



# St. Pius X High School



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APOSTLE OF THE  
MOST HOLY EUCHARIST

**CELEBRATING 60 YEARS OF  
ACADEMIC EXCELLENCE, TRADITION, AND SPIRITUALITY.**



### **MISSION STATEMENT**

St. Pius X High School is a Catholic community dedicated to the education of the whole person in an environment where extraordinary care and concern for the individual is ordinary.

### **VISION STATEMENT**

We, the Catholic learning community of St. Pius X High School, strive to maintain recognized excellence in all educational programs for students of all abilities. We strive to impart Christian ethical principles of living to students, preparing them to be productive and contributing members of a global society. We, as members of the St. Pius X High School community, seek to challenge each other individually to become lifelong learners in mind, body, and soul.

### **ST. PIUS X HISTORY**

Founded in 1959, St. Pius X High School is a co-ed, four-year, college preparatory school fully accredited by AdvancED and the state of Missouri. St. Pius X High School includes a community of 300 students and a staff of caring teachers and administrators. St. Pius X serves both Catholic and non-Catholic students. We continue to grow in population and our up-to-date curriculum meets today's expanding standards in academics.





## *At St. Pius X, we offer...*

- Faith-filled environment with daily prayer
- Strong, competitive academic curriculum
- Honors program that recognizes academic and extracurricular excellence
- College credit programs through Saint Louis University and UMSL
- Learning consultant and academic resources
- School counselor and a therapy dog
- House System that fosters student engagement, school spirit and sense of community
- Lunch Hour — 60 minutes every day for dining, study, meetings, and more
- Wellness Program

*...a solid foundation of education and values  
to prepare our students for life.*



## *Spiritual Growth and Support*

St. Pius X is a school community animated by the Catholic Faith. This is reflected by how we worship God, how we learn what is True, how we treat each other, and how we serve our community.

### **WAYS TO GROW IN FAITH**

- Daily prayer and Angelus
- Weekly Mass, adoration, confession, chanting of the Divine Mercy Chaplet and Stations of the Cross during Lent
- Annual Pro-Life March trip to Washington D.C.
- Yearly retreats for each class
- Outreach to area 2nd grade students in preparation for their First Communion
- Service Learning Project
- Fundraising for St. Baldrick's Childhood Cancer Research



**"RESTORE ALL THINGS IN CHRIST."**

- POPE ST. PIUS X

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St. Pius X High School is a close community that allows me to grow as a person and as a student. Everyone is genuinely caring. I am thankful for the choice I made because it has proven to be the correct one.

Layla Schaeffer, Class of 2020



## Academic Excellence

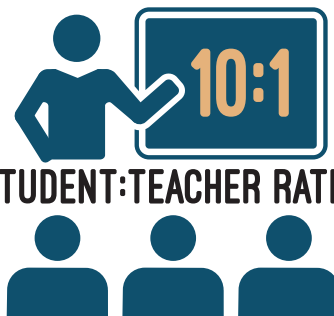


### ACADEMIC ASSISTANCE AND SUPPORT SERVICES

- House mentors
- School counselor
- Our therapy dog, Brandy
- Learning consultant
- College counselor
- CARE Team
- Peer mentoring
- Tutoring



**17 AVERAGE CLASS SIZE**



**10:1**  
**STUDENT:TEACHER RATIO**

**60%**  
**OF FACULTY AND STAFF HAVE ADVANCED DEGREES**



**41%**  
**OF ST. PIUS TEACHERS HAVE TAUGHT HERE 15+ YEARS**



I choose to attend St. Pius X High School because of the spirituality, academics, and house system. The college 683 program also drew me to St. Pius because it showed me that this school is dedicated to helping each student find what is best for them in their future.

Hannah Lifka, Class of 2022



## College and Career Readiness

At St. Pius X High School, college and career counseling starts freshman year and continues through the application and admissions decision process for seniors. 100% of our graduates move on to post-secondary education, be it career-prep programs, community colleges or four year colleges and universities.

College representatives, recruiters from the armed forces and trade and technical program from across the country visit campus to meet with our students.



### COLLEGE

38 Hours  
offered through

SLU

UMSL

### CREDIT

### 683 PROGRAM

The innovative 683 Program started over 15 years ago and is unique to St. Pius X. What is it? 6 trips to 8 different colleges in the student's first 3 years at SPX.

