



ST. THOMAS THE APOSTLE SCHOOL HAS BEEN RECOGNIZED AND AWARDED



2019 NATIONAL BLUE RIBBON AWARD

In 2019 St. Thomas the apostle School received the National Blue Ribbon School of Excellence Award. This award honors exemplary high performing schools as measured by state assessments or nationally normed tests.



2019 ARCHDIOCESE OF PHILADELPHIA SCHOOL OF DISTINGUISHED INSTRUCTION

St. Thomas the Apostle School recognized as School of Distinguished Instruction for 2019 from the Archdiocese of Philadelphia. The criteria was based on the last two years of their Terra Nova results.

STA is being recognized for either exceeding growth expectations or benchmarks in academic achievement via standardized testing. *Recognition for Growth* is determined by an analysis of the *Normal Curve Equivalent* (NCE) scores of two consecutive years the Terra Nova standardized test scores. If a class has the same NCE as the previous year, they have shown more than a full year's growth. Taking into consideration a margin of error of +/- 5, St. Thomas the Apostle School showed between 90% and 100% growth at every grade level tested in every content area.



MIDDLE STATES ACCREDITATION

St. Thomas the Apostle School is fully accredited by the Middle States Commission of Elementary Schools. In 2006 & 2013 St. Thomas the Apostle School successfully demonstrated that it is effectively advancing the quality of educational experiences it offers students and meets responsibilities to the public and profession of education and complies with standards for accreditation that are established by the Middle States Association.



NATIONAL CATHOLIC EDUCATION ASSOCIATION

St. Thomas the Apostle School is a member of the NCEA, which is the largest, private professional education association in the world. NCEA provides Catholic educators ongoing faith formation, educational resources, and professional development and serves as the voice for Catholic schools.