



March 5<sup>th</sup>, 2021

Thomas Sumter Academy

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Dear TSA Generals,

Tenacity. Supports. Achievement. Our testing week is over as is the third quarter. We are heading into the fourth quarter and it will be finished before we know it. Class of 2021 – 45 more school days until graduation!

What an awesome week on “The Hill.” B-Team baseball came out with a win against King’s Academy and the Track team did a phenomenal job yesterday at their meet. This past weekend we had some great archers as you will note later in the e-letter. Come out this evening for our Varsity Baseball home-opener and support our Generals.

“Absolute Value Corner:” THE MAN WHO HAD PLENTY: Once there was a family that was not rich and not poor. They lived in Ohio in a small country house. One night they all sat down for dinner, and there was a knock at the door. The father went to the door and opened it. There stood an old man in tattered clothes, with ripped pants and missing buttons. He was carrying a basket full of vegetables. He asked the family if they wanted to buy some vegetables from him. They quickly did because they wanted him to leave. Over time, the family and the old man became friends.

The man brought vegetables to the family every week. They soon found out that he was almost blind and had cataracts on his eyes. But he was so friendly that they learned to look forward to his visits and started to enjoy his company. One day as he was delivering the vegetables, he said, “I had the greatest blessing yesterday! I found a basket of clothes outside my house that someone had left for me.”

The family, knowing that he needed clothes, said, “How wonderful!” The old blind man said, “The most wonderful part is that I found a family that really needed the clothes.” By Jerry Ullman

March character trait is consistency: [Galatians 6:9](#): “And let us not grow weary of doing good, for in due season we will reap, if we do not give up.”

Enjoy your weekend. Stay safe and healthy. I pray you know; my door is always open so please stop by. I appreciate your feedback.

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*Dr. F.L. Martin III*

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# UPCOMING EVENTS

|                              |  |
|------------------------------|--|
| <b>MARCH 5<sup>TH</sup></b>  | <b>STANFORD 10 TESTING (1<sup>ST</sup> – 8<sup>TH</sup> GRADE)</b><br><b>Varsity Baseball vs. Heathwood Hall (6:00 PM)</b>                                   |
| <b>MARCH 8<sup>TH</sup></b>  | <b>SCISA DANCE COMPETITION</b><br><b>B-Team Baseball @ King's Academy (4:00 PM)</b><br><b>Varsity Baseball @ King's Academy (6:00 PM)</b>                    |
| <b>MARCH 9<sup>TH</sup></b>  | <b>CLASS PICTURES- MAIN CAMPUS</b><br><b>Varsity Baseball @ Florence Chr. (5:00 PM)</b>  |
| <b>MARCH 10<sup>TH</sup></b> | <b>CLASS PICTURES &amp; SPRING PORTRAITS- COLUMBIA CAMPUS</b><br><b>HIGH SCHOOL BATTLE OF THE BOOKS</b><br><b>TRACK MEET @ WILSON HALL</b>                   |
| <b>MARCH 11<sup>TH</sup></b> | <b>LOWER SCHOOL RECOGNITION RALLY</b><br><b>B-Team Baseball vs. Trinity Collegiate (4:00 PM)</b><br><b>Varsity Baseball vs. Trinity Collegiate (6:00 PM)</b> |
| <b>MARCH 12<sup>TH</sup></b> | <b>SENIOR GENERAL SPEAKS</b>   |

**DENOTES SPORTING EVENT**



# Week 28





# Our First Track Meet!



**Our running  
Generals did a  
phenomenal job in  
our first track meet  
this season! We had  
tons of fun and even  
had a few of our  
student-athletes  
qualify for state! It is  
going to be an  
amazing season!**



Our B-Team Baseball team got their first win of the season in a HUGE 20-1 victory over King's Academy on Tuesday! Congrats to Coach Trevor Brown on his first win as Head Coach!

Our Varsity Baseball Generals take on Heathwood Hall tonight at 6:00 PM here on "the Hill."