It offers students the opportunity to visit universities in a variety of settings - urban, rural, small-town - that come in a variety of sizes, with student populations ranging from 760-9,500 undergraduates.



St. Pius X High School is proud to be a participant in Missouri's A+ Program, which provides students with funding to attend an in-state community college, technical or vocational school.



## *Leadership Development*

St. Pius X students become leaders who are visionary, grounded upon strong moral principles and who lead with empathy and by example to inspire, to serve, and to leave a collective legacy.

Our Honor Code includes three fundamental principles:

### **ACADEMIC HONESTY, ETHICAL INTEGRITY, SOCIAL CONDUCT**

Students develop leadership through:

- House Council
- Student Ambassadors
- National Honor Society
- Student of the Month
- Executive Council
- Class officers
- Service Learning
- Athletics
- Fine Arts
- Clubs & Organizations



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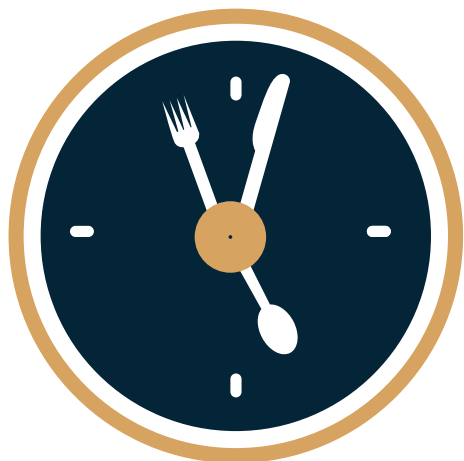
I like attending St Pius for a few reasons. One of them is the hour lunch because it helps me study for upcoming tests and talk with teachers if I have any problems with the work they assigned.

Nolan Hall, Class of 2020



## *The Lunch Hour*

At St. Pius X, the **Lunch Hour is just that - one full hour**, splitting the day's schedule of six classes. The entire building and back lawn are available for students to socialize and eat, meet with teachers for tutoring, or participate in club meetings.



