



#### 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

- Strong, competitive academic curriculum
- Faith-filled environment with daily prayer
- College credit programs in cooperation with Saint Louis University and University of Missouri-St. Louis
- Learning consultant and academic resources
- School counselor and a therapy dog
- Competitive athletics
- Clubs and organizations
- 100 hours of community service which promotes community service
- Honors program that recognizes academic and extracurricular excellence
- 693 College Visit Program
- College Counselor
- Over 70 college representatives visit our school annually to meet with our students during lunch hour
- House System that fosters student engagement and school spirit
- Lunch Hour 60 minutes every day for dining, study, meetings, and more
- Active Campus Ministry provides extraordinary care through our Catholic identity and hourly prayer
- Wellness Program



# **FAITH**

As Jefferson County's only Catholic high school, we take seriously our duty to provide an education grounded in the tradition of spiritual, intellectual and human formation for each student, where we explore the intersection of faith and reason together. Our Campus Ministry team works with students to emphasize faith formation and dedication to service as reflections of our Catholic identity. As a school, we partake in daily prayer, weekly mass on campus, penance services and days of prayer.

Students from any religious background are welcome at St. Pius X, where we encourage them to explore and discuss the differences they find while developing a sense of community that facilitates their development as student leaders.

In addition to theology coursework each year, students have opportunities to participate in several extracurricular activities that are faith-based. Our Campus Ministry team coordinates these events throughout the year.





# **ACADEMIC EXCELLENCE**

The academic program at St. Pius X prepares students for the rigors of college coursework and life after graduation by fostering a spirit of self-discovery, leadership, and service. Our faculty and low student-to-teacher ratio allow students to receive all of the individualized attention they need to foster their unique interests and discover ways they'll serve Christ and the world in which they live.

#### **Graduation Credit Requirements**

Theology - 4
Social Sciences - 3
Fine Arts - 1

English - 4
Fine Arts - 1
Practical Arts - 1

Mathematics - 3 Wellness - 2.5 Electives - 5.5 - 9.5 Science - 3 World Language - 2 Service Hours - 100

### ACADEMIC ASSISTANCE AND SUPPORT SERVICES

- Advisors
- School counselor
- Brandy, our Belgian Malinois therapy dog
- Learning consultant
- ASAP: tutoring and time management assistance, available during lunch hour
- Lunch Hour: full hour to eat, study, meet with groups, hang out with friends
- MLC (Mandatory Learning Center on Friday mornings of late start days)
- College counselor
- ACT prep test
- CARE Team
- Peer mentoring
- Tutoring







# 693 PROGRAM

#### 6 class wide college tours to 9 colleges and universities in the first 3 years at St. Pius X

Beginning in 9th grade, students receive college guidance. Faculty mentors work one-on-one with students to help plan their coursework to align with their career interests and college interests. In their freshman year, students learn crucial study, writing, and research skills that will serve them through their senior year and into college. This process has led to a 100% college acceptance rate.

Total cost out of pocket for the 693 Program is \$20. Why? Because our vibrant Parent Club pays for all transportation costs, and the colleges pay for most of the lunches.

St. Pius X brings the **college representatives to the students** and **takes our students to the colleges**. The college search process begins on the student's first day preparing them for the next step.

### COLLEGE RECRUITS

- Only designated College Counselor in Jefferson County
- Participant in Missouri's A+ Program
- St. Pius X hosted 73 college rep visits last year
- Over 4 years a student can visit with over 250 college reps
- Students speak directly with the college reps
- Receive informational literature
- Identify the best college to continue a student's education
- Visits occur during lunch hour





# **LEADERSHIP**

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.

