



# St. Pius X High School

*...Affording Excellence*

## Financial Assistance and Scholarship Guide



This brochure is an overview of the many opportunities St. Pius X High School offers with the goal of making a Catholic education affordable for every family.

If at any time you have questions about this process, please do not hesitate to contact:

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## 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.

A Catholic high school education is a gift for and an investment in the future. For nearly 200 years, the Catholic education system in St. Louis has provided a rich educational experience for its students and families.

It is the mission of the Church to share the gift of a Catholic education with anyone who truly desires it. Many families are in need of assistance in making the dreams of future success for their child a reality. To this end, over 80% of St. Pius X families receive tuition assistance. We recognize the sacrifice families undergo to make the dream of a Catholic education a reality and we stand ready to help in any way possible.

## Tuition

Tuition for the 2019-2020 academic year is \$9,792.

## Discounts

- \$200 discount for tuition paid in full by August 31
- \$450 discount given to families who are registered and active in their Catholic parish
- Multiple children in attendance discount:
  - \$600 discount for your second child
  - \$1,000 discount for your third child
  - \$9,792 discount for your fourth child

## Payment Plans

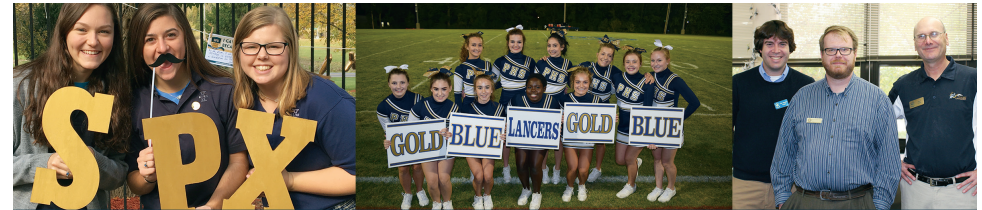
Quarterly - Ten Month - Twelve Month

Set up your online payment schedule using the FACTS website:

<https://online.factsmgt.com/signin/3G6V3>

## Outside College Scholarship Opportunities

The St. Pius X Post-Secondary Advisory Office works throughout the year to help students and parents understand the complexities of the college admissions process and provide information regarding available scholarship opportunities. Please visit <https://www.stpius.com/scholarship-opportunities.html> for details and deadlines for each scholarship. If you have questions regarding these scholarships or the college admissions process, please contact Mr. Matt Schutte at (636) 931-7487, ext. 143 or by email at [mschutte@stpius.com](mailto:mschutte@stpius.com).



# WE ARE ST. PIUS X



## College Scholarships

### OPEN TO GRADUATING SENIORS

#### Cadet Thomas Surdyke Leader of Character Scholarship

One \$2,500 scholarship to a four year college in memory of Thomas Surdyke, Class of 2015

The application for the CTS Leader of Character Scholarship is due March 15 of your SENIOR year.

Thomas Surdyke received an appointment to the United States Military Academy - West Point. Thomas had completed his plebe (freshman) year and was on a summer break at the beach. Thomas, along with another young man who could not swim, got caught in a rip tide. Thomas kept the young man above water and using the last of his strength, lifted him up onto a paddle board brought by rescuers, thus saving his life. Thomas died due to complications from drowning, though he was a strong swimmer. He was posthumously awarded the Soldier's Medal, the Army's highest award for valor in non-combat situations. Thomas was laid to rest, with full military honors, at West Point on July 4th, 2016 which would have been his 19th birthday.



The Cadet Thomas Surdyke Memorial Foundation was established to inspire and develop young leaders of character through curriculum, scholarship and programs for middle and high school students.

