

ST. THOMAS AQUINAS

CATHOLIC SECONDARY SCHOOL



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CATHOLIC SCHOOL

- ▶ Region: London Catholic
- ▶ Community: London

1360 Oxford St. West
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NOTE: The school accepts students of **all faiths and religions (as well as non-religious)**. Student are asked to respect the Catholic nature of the school, and follow moral and ethical codes of conduct guided by this faith.

Overview

Grades offered: 9 – 12
Year Built: 1991
School Population: 750
Average class size: 22
School colours: Red & Black
School Team Name: Dragons

Highlights

- Hockey Skills Academy
- Archery, Rowing, Rock Climbing, and Rappelling offered as extra-curricular activities
- Robotics Club

Subjects available:

Core	Arts	Social Sciences	Other
English	Dance	History	Business Studies
French	Drama	Geography	Computer Studies
Mathematics	Music –	Civics & Law	Culinary Studies
Science	<i>instrumental,</i>	Law (<i>gr 11, 12</i>)	Technology & Manufacturing –
Religious Studies	<i>Vocal,</i>	Family Studies	<i>Automotive/Transportation Tech,</i>
	Visual Arts	Food & Nutrition	<i>Communications Construction, Drafting,</i>
			<i>Engineering, Mechanical,</i>
			Tourism & Hospitality
			Health & Physical Education

Daily Schedule: SEMESTER SYSTEM (High School)

The High School operates on a semester system. Students take 4 courses per semester.
Total annual = 8 courses. The class schedule allows for 5 x 75 minute classes daily including lunch

Announcements & Period 1	08:00 – 09:20
Period 2	09:25 – 10:40
Period 3 + Lunch 1	10:45 – 12:00 (lunch: 10:45 – 11:25)
Period 4 + Lunch 2	11:30 – 12:45 (lunch: 12:05 – 12:45)
Period 5	12:50 – 14:05

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School facilities: *school sits on a 8.180 hectare campus*

- Classrooms (with smartboards/computers)
- Computer labs + use of laptops
- Science labs
- Art room
- Dance studio
- Drama room
- Music room
- Multimedia centre
- Theatre (seating for 350)
- Double Gymnasium
- 3 Sports fields & Running track
- Indoor running track
- Weight room/fitness centre
- Technology: *Automotive, Drafting, Mechanical Woodworking, Culinary, Textiles*
- Cafeteria
- Library/Learning Commons
- Chapel
- Air-conditioning
- Service / Therapy dog (Holly)

Sports available: *offerings may change annually*

Fall Sports	Winter Sports	Spring Sports
Basketball – Jr/Sr Girls	Basketball – Jr & Sr Boys	Badminton
Cross Country running	Hockey – Boys	Baseball– Boys
Football - Jr/Sr Boys	Hockey - Girls	Golf
Golf	Swimming	Soccer - Sr Boys
Volleyball – Jr/Sr Boys	Volleyball – Jr/Sr Girls	Soccer - Sr Girls
		Tennis
		Track and Field



STA Hockey Academy

Open to students in **grades 9-10**, the Hockey Canada Skills Academy will help student athletes improve and enrich their individual hockey skills, while developing their personal fitness. This course will emphasize building character through achieving both athletic and scholastic success. On ice sessions led by highly trained staff, strength and conditioning designed to maximize physical attributes, and a focus on leadership, citizenship and career exploration will position the student athlete to achieve their individual goals. Additional fees apply.

Extra-curricular activities may include: *offerings may change annually*

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| Archery Club | Drama | Prom | Rowing Club |
| Aviation Club | Environment Club | Rapelling Club | Rock Climbing Club |
| Concert & Jazz Band | Library Club | Reading Club | Student Council |
| Choir (jazz) | Peer Helping | Robotics Club | Yearbook |
| Computer Club | | | |

Mission Statement:

The purpose of St. Thomas Aquinas Catholic Secondary School is to present the Catholic tradition and teachings in all our pedagogy to prepare our students to meet the demands of modern life within the context of the gospel

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Special Features:

- Located in the north-west sector of London, adjacent to the popular “Byron” subdivision
- Highly athletic school – excels in many sports
- The school is well known throughout South-Western Ontario as a school with a proud tradition of strong academic focus, tremendous athletic successes, and magnificent artistic performances and programmes, all embedded within a community that celebrates its Catholic faith first and foremost
- School offers a number of SHSM (Specialist High Skills Major) programmes in the Arts, Health & Wellness, Technology, Construction, Sports Management and Non-Profit sectors. *(Multi-year/diploma pathway registration is required to be considered for a SHSM programme)*

Uniform:

All uniform items **must** be purchased from RJ McCarthy: www.rjmccarthy.com
 There is also a local store located in London (431 Newbold St)

All items must have the STA Logo and the R. J. McCarthy label/trademark:

	FEMALE	MALE
MANDATORY ITEMS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Oxford shirt (short or long-sleeved) • golf shirt (short or long-sleeved) • rugby shirt 	
	The following must be worn with any of the above collared shirts or with a plain short sleeved crew-neck T-shirt in white or black solid colours only: (no writing, stripes, images or logos) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • sweatshirt in grey or black • long sleeve V-neck sweater in grey • vest sweater in black • fleece vest in black • zip polo sweatshirt 	
	pants in black or khaki shorts in black or khaki kilt Capri style pants	pants in black or khaki shorts in black or khaki
	Socks or tights that are worn must be in solid white, black, red, or grey colours.	Socks must be in solid white, black, red, or grey colours.
SHOES	Footwear of no extreme colour must be appropriate and in good repair. It should be noted that wearing sandal type footwear is hazardous with stair climbing and related school activities. The school is not responsible for any personal injury related to the wearing of sandal type footwear.	
PHYS ED	Physical Education Tshirts/shorts (approx. \$25) – purchased at school	

- Uniforms are to be worn throughout the school day, and at all times while on school property (including the smoking area and parking lot) from the time of arrival at school until 15 minutes after the last bell. Students must be in uniform throughout the school day.
- Uniforms are to be neat, clean, and in good repair (no altering of style or colour)
- Shorts and skirts are to be worn at knee level.

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- Extreme over-sizing or under-sizing is not allowed.
- All uniform shirts must be buttoned.
- No tucking of pant legs into footwear.
- Any type of head covering (including hats, bandanas, headbands, and kerchiefs) is not to be worn in the school.

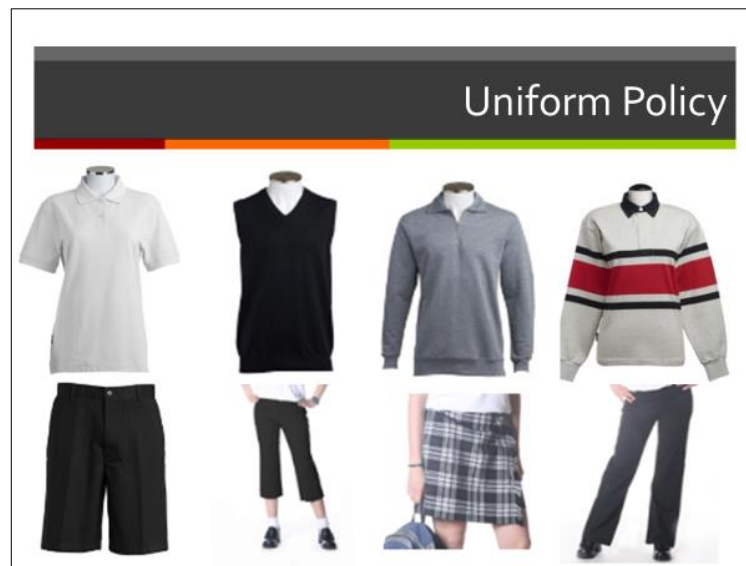
Hair should be kept clean, neat, and reasonably styled. No extreme hair colours or styles (such as Mohawks) will be allowed.

Wristbands of any type are not part of the school's uniform and thus cannot be worn.

Face jewelry, other than earrings, is not allowed.

The wearing of non-uniform clothing over or under the STA uniform is not allowed.

"CIVVIES" DAYS: The expectations of appropriate attire, which govern all of us, are still in place during all Civvies days. Clothing worn on a 'Civvies' Day should be modest and appropriate to the Catholic School/classroom environment. Spirit Wear may be worn on Civvies Days.



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