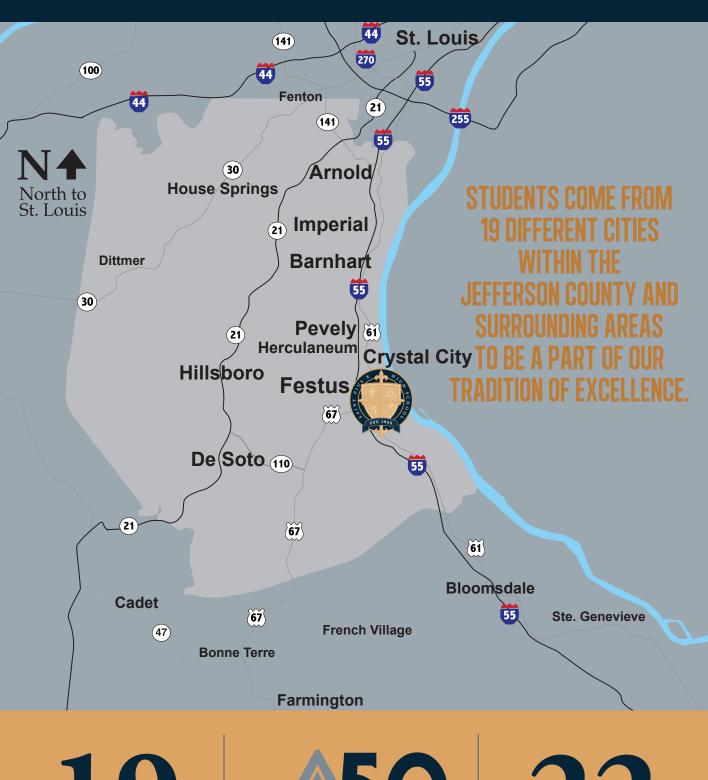
Honor Code: Three fundamental principles Academic Honesty, Ethical Integrity, Social Conduct

#### Students develop leadership through:

- Student Ambassadors
- National Honor Society
- Student of the Month
- House Council
- Executive Council
- Class officers
- Community service
- House System
- Athletics
- Clubs & Organizations



# where we are from



19 cities



22
zip codes

# where we are going

The Class of 2018 was accepted for admission into 34 different colleges and universities in 7 states 32% will attend two-year colleges or technical schools 68% will attend four-year public or private universities 7% will attend a Catholic college or university

They will be attending 23 different schools in 7 states













Arkansas State University
Creighton University
Illinois State University
Iowa Wesleyan University
Jefferson College
Maryville University
Missouri S&T
Missouri Southern State University

Missouri State University
Mizzou
Murray State University
Rockhurst University
Saint Louis University
Southeast Missouri State University
Southern Illinois University Edwardsville
St. Charles Community College

St. Louis Community College Truman State University University of Evansville University of Missouri – Kansas City Webster University Westminster College William Woods University

### 100% OF THE CLASS OF 2018 WENT ON TO A POST-SECONDARY SCHOOL

#### THE ST. PIUS WAY

Our students are not searching for a college major. We are preparing students for a vocation.

A vocation which makes one happy in life while serving others. De S. Pio Viae - The St. Pius Way!



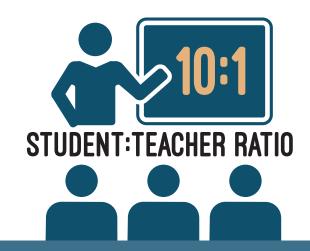
# how we are getting there

The purpose of a college preparatory school is to prepare students for success in college or university and beyond. We do this by providing advanced curriculum and giving students a head start, such as earning college credit from two different universities. 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
- Build relationships with positive team building and leadership skills
- 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
- Embrace rigorous approach to learning, while connecting academics to relevant world applications
- Read, research, process and present information from a variety of valid resources
- Respect human diversity and the international community







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 or technical/vocational school.



# we are extraordinary



72% OF THE CLASS OF 2018 RECEIVED SCHOLARSHIPS

\$1,839,794 IN ACCEPTED

ACADEMIC. LEADERSHIP. MERIT. AND ATHLETIC SCHOLARSHIPS

average \$35,303 per scholarship recipient

#### Class of 2018 Awards:

- 27 National Honor Society students
- 10 seniors earned Bright Flight Scholarships
- 5 scored a 31 or higher ACT composite (top 3% of all 2018 graduates in Missouri)
- 5 scored a 30 ACT composite (top 14% of all 2018 graduates in Missouri)
- 13 were accepted into an honors program



## **LUNCH HOUR**

Study with Student Groups
Attend Club or Sport Meetings
Tutoring Available
Work on Group Projects
Workout
Attend Mass
Meet with Faculty
& More



In order to provide more time for students to receive tutoring during the day and take part in clubs and groups at a time which does not require them to arrive early or stay after school, St. Pius X High School offers 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 get together and eat, meet with teachers for tutoring, and participate in club meetings. Study groups and group projects often meet during this time period. Students make up tests, work on labs or even workout in our gym or weight room. This hour helps students build time management skills, which are so important in college life.

