

St. Pius X High School

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St. Pius X High School Named 2022 Cognia School of Distinction

St. Pius X High School has been named a 2022 Cognia™ School of Distinction for excellence in education. [Cognia](#), the global nonprofit school improvement organization, recognizes pre-K–12 education institutions that exemplify excellence in education. They recognized 96 schools out of more than 1,500 schools in the United States and Puerto Rico and nine other countries across the globe as [Cognia Schools and Systems of Distinction](#).

Mrs. Karen DeCosty, St. Pius X principal, stated “It is truly an honor to be a part of this amazing school. The faculty and staff are so dedicated to the success of our students. Their dedication, not only focuses on the academic growth of our students, but also their spiritual growth and overall well-being. Educating the whole child is not easy to do in today’s world with all of the distractions around us, but this community works hard at blocking out those distractions and staying focused on what is important, which is a strong Catholic education and setting students up for success after high school. I would like to thank the faculty and staff at St. Pius X High School for their hard work and dedication. It is nice to see them recognized! St. Pius X - Pray for Us”.

St. Pius X participated in Cognia’s rigorous Accreditation Engagement Review process, which is based on research-based performance standards, in January 2022. The process includes a third-party review by education experts of evidence, interviews, and classroom observations. The evaluation covers Leadership Capacity, Learning Capacity, and Resource Capacity, as well as a demonstrated commitment to continuous improvement.

“St. Pius X High School is to be commended on their recognition as a School of Distinction,” said Dr. Mark A. Elgart, president and CEO of Cognia. “Cognia Accreditation is already a mark of distinction recognized around the world. Being named a School or System of Distinction further recognizes the commitment to education quality St. Pius X has for its learners,” he added.

About St. Pius X High School

Founded in 1959, St. Pius X High School is a co-ed, four-year, college preparatory school. St. Pius X includes a community of 300 students and a staff of caring teachers and administrators. St. Pius X serves both Catholic and non-Catholic students. 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.

Jim Lehn, President

Karen DeCosty, Principal