

# PARTNERS

January 2010

Aquinas High School

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## AQUINAS HS COMMUNITY IS ALWAYS GIVING

### STUDENTS STEP OUT OF THEIR COMFORT ZONE

Aquinas High School students celebrated its fourth *Mix-It-Up Day*. *Mix-It-Up Day* is a nationally celebrated day of tolerance sponsored by the Southern Poverty Law Center's Teaching Tolerance Program to break down barriers. The program started in 2000 with two million students participating throughout the country. Sponsored by the Student Council, students were invited to break down the walls of comfort and sit with someone they did not know. During lunch time, Aquinas students picked a souvenir color and sat at the table with the balloon matching that color. Once again, Aquinas HS students demonstrated their school spirit and sisterhood with each other.



### WEAR YOUR CAP TO SCHOOL DAY AT AQUINAS



Aquinas High School students celebrated *Caps for a Cause*. Students and faculty participated by wearing their choice of hats, baseball caps, and even sombreros. The funds collected were donated to the international non-for-profit organization *Caps for Kids*. *Wear Your Cap to School Day* is a nation-wide initiative dedicated to raising awareness and funds for children who have been diagnosed with and are being treated for cancer.

## AQUINAS HS STUDENTS SIGN PETITION OF SUPPORT



Aquinas's "Seeds of Solidarity" club has joined with the United Nations Blue Heart Campaign, an awareness initiative to fight human trafficking. To raise the consciousness of Aquinas students, members of the club prepared a DVD to document the tragedy and its impact on our society. On December 10, Human Rights day, students distributed Blue Hearts and invited others to sign the petition. They also sent letters to the Canadian Prime Minister urging him to support Megan's Law and to work to ensure the safety of all events associated with the 2010 Winter Olympics.

Aquinas' "Seeds of Solidarity" is committed to raising awareness of the student body to human rights abuses and how teenagers can make a difference.



## Students Give the Gift of Life

On January 14, over 70 Aquinas High School students and faculty rolled up their sleeve to donate blood to the New York Blood Center. Eligible juniors and seniors were excited to be actively involved in saving lives through their donation!



### 8th Grade Reminders

**School Tours**—Missed the Open House? Parents and students interested in taking a tour of Aquinas HS may call the Admissions Office (718) 367-2113, Ext. 137 to arrange for a visit.

**Don't Forget**—Acceptance Letters were mailed on January 14, 2010.



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### SCHOOL PROFILE:

Sponsored by the Dominican Sisters of Sparkill  
Accredited by Middle States Association  
of Colleges and Secondary Schools  
Year Founded: 1923  
Enrollment: 675  
Graduation Rate: 100%  
Graduates Pursuing Post-Secondary Education: 99%  
College Scholarship Awarded to the Class of 2009:  
\$13,500,000  
School Website: [www.aquinashs.org](http://www.aquinashs.org)  
TACHS ID: #213