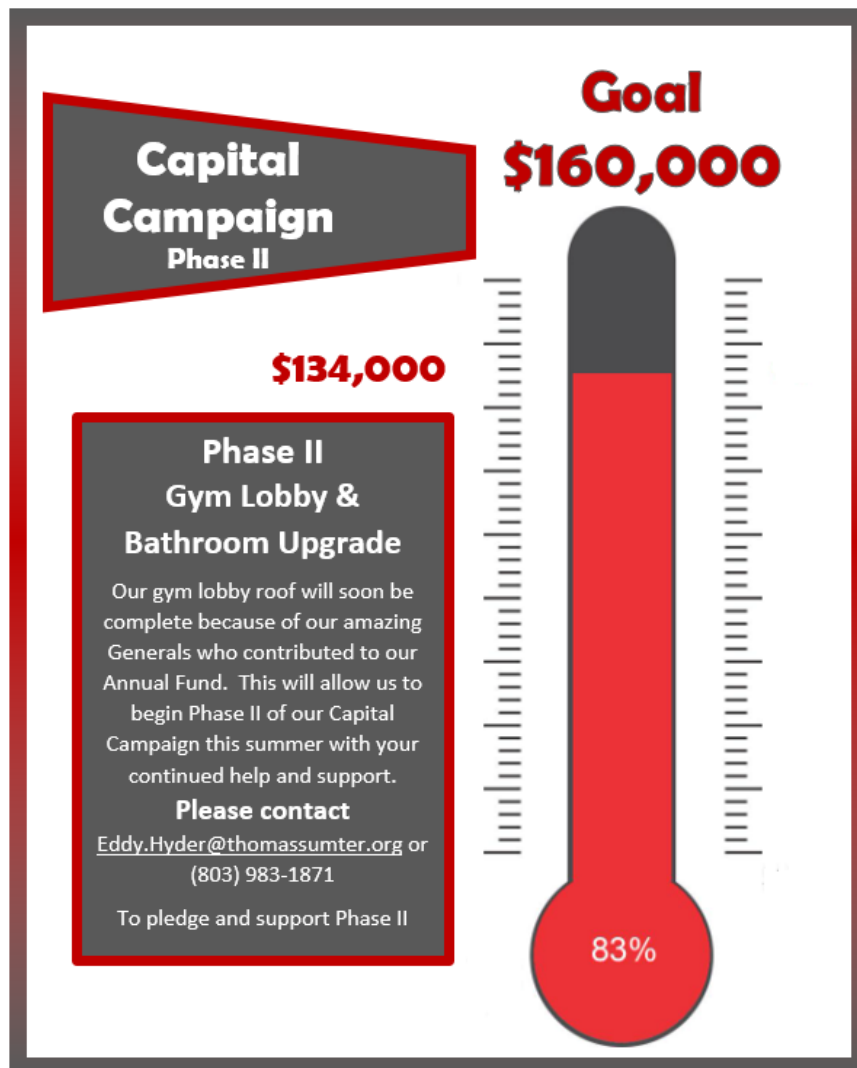


## **Congratulations Gracie!!**



Gracie was selected to attend the  
**Virtual Washington Tour**  
She will receive a \$1,000 scholarship  
and be competing for additional monies over  
the summer as well.  
**Way to go Gracie!!**

# Thank You for Your Contribution!



## Repairs to begin soon!

# *Archery Update*

**Last weekend, our Archery team competed in the N.A.S.P Virtual State Qualifier Tournament. Our High School Team officially qualified for the 2021 State Tournament! We finished Top 10 in the state, which includes SCISA, public schools, home schools, and parochial schools! 1,272 Archers from around the state competed in this qualifying tournament. Congrats, Generals!**

**Ava Teeters** (288 out of 300): placed 1<sup>st</sup> for 9<sup>th</sup> Grade Girls; 2<sup>nd</sup> out of 572 Girls Overall

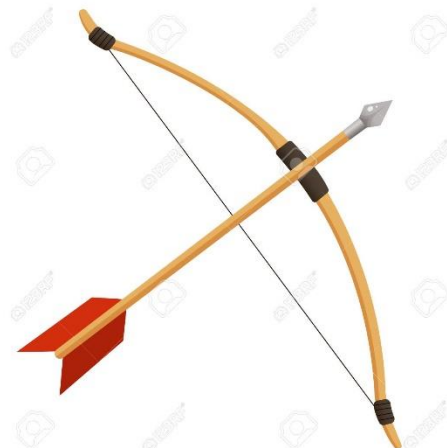
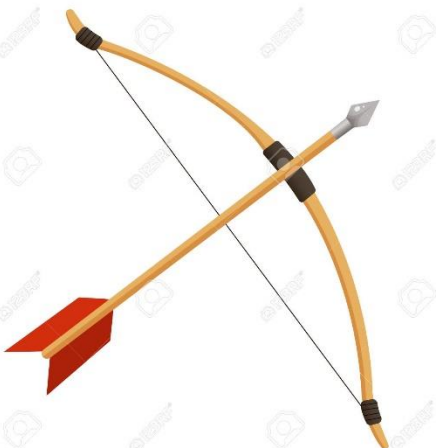
**Abigail Lefevre** (284 out of 300): placed 2<sup>nd</sup> for 9<sup>th</sup> Grade Girls; 9<sup>th</sup> out of 572 Girls Overall

**Jake Marshall** (281 out of 300); placed 2<sup>nd</sup> for 9<sup>th</sup> Grade Boys; 11<sup>th</sup> out of 612 Boys Overall

