Understanding of all policies and procedures enforced by Thomas Sumter Academy

Additional duties will be required of all Youth Basketball coaches. This will include gym set-up and maintenance. A professional background check is also required.

Thank you for your help in making this a great Youth Basketball season! If you have any questions, feel free to contact Coach Brunson at tanner.brunson@thomassumter.org.

Go Generals!

Check Out Our Sideline Store!

https://sideline.bsnsports.com/schools/south_carolina/rembert/thomas-sumter-academy

Everyone loves TSA Gear!



BSN SPORTS™

Senior College Acceptances

Riley Brazell: University of Alabama, Auburn University, College of Charleston, Savannah College of Art and Design

Zachary Brenneman: Central Carolina Technical College

Clara Burnette: Auburn University

Caleb Burns: Coastal Carolina University, Presbyterian College, Spartanburg Methodist, Winthrop University

Zachary Evans: USC-Sumter

Aliyah Gibson: Charleston Southern University, College of Charleston, UNC-Asheville

Aidan Hilditch: USC-Sumter

Preston Houser: Coastal Carolina University, USC-Columbia

Sam Lawing: Anderson University, Charleston Southern University, Covenant College, Lees-McRae College, North Greenville University, Newberry College, Presbyterian College, USC-Beaufort, Winthrop University

Ethan Lisenby: The Citadel, Clemson University, Coastal Carolina University, Wofford College, Furman University

Jade Leviner: USC-Columbia, USC-Sumter

Logan Long: Clemson University, UNC-Pembroke (Honors College), Furman University, Gardner-Webb University, USC-Columbia, Wofford College

Jada Mark: University of Georgia

Logan Oxendine: Anderson University, University of Alabama, USC-Columbia, Wofford College

Abby Rourk: Coastal Carolina University, USC-Sumter, USC-Columbia

Lizzie Silvester: Anderson University, University of Alabama, Auburn University, Brevard College, Clemson University, College of Charleston, Furman University, Penn State University, Presbyterian College, North Greenville University, USC-Columbia, Wofford College

SAT / ACT Dates

SAT Date	Registration Deadline	Deadline for Changes
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
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:

"A genuine leader is not a searcher for consensus, but a molder of consensus."

~ Martin Luther King, Jr.

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BIG SHOUT OUT:

Mr. Trever Miller and the NJHS for exceeding their service goal for pet-related food, etc. in support of the SPCA. Great job!

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