



Saint Thomas More Academy, Inc.  
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Dear Families, Faculty, and Staff of Saint Thomas More Academy,

God has indeed been blessing our school. From the beginning, we have experienced so many unexpected graces, from the families we have gathered to the faculty and administration we have hired. Today we write to share another surprise blessing.

We have always been committed to building the best Catholic school in the country. One of the most important ways to achieve this is to hire world-class teachers for our students. We are pleased to announce that Dr. Jason Baxter, associate professor of fine arts and humanities at Wyoming Catholic College, has just agreed to become a Teacher and Writer in Residence at STMA, starting in the 2022-2023 academic year! Dr. Baxter's primary research interests include medieval and Renaissance ideas of beauty, the long-lived legacy of the thought of Plato, and the poetry of Dante. He is also interested in medieval mysticism, humanism, the relationship between the Middle Ages and the Renaissance, and, increasingly, the relationship between science and the arts. Most importantly, Dr. Baxter is a master teacher and expositor who will inspire our students to deepen their love of reality and the God who made it (please learn more about Dr. Baxter by watching his interviews at [JasonMBaxter.com](http://JasonMBaxter.com)).

What this means for Saint Thomas More Academy next year is that we will be able to add even more grades than we believed. **Today we are officially announcing that STMA will open to a limited number of seventh through tenth grade students for the 2022-2023 academic year.** At this point, we are planning to have a combined 6/7 classroom, and a combined 8/9/10 classroom; with enough students, we would have a distinct 6th together with a combined 7/8 classroom and a combined 9/10 classroom. Dr. Baxter will likely teach Integrated Humanities, Latin, and Writing to both classrooms. The 6-10 curriculum will also include math, science, philosophy, theology, Greek, art, and music. We will have several different Math tracks for each combined classroom, but one teacher. Extracurriculars will depend on how many students we have and on the generosity of parent volunteers. Tuition (before any assistance) will be \$8200 per student. Of course, this will be a new adventure with new challenges, but with

amazing scholar-teachers like Dr. Baxter to help our already stellar faculty and administrators, we are confident that we'll be able to provide a rich, faith-filled education to our students.

If you are interested in learning more about seventh through tenth grade at STMA, please contact our wonderful head of school, Tony at [abies@stmasb.org](mailto:abies@stmasb.org). Thank you to each of you for all you do to make STMA such a grace-filled community.

Yours,

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