



# St. Thomas More Catholic School

*Celebrating 65 years of building bright futures with faith-based education.*



## ***Fast Facts About STM:***

- ◇ Founded September 19, 1960
- ◇ Part of St. Thomas More Catholic Church, which was founded March 23, 1959
- ◇ Offering grades Pre-school to 8th
- ◇ Providing a Catholic curriculum that instills faith and promotes academic excellence, creativity, and diversity.
- ◇ Accredited by the Illinois State Board of Education and the Diocese of Rockford
- ◇ Enrollment: Approximately 175 students in grades pre-K-8
- ◇ Student to Teacher Ratio: 18:1
- ◇ Extended Care Programs are available
- ◇ Extracurriculars include Band, Sports, Fine Arts programs, and Chess
- ◇ Tuition assistance available

## **Our History**



St. Thomas More Catholic School began as a Catholic elementary school with Grades 1-5 on September 19, 1960. Expansion to the school in 1992 led to current enrollment for grades Preschool through 8th. STM is recognized by the Diocese of Rockford and the State of Illinois as a fully accredited educational institution.

Recognizing individual talents and abilities, we provide an educational program that allows children to develop to their fullest extent as whole and responsible Catholic persons. Guided by the grace and power of the Holy Spirit, we seek to empower students with the values, knowledge, and skills required to thrive and positively contribute in today's Church and world.

## **Academics and Beyond**



St. Thomas More Catholic School is motivated to meet the standards of its students. Students are provided a curriculum that challenges them to discover and not just learn. The curriculum for students in grades PreK-8 is arranged to contribute to the total development of the child spiritually, academically, socially, and physically with technology integrated to enhance the teaching and learning. Students learn with the benefits of technology using computers and Chromebooks on a 1:1 ratio.

Student life extends beyond the walls of the classrooms at STM. Whether it's enriching the academic experience by witnessing a solar eclipse or getting involved in extra-curricular activities like band, sports, Chess club, or enrichment classes in science, art, and drama. STM offers supplemental activities and classes for all grades.

## **Our Faculty**



St. Thomas More School Faculty is comprised of lay teachers who are very committed to Catholic education. All of our staff endeavor not only to teach Catholic doctrine and values, but to help the students live the Catholic message in their daily lives. The faculty gives generously of themselves to provide the best quality education for each child. In partnership with the family, the school will help each child develop to his or her greatest potential.

Our highly qualified staff all hold Bachelor's degrees, with the majority holding a Master's degree. The combined years teaching experience of the staff totals more than 300 years!

**Be part of More... St. Thomas More!**



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St. Thomas More Catholic School is associated with St. Thomas More Parish. We are located on Elgin's west side.

To schedule a school visit,  
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### **Non-Discrimination Policy**

St. Thomas More School admits students of any gender, race, color, religion, national and ethnic origin to all the rights, privileges, programs, and activities generally accorded or made available to students in this school. The school does not discriminate on the basis of gender, race, color, religion, or national and ethnic origin in administration of its