1 FULL HOUR  
**LUNCH HOUR**

**Study with Student Groups**

**Attend Club or Sport Meetings**

**Tutoring Available**

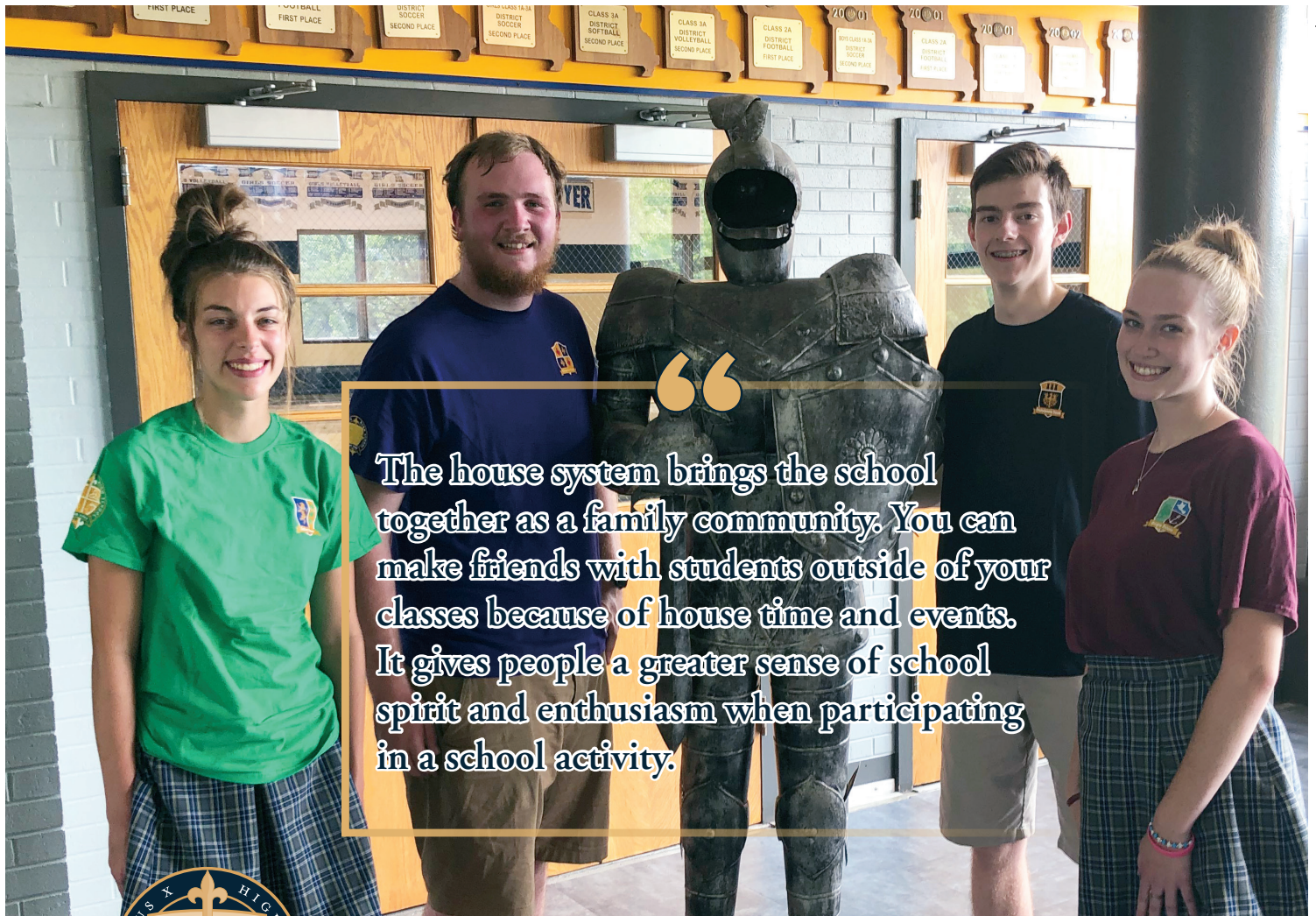
**Workout**

**Attend Mass**

**Meet with Faculty**

**Meet with College Reps**





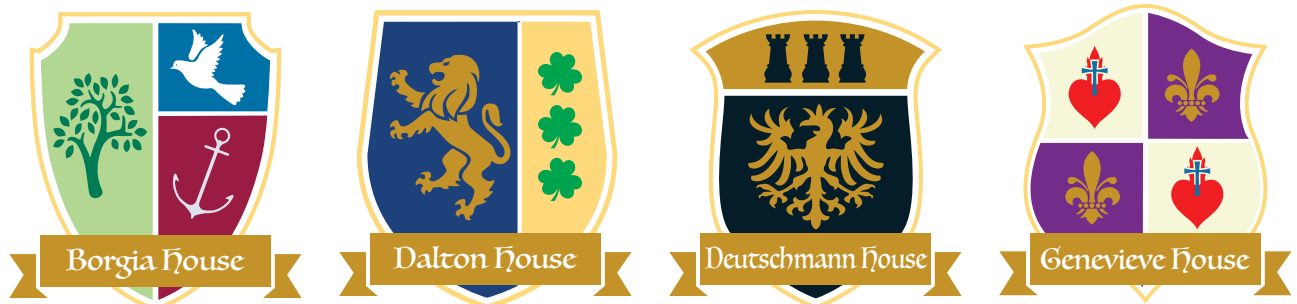
“The house system brings the school together as a family community. You can make friends with students outside of your classes because of house time and events. It gives people a greater sense of school spirit and enthusiasm when participating in a school activity.”



## House System

The House System fosters student engagement, school spirit and a sense of community through the assignment of every student, teacher, and staff member into one of the four Houses. Houses create small communities where students can interact with all grade levels while encouraging accountability, communication, tradition, academic excellence, and friendly competition.

## FOUR HOUSES...ONE SCHOOL



### Houses provide opportunities for St. Pius X students to:

- Become an important part of SPX community at their Induction Night
- Participate in Wednesday morning activities and Marquee Events such as sports, games, performances, and other after-school activities where house points can be earned, leading to the annual House of the Year award, and represent their House by wearing their House t-shirt and colors on Wednesdays
- Develop a sense of community and legacy through participation



# Getting Involved

## CLUBS & ORGANIZATIONS

**Ambassadors**  
**Art Guild**  
**Chair Crew**  
**Chess Club**  
**Common Sense Society**  
**Circle Theater**

**Executive Council**  
**House Council**  
**Fishing Club**  
**Future Business Leaders of America**  
**Lacrosse Club**  
**National Honor Society**



## FINE ARTS



### MUSIC

The St. Pius X High School Music Department offers students the opportunity to participate in the following performing ensembles:

**Concert Band | Jazz Band | Beginning Band**  
**Concert Choir | Beginning Choir**

### ART

The St. Pius X High School Art Department strives to develop the artistic ability in each student giving instruction in the following disciplines:

**Drawing | Painting | Pottery | Sculpture**

### THEATRE

Offered as an extracurricular club, the Circle Theatre performs two plays per year. Students wishing to perform audition for roles. Any student may participate in the backstage crew. Students also take part in the MSHSAA Speech and One Act Competition.



