

More News

Weekly newsletter of St. Thomas More Catholic School

September 24, 2025

Upcoming events:

Wed, Sept 24 No Cook Night at Riverside Pizza (South Elgin)
Fri, Sept 26 Grandparents Day
Fri, Sept 26 11:30 am dismissal
Fri, Sept 26 STM School Book Fair ends

For a complete STM School Sports Schedule click [HERE](#).

STM Walk-a-thon



STM held its 15th annual school Walk-a-thon last week. As always, it was a fun event and fundraiser for the students. The day went wonderfully; we had beautiful weather and the students had an exhilarating time walking outside to the music with their buddy class. Afterward they enjoyed popcorn and water. Thank you for everyone's support of this exciting event!

Flag Training



8th grade students recently received hands-on training in proper flag etiquette. Post Adjutant Jason Shanahan from the American Legion Post 57 taught students the correct procedures for raising and lowering the American flag, along with the significance behind each step.

Welcome Mr. Rita



STM would like to welcome Mr. Joseph Rita, 4th grade, to the STM school staff. He comes to us with experience teaching at another Illinois Catholic school, and attended Catholic schools growing up. Outside of school, he enjoys spending time with his family and his fiancé. He also enjoys fishing, hiking, and being outdoors. He and his family are parishioners at Sts. Peter and Paul (Cary). If you see him, please introduce yourself and welcome him to the STM family!

New Buddy Bench



STM School has another buddy bench on the playground that was recently donated by the STM Parish Fellowship Group (pictured above). The first bench, donated in 2023, was the result of the group collecting 25,000 bottle caps! STM School is so thankful for all their support of the students, staff, and school.

www.stmelgin.org



Attendance Line:

(847) 742-3959 ext. 154



From the Principal's Desk:

Dear STM families,

This Friday, September 26th, we are hosting Grandparents Day once again! We are so excited to host this event and see all the grandparents. Please remember that invitations already went out to grandparents, and they should have RSVPed by now. That day is also a half day for students with dismissal at 11:30 AM. Aftercare will be available for those who need it. Make sure to volunteer to help out at some events throughout the school year. Many hands make light work, and all our children benefit! All volunteer links can be found on your Family Portal under Announcements. Another upcoming event is Oktoberfest which is being held on Saturday, October 11th. Please join us for food, a beer garden, music, games and more! More information and how to purchase tickets is coming soon. Last Friday we had an STM Spirit Wear Day. It is wonderful seeing the kids showing school pride! If you still need to buy some STM spirit wear or would like to get more items, please visit our online school store found on the school website. Mark your calendars for October 3rd which is Picture Day! Flyers are going home with all the students today with information. Our first No Cook Night is tonight at Riverside Pizza and Pub. Please join us to enjoy some great food and fellowship while supporting the school! Thank you for all your continued support of our school. Have a pleasant and restful weekend.

Blessings,
Mrs. Sonja Keane



St. Thomas More Catholic School



St. Thomas More School

“No Cook Night”

at



456 Redington Dr.

South Elgin, IL. 60177

On Wednesday, September 24th, 2025

All day

Dine in or Carry out

10% of the sales go to our wonderful school.





**JOIN
NOW**

NEW STM
SCHOOL
CHOIR

For 3rd–8th Graders

SIGN UP BY SEPTEMBER 17!

- ✓ Rehearsals Mondays & Wednesdays during recess
- ✓ \$25.00 fee, includes a t-shirt
Make check out to St. Thomas More School.
- ✓ Fits with other activities

Questions?

Ms. Karolina Zawitkowska
kzawitkowska@stmelgin.org



Why Join?

- 🎵 Learn cool songs
- 🐱 Be part of a team
- 🎤 Find your voice
- 🎉 Have fun every week
- 🏆 School pride
- ✝️ Grow in faith

SCHOOL CHOIR
ST. THOMAS MORE



Join the STM School Choir!

School Choir Permission Form

SCHOOL CHOIR
ST. THOMAS MORE

Hello STM families!