**Nathan Corns** (269 out of 300): placed 4<sup>th</sup> for 11<sup>th</sup> Grade Boys; 62<sup>nd</sup> out of 612 for Boys Overall

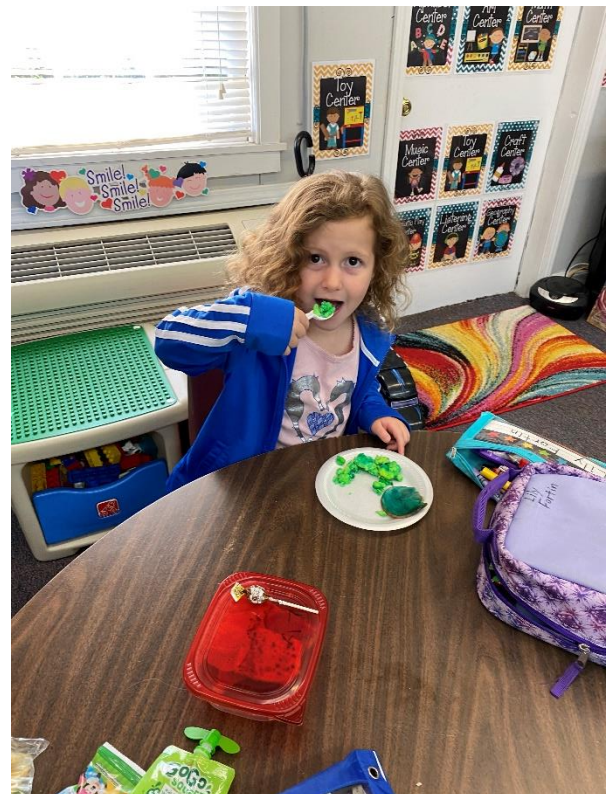
**Wilson Britton** (287 out of 300): placed 1<sup>st</sup> for 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Boys; 2<sup>nd</sup> out of 612 for Boys Overall

**5<sup>th</sup> Grader Kason Carter** qualified for State as an individual in the elementary division, while **8<sup>th</sup> Grader Wilson Britton** qualified as an individual for middle school. TSA will be represented in all three levels at the State Tournament this year. Way to go, Generals!





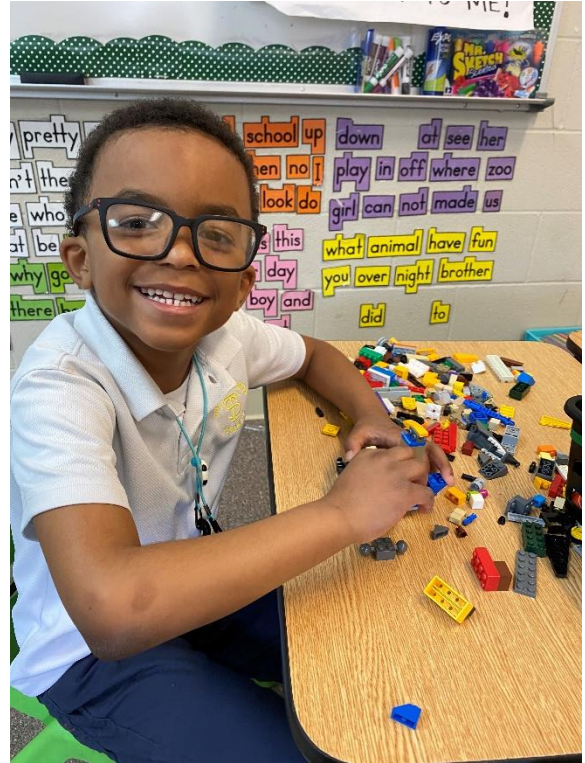
# *Dr. Seuss Day!*



Our Lower School students loved getting to celebrate “Dr. Seuss Day” this week! They even had the chance to eat some good ol’ fashion Green Eggs and Ham! What an awesome day!