*Seniors may apply beginning January 1 of their senior year at <http://cadettom.com/StPiusXSeniors.asp>*

*Applicants must submit the online application by 3:00 p.m. March 15, 2020. The application consists of essay questions, ethical dilemma responses, a teacher recommendation, peer evaluations, personal accomplishments, GPA requirements and an interview.*

*The winner of the CTS Leader of Character Scholarship will be announced at Baccalaureate.*

## How to Apply

### Financial Assistance

#### St. Pius X Financial Aid

To apply for St. Pius X financial aid and/or to be considered for our Work Study program, you must complete the online FACTS Grant & Aid Assessment between January 1, 2020 and February 28, 2020. <https://online.factsmgmt.com/signin/3G6V3>

*Note:* If you are applying for St. Pius X financial aid, you should also be applying for assistance through the Archdiocese.

#### Archdiocese of St. Louis - Tuition Assistance

Beyond Sunday/Catholic Family Tuition Assistance (CFTA)/Parish Employee Endowment Fund (PEEF): The Archdiocese of St. Louis' scholarship application is due by February 28, 2020. To learn more apply at <http://www.ttef-stl.org/scholarships>.

#### Outside Scholarships

Outside scholarships may be available through various organizations such as your parish, your child's elementary school, the Knights of Columbus, and CYC, for example. Please contact these organizations directly.

#### St. Pius X Scholarships & Awards

Most scholarships and awards are merit-based, *you do not need to apply for financial aid*. Simply follow the criteria required for each separate scholarship or award.

## Standard Application Process

*(used for most scholarships and awards)*

To apply: Essays must be typed and must include only the scholarship name at the top. Do not include your name anywhere on or in the essays.

All essays must be submitted together in a single envelope. Write your name on the front of the envelope and submit it to the main office no later than March 15, 2020.

## Academic Scholarships (Renewable)

### OPEN TO INCOMING FRESHMAN

Students will not need to submit a separate application for academic scholarships. These scholarships are merit-based.

#### St. Pius X Scholarship

Automatic \$1,000 scholarship offered to incoming freshmen who list St. Pius X High School as their first choice on the Archdiocesan application and who meet the following criteria:

- Score at or above the Cognitive Abilities (CogAT) 90th percentile on the Iowa Test of Basic Skills eighth grade test
- Earn an “A” average in core subjects
- Have acceptable conduct as confirmed by grade school principal
- Apply for admission by January 31 of 8th grade year



*Renewable every year based on achieving a 3.60 cumulative GPA (weighted grade scale) at the end of the year and having no unsatisfactory marks in conduct.*

#### Msgr. Deutschmann Scholarship

Automatic \$300 scholarship offered to incoming freshmen who list St. Pius X High School as their first choice on the Archdiocesan application and who meet the following criteria:

- Score at or above the Cognitive Abilities (CogAT) 80th percentile on the Iowa Test of Basic Skills eighth grade test
- Earn a “B” average in core subjects
- Have acceptable conduct as confirmed by grade school principal
- Apply for admission by January 31 of 8th grade year



*Renewable every year based on achieving a 3.20 cumulative GPA (weighted grade scale) at the end of the year and having no unsatisfactory marks in conduct.*

## Scholarships and Awards

### OPEN TO SENIORS

#### Andy Mann Memorial Award

One \$500 award given to a senior in memory of Andy Mann, class of 2003

*Write an essay in answer to a topic chosen by Andy's family which exhibits characteristics reminiscent of Andy. An email with the topic will be sent to juniors from the principal during the school year. The award winner is announced at Leadership Day senior year. Submit your essay using the Standard Application Process on page 3.*



#### Alycia Zebrowski Memorial Award

Two \$500 awards given to seniors in memory of Alycia Zebrowski, class of 2004

*Explain in a 200 word essay the importance of community/Christian service and how this service affects your life. Submit your essay using the Standard Application Process on page 3.*



#### Nicole Riley Memorial Award

One \$1,000 award in memory of Nicole Riley, sister of Stuart Riley '16, who passed away in 2014 due to complications with Neurofibromatosis

*You must be current with your service hours. To apply write a 300 word MLA format essay describing a time in your life in which your action(s) showed complete kindness (this should include work outside of service hours). Submit your essay using the Standard Application Process on page 3. The Riley family will choose the recipient.*



## Scholarships and Awards

### OPEN TO SOPHOMORES & JUNIORS

#### Cadet Thomas Surdyke Memorial Scholarship

Two \$1,000 scholarships available to sophomores and juniors in memory of Thomas Surdyke, Class of 2015

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The Cadet Thomas Surdyke Memorial Foundation was established to inspire and develop young leaders of character through curriculum, scholarship and programs for middle and high school students.