The Lunch Hour is also when we host college visits, giving students more time to meet with schools from across the country. College representatives appreciate the flexibility and are able to talk with more students than they can during a standard visit.



"ILOVE the hour long lunch where you can hang out with your friends without having to worry about if you'll be in the same lunch shift. I really enjoy having an hour to finish up last minute homework, study for a test after lunch, or talk to any teacher. I also love that Mass is offered every Thursday during lunch! I really enjoy going to Mass and it's awesome that it's offered weekly."

~ Madilyn Mikko, '21

### HOUSE SYSTEM

The House System is designed to foster student engagement and school spirit 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.

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

- Become an important part of SPX community at their Induction Night
- Get to know students from all grade levels
- Mentor friends and receive the support of others through morning advisories
- Participate in Wednesday morning activates 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
- Prepare for success in their post-secondary studies and careers through increased team-building and
- Leadership opportunities
- Develop a sense of community and legacy through participation
- Represent their House by wearing their House t-shirt and colors on Wednesdays

#### **HOUSE ACTIVITIES:**

- Office Chair Races
- Christmas Tree Decorating Contest
- Bleacher Skeeball
- BananaGrams
- Mental Illness Awareness
- Suicide Awareness

#### **HOUSE CHARITIES:**

- Helping Hands and Horses
- Brenden's Friday Backpack Program
- Foster Care Program
- Children's Diabetes Program
- and More





# GET INVOLVED/STUDENT LIFE

Serve. Grow. Lead.

St. Pius X students are encouraged to participate in extracurricular activities to enrich their high school experience and to positively contribute to the school culture.

The Fine Arts program at St. Pius X High School provides a variety of opportunities for students to explore their creative side. Music and art classes are available starting freshman year, and students in all classes can participate in our Circle Theatre program.

### **CLUBS & ORGANIZATIONS**

Ambassadors Art Guild Chair Crew Chess Club Circle Theater Executive Council Fishing Club
Future Business Leaders of America
LaCrosse Club
Lancer Canters
National Honor Society
Peer Tutoring

Pep Band Roller Hockey Weight Lifting Writer's Guild Yearbook

**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. This is accomplished at St. Pius X High School by teaching students what it means to be healthy. 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.

### **ATHLETICS**

To be a Lancer means to strive for excellence on and off the court/field and represent the St. Pius X name with the highest levels of faith, integrity, and honor. We believe that athletics help develop a well-rounded student-athlete. Wins are important, but not above learning and the love to play and of taking care of business in the classroom. Many of our student-athletes and teams have been recognized with All-Academic awards by various groups and organizations. Lancer Athletics have a strong heritage — four state championships (all since 2010), 14 Final Four appearances, and hundreds of students moving on to compete in collegiate sports.

#### St. Pius X athletes play an integral part in the education process by striving to:

- Promote sportsmanship, teamwork, dedication, commitment, self-discipline, unity, and Lancer pride
- Educate student-athletes and spectators on the rules of the game
- Develop knowledge, skill, and teamwork needed to participate in his/her chosen sport



### BOYS:

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

### GIRLS:

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

# TUITION ASSISTANCE

Tuition assistance is available to families who show a demonstrated financial need. In helping to cover a portion of the cost of tuition for qualifying families. We remain committed to making a Catholic education attainable for all who wish to attend. You can learn more at www.stpius.com.

- **Tuition** is \$9600 and the **enrollment fee** is \$200.
- **Discounts** are available for families paying in full before start of the school year; families with multiple students enrolled at St. Pius X; families who are active parish members of a Catholic church.
- Over \$500,000 was dispersed in **financial assistance.**
- **Scholarships**: St. Pius X High School offers several scholarships for new and returning students, most of them funded through donations The application deadline is March 15.
- **Financial Assistance:** Need-based funding may be available for eligible families who file the FACTS financial aid application. The application deadline is February 28.
- MOST 529 Tuition Savings Plan for more information visit www.missourimost.org.



