



February 26th, 2021

Thomas Sumter Academy

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Dear TSA Generals,

Tenacity. Supports. Achievement. Here we are --- one week out from the end of the third quarter. Stanford 10 testing is next week for our 1st – 8th grade students with TSA SAT Day on March 3rd. Our teachers will be involved with Professional Development on March 5th, a HALF-DAY! All grades will be available March 12th. Can you believe it? Class of 2021 – 50 more school days until graduation!

Please make sure your student gets their work in and remains focused with the eye on the end of the third quarter. Make sure they are well rested for their testing next week as well.



This past Wednesday, we held the Thomas Sumter Academy Science Fair. I just wanted to thank all the judges and students that participated. This was a very well-run event, and the students did an amazing job in presenting their projects to the judges. You could tell a lot of time, energy, passion, and work went into these projects.

“Absolute Value Corner.” Can’t beat this story: <https://www.today.com/food/texas-restaurant-gave-out-500-meals-during-blackout-t209505>.

Our March character trait is **Consistency**: Consistency in what we believe and do. Consistency of purpose. Trust is built with consistency.

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.

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Dr. F.L. Martin III

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UPCOMING EVENTS

MARCH 1 ST	STANFORD 10 TESTING (1 ST – 8 TH GRADE)
MARCH 2 ND	STANFORD 10 TESTING (1 ST – 8 TH GRADE) B-TEAM BASEBALL VS. KING'S (5:00 PM)
MARCH 3 RD	STANFORD 10 TESTING (1 ST – 8 TH GRADE) “SAT ON THE HILL”
MARCH 4 TH	STANFORD 10 TESTING (1 ST – 8 TH GRADE)
MARCH 5 TH	STANFORD 10 TESTING (1 ST – 8 TH GRADE) VARSITY BASEBALL VS. HEATHWOOD HALL (6:00 PM)

DENOTES SPORTING EVENT



Senior Speaks



Last Week, Seniors Chase Cato, Aidan Hilditch, Emily Lorincz, and Jade Leviner gave terrific speeches for this month's Senior Speaks! Great work, Generals!



All-Region Basketball Winners

Varsity Girls

Lindsay Daniel – All-Region

Porter Laney – All-Region Honorable Mention

Varsity Boys

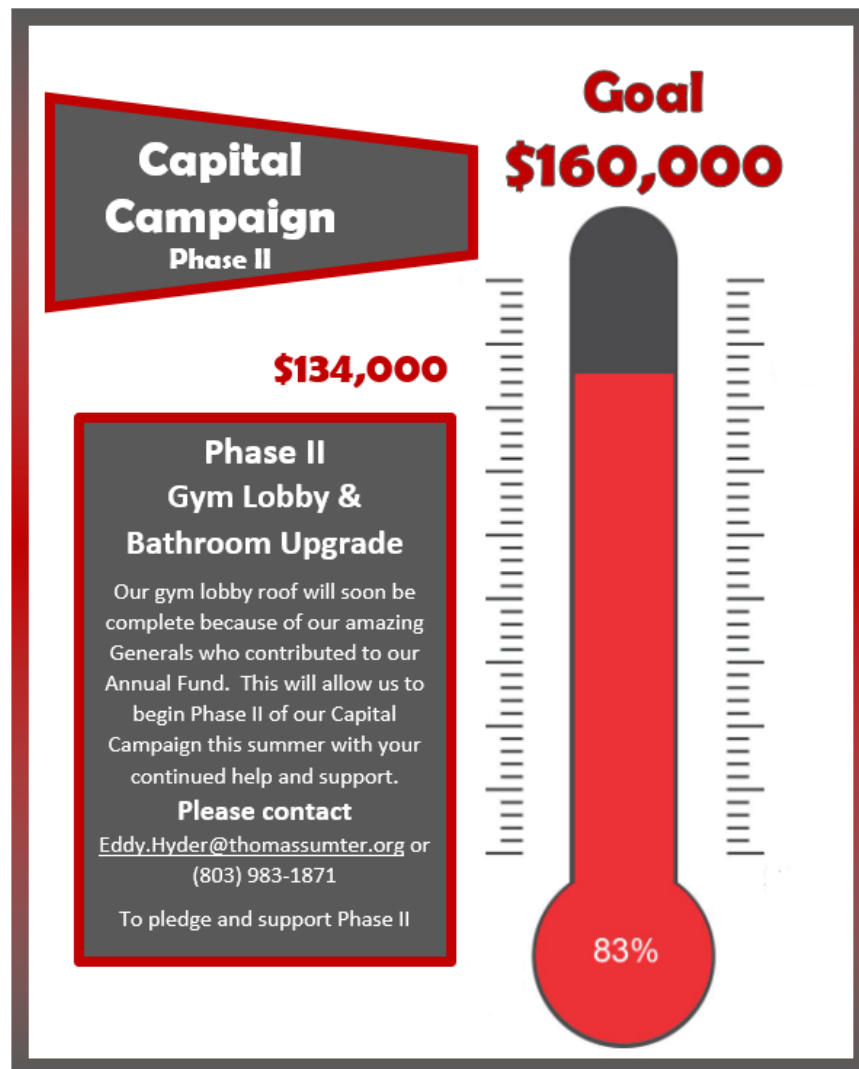
Matthew Hawkins – Region Player of the Year