Apply at <http://cadettom.com/StPiusXSJ.asp>. Online application opens January 1.

Applicants must submit the online application by 3:00 p.m. March 15, 2020. Application consists of essay questions, a teacher recommendation, personal accomplishments and GPA requirements.

## Scholarships and Awards

### OPEN TO INCOMING FRESHMAN

#### Alumni Association Award

Proceeds gained from the annual Trivia Night are used to fund \$1,000 awards based on the following criteria:

- Incoming freshman is a child of a St. Pius X graduate

Using the Standard Application Process on page 3:

- Parent submits a one page, one sided essay on "What impact St. Pius X High School had on my life."
- Student submits a one page, one sided essay on "What will I bring to St. Pius X High School?"



#### Bridge Family Goldman Sachs Scholarship (Renewable)

Two need-based \$2,000 scholarships are awarded and are renewable every year. Applicants must complete the FACTS Grant and Aid Assessment and will be automatically considered for the scholarship.



In honor of Matt and Betty Bridge, this scholarship was founded to assist students in attaining an excellent education at St. Pius X. Matt and Betty Bridge were educators in both the Catholic and public school systems, beginning their career in a one-room schoolhouse in Blackwell, Missouri. Matt and Betty impacted the lives of a generation of students attending De Soto Public Schools, St. Rose of Lima, and the Lindbergh school district. Students fondly remember the love and care shown by them. Their daughter, St. Pius X High School alumnae Betsy (Bridge) Bousquette '85, funds this scholarship in memory of her parents' lifetime of selfless service to Missouri's youth.

Renewable every year based on maintaining a 3.0 cumulative GPA (weighted grade scale) at the end of the year along with no unsatisfactory marks in conduct.

## Scholarships and Awards

### OPEN TO ALL

You will only need to write one essay to be eligible for the essays listed in this section. *Write a 200 word essay on the importance of how you can use your talents to impact the St. Pius X community. Submit your essay using the Standard Application Process on page 3. Indicate at the top of the essay "Multiple Scholarship Essay."*

#### **Earl Bayer Award**

One \$100 award in honor of Earl Bayer, past parent

#### **Ralph Boyer Award**

One \$300 award in honor of Ralph Boyer, retired teacher/Athletic Director

#### **Michelle Burkart Memorial Award**

One \$100 award in memory of Michelle Burkart, class of 1998

#### **De Soto Knights of Columbus Award**

One \$100 award in honor of the De Soto Knights of Columbus

#### **Dolan Family Memorial Award**

One \$350 award in memory of the Dolan family

#### **Earl Grieshaber Good Neighbor Award**

One \$300 award in honor of past parent Earl Grieshaber

#### **Lawrence Grieshaber/Leon Orth Memorial Award**

One \$100 award in memory of Mr. Grieshaber and Mr. Orth, past grandparents

#### **Kevin Haselhorst Memorial Award**

One \$100 award in memory of Kevin Haselhorst, class of 1975

#### **Chris Kutilek Memorial Award**

One \$100 award in memory of Chris Kutilek, class of 1990

#### **Leonard Family Award**

One \$100 award in honor of the Leonard family

#### **Dottie Schneider Memorial Award**

The amount of this scholarship varies and is in memory of Dottie Schneider, one of the founders of the St. Pius X Golf Tournament

#### **Katie Senkel Memorial Award**

Two \$250 awards in memory of Katie Senkel, class of 1999

#### **Amanda Smith Memorial Award**

One \$500 award in memory of Amanda Smith, class of 1996

#### **Richard Stansfield Memorial Award**

Two \$500 awards in memory of Richard Stansfield, past grandparent

#### **Lester, Leslie & Blondell Underwood Family Award**

Two \$200 awards in honor of the Underwood family