# Athletics, Activities & Wellness



## BOYS

BASEBALL  
BASKETBALL  
CROSS COUNTRY  
FOOTBALL  
GOLF  
SOCCER  
TENNIS  
TRACK & FIELD  
WEIGHTLIFTING

# HOME OF THE



## GIRLS

BASKETBALL  
CHEERLEADING  
CROSS COUNTRY  
GOLF  
LANCER DANCERS  
SOCCER  
SOFTBALL  
TENNIS  
TRACK & FIELD  
VOLLEYBALL

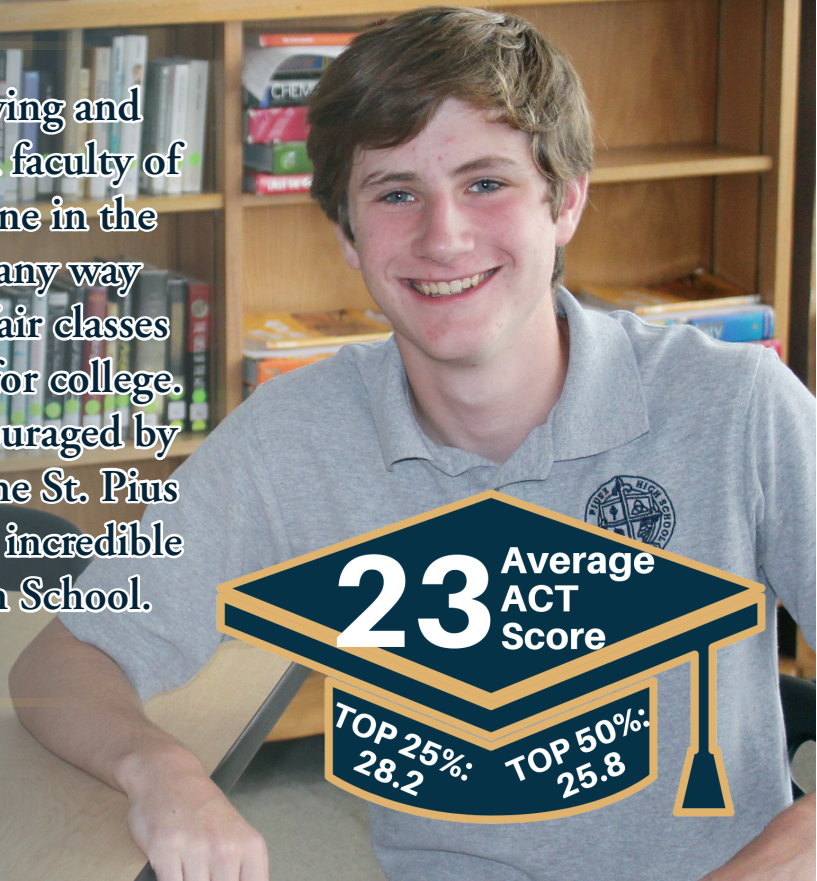


**Wellness Program:** The mind and body cannot be separated. As beings created in God's image and likeness, it is our responsibility to be good stewards of the physical self we have been given. From our established Wellness Plan, on staff certified CrossFit Kids trainers, to being named a "Fit Friendly" establishment by the American Heart Association, we make it clear: attaining physical wellness is a high priority.



The St. Pius Way means the loving and kind nature of the students and faculty of St. Pius X High School. Everyone in the school is willing to help out in any way possible. The challenging, yet fair classes of St. Pius greatly prepare you for college. The faith-based lifestyle is encouraged by all of the faculty at St. Pius. ‘The St. Pius Way’ perfectly encapsulates the incredible environment of St. Pius X High School.