Ja’Vion Lammie – All-Region

Sam Lawing – All-Region

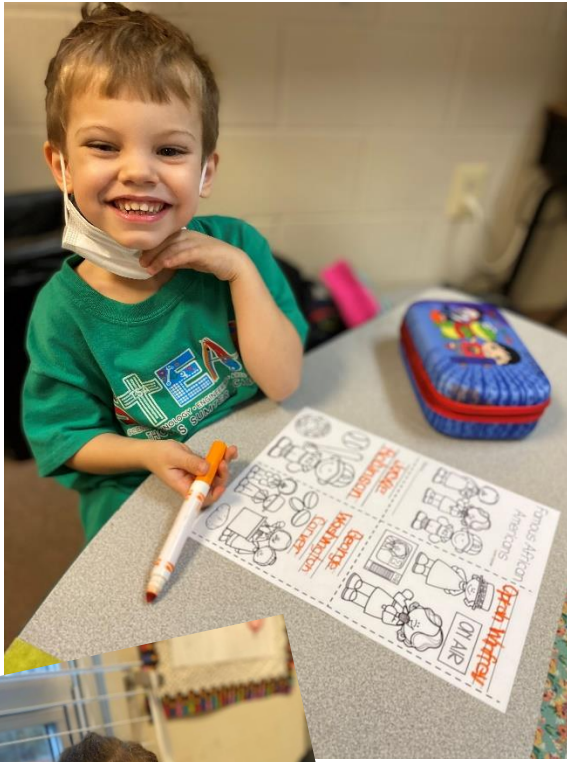
These Basketball Generals were awarded All-Region accolades by other Region coaches for their outstanding performances this season! If you see any of these athletes walking around campus, be sure to tell them Congratulations!

Thank You for Your Contribution!



Repairs to begin soon!

Columbia Campus

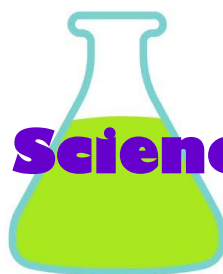


Great Job, Guys!



7th Grader Andrew Conyers and 8th Grader Shiv Patel Were named the American History Essay Winners for the Daughter's of the American Revolution. Their essays have been sent on to the state competition in the 7th and 8th grade divisions. Congrats, guys! What an awesome accomplishment!

2021 Science Fair



Our Science fair this year was a HUGE success! Thank You to Mrs. Matos and the rest of our Science Department for organizing such an awesome event! Our students did a phenomenal job!



Science Fair Winners

Mid-Level Winners

Behavioral, Biology, & Earth Science

1st place - Isabella Boshers & Sadie Cox
2nd place - Skylar Spilker
3rd Place - Luke Richardson

Chemistry

1st place - Riya Patel
2nd place- Landon Baumgartner
3rd place - Emily Arnold

Physics & Engineering

1st place - Trevin Kennison
2nd place - Sara Claire
3rd place - Jackson Boykin

Overall Mid-Level Winners

1st place - Trevin Kennison
2nd place - Riya Patel
3rd place - Isabella Boshers & Sadie Cox

Upper-Level Winners

Behavioral & Biology

1st place - Abby Cox
2nd place - Jake Marshall
3rd place - Augusta Bosone

Chemistry

1st place - Jada Mark
2nd place - Emily Young
3rd Place - Catelyn Dunavant & Jensen Jennings

Physics

1st place - Keegan Distelzweig
2nd place - Jack Dennis
3rd place - Allison Culick

Overall Upper-Level Winners

1st place - Abby Cox
2nd place - Keegan Distelzweig
3rd place - Jack Dennis

Congratulations to all our winners!

D.A.R.E.



On Tuesday, our 5th graders began DARE, a police officer-led series of classroom lessons that teaches children how to resist peer pressure and live productive drug and violence-free lives. A big THANK YOU to Sgt. Hobbs from the Sumter County Sheriff's Department for joining us on "the Hill!"

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

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change!!

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Live

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Cash
Bar

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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!



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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
April 17 th	March 12 th
June 12 th	May 7 th
July 17 th	June 18 th

Quote of the Week:

"There are no secrets to success. It is the result of preparation, hard work, and learning from failure." ~ General Colin Powell, USA, Retired

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BIG SHOUT OUT:

Mrs. Matos for coordinating the 2021 TSA Science Fair! A job well done, Mrs. Matos!

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