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**ST. THOMAS AQUINAS COLLEGE
TO HOST FALL OPEN HOUSE**

(SPARKILL, NY – October 24, 2008) – St. Thomas Aquinas College will host a Fall Open House for high school, transfer and adult students interested in the College's undergraduate degree offerings, on Sunday, November 9, 11a.m. to 3p.m., on the College's campus.

Tours of St. Thomas' 48-acre campus will include visits to the Sullivan Theatre, Costello Hall, a 21st century arts, science and technology building, and the College's technology corridor in Spellman Hall. Several computer labs, including a Macintosh-outfitted graphic design lab and a foreign language lab are housed in the Technology Corridor.

Students and family members can tour the award-winning McNelis Commons townhouse complex, home to resident students. McNelis Commons has a central dining hall and laundry facility. A new residence hall is currently under construction in Aquinas Village, an independent residence complex increasing residence capacity to 250.

Tours will include the Loughheed Library and the Joseph F. Romano Student-Alumni Center, which houses the College's student personnel service offices, and facilities such as the campus store, Spartan Grille, and the Thomist Yearbook, Thoma Student Newspaper, and WSTK, the campus radio station.

"The Open House is an excellent way for high school students to gain insight into our offerings and get a first hand look at our campus," said Mr. Vin Crapanzano, the College's Dean of Enrollment Management and Marketing.

Presentations will focus on How to Meet College Costs, Academic Life at St. Thomas, Living on Campus, Student Activities, and The Admissions and Financial Aid Process.

Individuals can discuss academic offerings with members of the faculty. In addition, information regarding the College's Honors Programs, the Higher Education Opportunity Program (HEOP), the Pathways program (students with learning process dysfunction) and scholarship opportunities will be available.

MORE ABOUT ST. THOMAS

The College's 2,700 full and part time students can choose from over 60 different majors, minors, specializations, and dual degree programs across five divisions: The Humanities; Business Administration; Social Sciences; Natural Sciences & Mathematics; and Teacher Education or are enrolled in one of our graduate programs. St. Thomas has expanded its offerings to include: a Master of Science in Education with specializations in Literacy, Special Education, and Educational Leadership, a Post Masters Certificate program in Education, a Master of Science in Teaching, a Master of Business Administration program, a Bachelor of Arts, Bachelor of Science and Bachelor of Science in Education, and an Associate of Arts and an Associate of Science degree, the latter two offered at the West Point Military Academy. The College's 48-acre campus is on Route 340 in Sparkill, Rockland County. Information on any of the College's programs is available from the Office of Admissions and Financial Aid (845) 398-4100 or online at www.stac.edu.