*Adam Bishop, Class of 2021*



**23** Average ACT Score

TOP 25%: 28.2    TOP 50%: 25.8



## *We are Extraordinary*

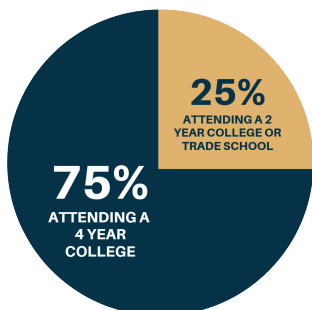
The purpose of a college preparatory school is to prepare students for success in college or university and beyond. With the Catholic faith as our foundation, the focus of St. Pius X High School is to ensure our students are prepared for the future.

The St. Pius X High School graduate will...

- Articulate the key elements of the Catholic faith and model Christian behavior
- Understand and develop individual learning styles in order to participate in the enjoyment of lifelong learning, mind, body, and soul
- Communicate ideas and opinions effectively, clearly and concisely both orally and in written format
- Respect human diversity and the international community

### CLASS OF 2019 ACCOMPLISHMENTS

#### College Attendance





As a shadow, I immediately felt welcomed and could picture St. Pius X High School as my home-away-from-home. The teachers were very welcoming and I appreciated their genuine care towards me from the very start. I could tell the teachers had a personal connection with their students and cared for them and wanted them to succeed. This is also one of the aspects that makes me proud to be a part of St. Pius.

**Molly Flanagan, Class of 2020**



## *Financial Assistance*

St. Pius X High School is a Catholic community dedicated to the education of the whole person, in an environment where extraordinary care and concern for the individual is ordinary. Any student who wants to experience St. Pius X High School should not be limited by finances. Need based assistance is available.



- **SCHOLARSHIPS** are offered at St. Pius X High School for new and returning students. The application deadline is March 15.
- **FACTS FINANCIAL AID APPLICATION** can be filled out by families to determine need-based funding eligibility. The preferred application deadline is February 28.



## Visit Us

The best way to determine which high school is right for you is with a campus visit. The time you spend on campus as a prospective student will offer insight to you and your family about life as a Lancer. There are a host of opportunities available for students interested in visiting campus.

# ST. PIUS X

### LANCER FOR A DAY

Students spend the day with a St. Pius X ambassador, 'shadowing' them to see what life is like in a regular day on campus. Visitors attend class, have lunch with students, and attend meetings for extracurricular activities. Lancer for a Day visits are available on most weekdays throughout the school year.

### 8TH GRADE DAY - OCTOBER 16

Held during Homecoming Week, visitors take part in games, see performances from the Jazz Band and Cheer and Dance teams, have lunch with current students and more.

### OPEN HOUSE - OCTOBER 27

Parents as well as students are encouraged to attend this event, which includes opportunities to meet faculty, staff, coaches, and students. You can take a tour of campus and learn more about life as a Lancer from our team of student ambassadors. We also hold a drawing for a one-year partial tuition voucher.

### 7TH GRADE WEEK - MARCH 16-20

Held in the spring, this event allows visitors to interact with faculty and current students as they work on fun projects in a variety of academic disciplines in addition to having lunch and learning about our college placement process.

To learn more about any of our visit options, please visit [www.stpius.com](http://www.stpius.com) or call Ellie Warden, '15, Director of Admissions, at (636) 931-7487, ext. 117.





# Application Timeline

## OCTOBER 2019

- 16TH** 8TH GRADE DAY: ALL-DAY EVENT FOR ANY CURRENT 8TH GRADER.
- 27TH** OPEN HOUSE: CAMPUS TOURS, MEET WITH FACULTY, SPEAK TO CURRENT STUDENTS & MORE!

## NOVEMBER 2019

- 1ST** REQUIRED ONLINE ST. PIUS X APPLICATION
- PAROCHIAL SCHOOL & PSR 8TH GRADERS MUST SUBMIT TWO APPLICATIONS FOR ADMISSION: THE ONLINE ST. PIUS X APPLICATION AND AN APPLICATION THROUGH THE ARCHDIOCESE.
  - PUBLIC SCHOOL STUDENTS WHO ARE NOT PSR PARTICIPANTS NEED ONLY SUBMIT THE ONLINE ST. PIUS X APPLICATION.

- 15TH** APPLICATION DEADLINE

## JANUARY 2020

- 11TH** ADMISSIONS INTERVIEWS
- ST. PIUS X WILL BE CONDUCTING MANDATORY INTERVIEWS WITH STUDENTS WHO APPLIED FOR ADMISSION.