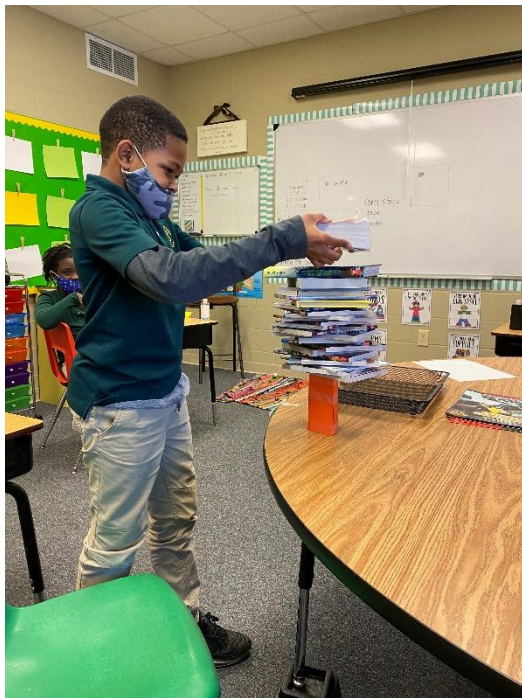
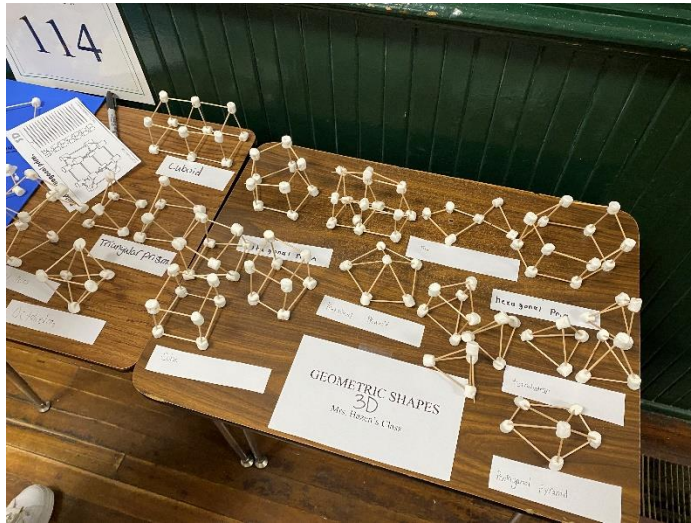


# *Columbia Campus*





# S.T.E.A.M. Projects!



Some of our Generals and their awesome S.T.E.A.M. Projects from last week!



# Friendship Character Trait Winners



Pre-3: Payton Johnson

Pre-4: Nicholas Proett & Cori Rourke

Kindergarten: Ava Boncore & Thomas Laney

1st Grade: Kevin Wells & Keegan Burke

2nd Grade: Bella Jayroe & Finley Monahan

3rd Grade: Taylor Evanson & Zoey Rivers

4th Grade: Alyssandra Harre & Landon McClellan

5th Grade: Brody Jayroe, Ty Fisher, & Juli Tupper

# **MON** *café* JAPAN

**Thomas Sumter Academy  
Mon Café (Sumter) Spirit Night  
Sponsored by TSA PTO**

***Monday, March 8<sup>th</sup>***

***3pm – Close***

**50% of sales to TSA**

**You can order in person, online or by phone but you  
MUST mention or note Thomas Sumter Academy for us to  
receive 50% of the sale. We will have this opportunity**

~~Monday, February 8<sup>th</sup>~~

**Monday, March 8<sup>th</sup>**

**Thursday, April 8<sup>th</sup>**

**Saturday, May 8<sup>th</sup>**



# *Shenanigans 2021*



## **Save the Date**

Saturday, May 8<sup>th</sup>

6:00 pm

Sans Souci Farm

1935 Sans Souci Rd, Sumter

**What is Shenanigans?**

- Silent and Live auction
- Fun extras at this event: Lottery Board, Duck Pond, and MORE
- All items are donated so 100% goes back to TSA

### **WE NEED YOUR HELP**

**Do you know someone who could donate or sponsor this event? See attached for details!**

Please contact Eddy Hyder to volunteer to help with setup, décor, donations, and promoting!!

[Eddy.Hyder@thomassumter.org](mailto:Eddy.Hyder@thomassumter.org)

(803) 983-1871 text or call



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**



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

**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](http://www.thomassumteracademy.org) Development/Make a Gift (note as FMSC donation when choosing category-Development)

# Check Out Our Sideline Store!

[https://sideline.bsnsports.com/schools/south carolina/rembert/thomas-sumter-academy](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, Clemson University

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

**Philip Carino:** Central Carolina Technical College

**Chase Cato:** Charleston Southern University, Central Carolina Technical College

**Zachary Evans:** USC-Sumter

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

**Aidan Hilditch:** USC-Sumter

**Preston Houser:** Alvernia University, Appalachian State University, Clemson University, Coastal Carolina University, Gardner Webb University, Hampden-Sydney College, , Presbyterian College, USC-Columbia

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

**Jade Leviner:** Coastal Carolina University, USC-Columbia, USC-Sumter

**Ethan Lisenby:** Baylor University, The Citadel, Clemson University, USC-Columbia, Coastal Carolina University, Wofford College, Furman University

**Emily Lorincz:** Central Carolina Technical College

**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 <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  |
|------------------------|------------------------|
| 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:

"Don't let what you can't do stop you from doing what you can do." ~ John Wooden

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## BIG SHOUT OUT:

All our Spring Coaches for their hard work  
with our Student-Athletes!

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