My name is Ms. Zawitkowska and I am very excited to join Mr. Horneman in creating our first St. Thomas More School Choir. It will be a wonderful opportunity for our students to learn more about liturgical and choral music in a new setting. In choir, they will have the chance to enhance their vocal skills, work on even stronger musical literacy, learn what it means to be part of an ensemble, and have even more opportunities for musical expression.

Some important information:

- School choir is available to all students in the 3rd through 8th grade.
- School choir will take place DURING the school day on Monday and Wednesday during recess time. Students will still have a lunch period.
- Students will perform at some school events, along with a few church/community events associated with St. Thomas More School and Church.
- The fee to join is \$25 which includes the cost of choir shirts for special events along with the music that the students will be performing. Checks should be made out to **St. Thomas More School**.

Upcoming event dates:

- Sunday, Oct. 26th, 10AM Mass @ St. Thomas More Church
- Wednesday, Nov. 12, Veterans Day assembly at STM School
- School Christmas program (will already attend with entire school)
- Wednesday, Dec 24, 4PM Christmas Eve Mass @ St. Thomas More Church

All questions can be directed to Ms. Zawitkowska and/or Mr. Horneman. Permission slips should be turned in to Ms. Zawitkowska by **September 17th** during the school day in an envelope with the \$25 fee included. Thank you!

Karolina Zawitkowska
kzawitkowska@stmelgin.org

Tim Horneman
music@stthomasmorechurch.org

I give my child (student's name) _____ permission to join the STM School choir and attend all choir rehearsals and performances unless otherwise communicated to with Ms. Zawitkowska and/or Mr. Horneman.

Student's Name: _____ Grade Level: _____

Parent signature: _____

Shirt Size: (Circle one) child-L child-XL Adult-XS A-S A-M A-L A-XL



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ST. EDWARD CENTRAL CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL



2026-27 Admissions Calendar & Events

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SEPTEMBER

2025

9/22: Middle School Volleyball Night
9/22: Middle School Girls Flag Football Night
9/23 - 9/25: VIP Shadow Days
9/27: Middle School Football/Soccer Night

OCTOBER

2025

10/1: New Student Application/HSPT Registration Opens
www.stedhs.org/admission-process
10/4: Open House 10am - 12pm

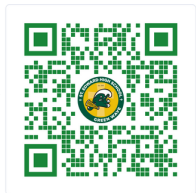
NOVEMBER

2025

11/6: Open House 5:30pm - 7pm
11/15: Class of 2030 HSPT 9am-12pm

(Merit based scholarships available this testing date only)

PLEASE RSVP



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JANUARY

2026

1/23: 7th & 8th grade dance @ St. Edward - 6-8p; RSVP to come

1/25: Class of 2030 HSPT 12pm- 3pm (final opportunity)

OTHER INFORMATION

Financial Aid applications open November 1, 2025.
www.stedhs.org/financial-aid

March 5, 2026: Class of 2030 Course Selection Night!

FREE

Children's Orthopedic Clinic

Does your child:

- ***Complain of leg, knee, shoulder, elbow or wrist pain?***
- ***Complain about back pain? •Curvature of the spine.***

Wednesday, October 22, 2025 - 2:00-4:00 PM

(By Appointment Only)

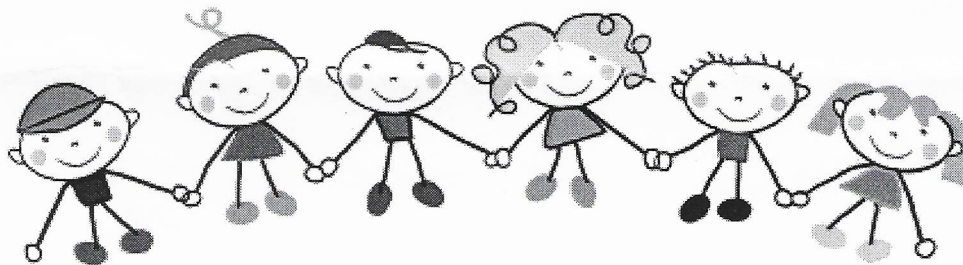
Scott Ferry, Physician

Held at:

OrthoIllinois

1550 N. Randall Road

Elgin, IL



Please Call 1-800-272-0074

Between 9 and 4 M-F to register for clinic.

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