## FEBRUARY 2020

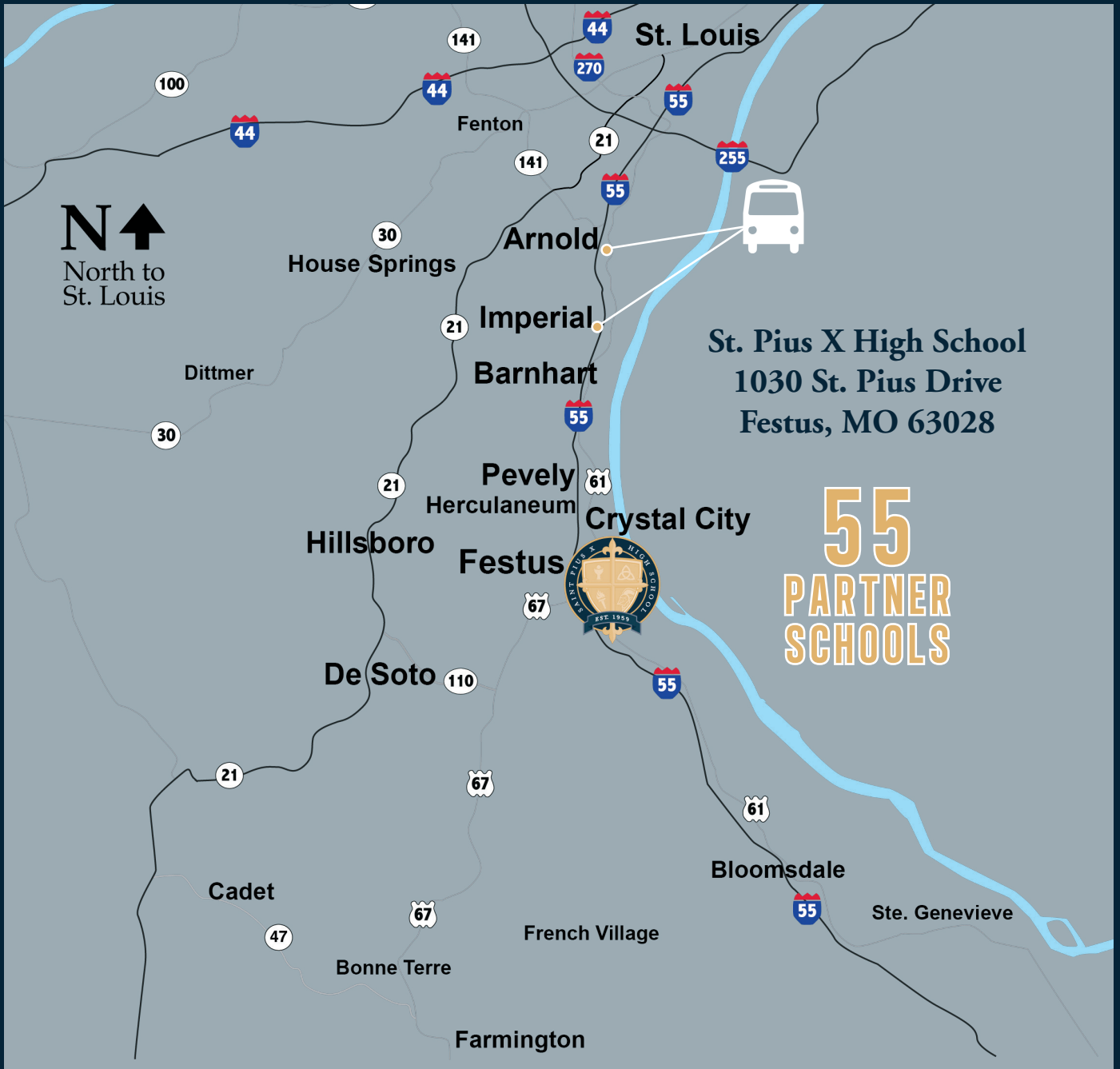
- 1ST** ACCEPTANCE AND NON-ACCEPTANCE LETTERS MAILED
- 20TH** CLASS INDUCTION NIGHT
- 28TH** TUITION ASSISTANCE APPLICATION DEADLINE





## SPX STUDENT SHUTTLE SERVICE

St. Pius X High School students can catch our shuttle to and from campus Monday - Friday. The shuttle picks up and drops off students at Immaculate Conception Catholic Church in Arnold and St. Joseph's Catholic Church in Imperial.



SCAN TO START  
YOUR APPLICATION!