EVER SINCE MY FIRST MINUTE BEING ON CAMPUS FRESHMAN YEAR, I FELT LIKE I BELONGED TO SOMETHING GREATER THAN JUST A SCHOOL.





# 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.

### 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. Wednesday visits include the House competitions to start the day — a favorite among visitors. Lancer for a Day visits are available on most weekdays throughout the school year.

### 8TH GRADE DAY

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**

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 DAY

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.



### FALL 2019 ADMISSIONS TIMELINE

### OCTOBER 2018

8TH GRADE DAY: WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 3

ALL-DAY EVENT FOR ANY CURRENT 8TH GRADER

**OPEN HOUSE: SUNDAY, OCTOBER 28** 

CAMPUS TOURS, MEET WITH FACULTY, SPEAK WITH CURRENT STUDENTS, AND MORE

### **NOVEMBER 2018**

REQUIRED 2019-2020 ONLINE ST. PIUS X APPLICATION: NOVEMBER 1 - NOVEMBER 15.

8TH GRADERS IN CATHOLIC ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS OR PSR PROGRAMS MUST COMPLETE THE ONLINE ARCHDIOCESAN APPLICATION IN ADDITION TO THE ST. PIUS X APPLICATION. BOTH ARE AVAILABLE AT WWW.STPIUS.COM. PLEASE NOTE THAT THE ARCHDIOCESAN APPLICATION MUST ALSO BE COMPLETED BETWEEN NOVEMBER 1 AND NOVEMBER 15.

### JANUARY 2019

ADMISSIONS INTERVIEWS: SATURDAY, JANUARY 12

ST. PIUS X WILL BE CONDUCTING MANDATORY INTERVIEWS WITH STUDENTS WHO APPLIED FOR ADMISSION.

### FEBRUARY 2019

ACCEPTANCE AND NON-ACCEPTANCE LETTERS MAILED: FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 1

**CLASS INDUCTION NIGHT: THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 21** 

TUITION ASSISTANCE APPLICATION DEADLINE: THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 28

Students who attend a Catholic elementary school or PSR program must complete both the St. Pius X application for admission as well as the Archdiocesan application. Both applications can be accessed at www.stpius.com.

Students submitting the Archdiocesan application will have their records sent to St. Pius X by their elementary school in November. The on-campus admissions interviews in January give St. Pius X faculty and staff the opportunity to get to know potential incoming students, who in turn learn more about our institution and what we can do for you. Admission decision letters are then sent in early February. Students from non-Archdiocesan schools must have their records sent to St. Pius X directly from their current school.

If you have any questions regarding the admissions process or you would like to schedule a visit, please contact Matt Schutte, Director of Admissions & Enrollment Management, at (636) 931-7487, ext. 143 or email mschutte@stpius.com.

# we are SPX



transformed



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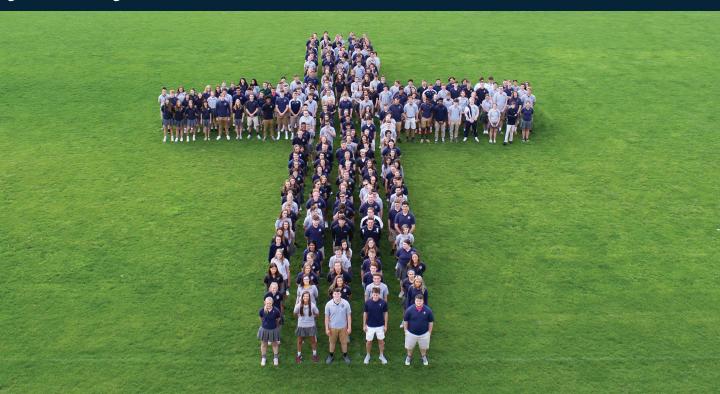
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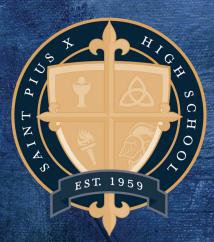
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# Omin us!



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