

St. Pius X High School Press Release

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St. Pius X High School starts wrestling program for 2021-22 school year

FESTUS, MO - St. Pius X High School Athletic Director Tilden Watson has announced that the school has started a wrestling program and will field teams for both boys and girls in the 2021-22 school year.

“I have been asked dozens of times every school year, by both parents and current students, about adding a wrestling program to our sports offerings,” Watson said. “It is one of the most popular sports in high school in terms of participant growth. Jim Lehn (St. Pius X president) and Karen DeCosty (school principal) and I agreed that the time was right to get this going.”

Leading the program will be Lancer alumni RJ Eberhart (class of '97), who has extensive experience coaching wrestling at the youth and high school levels. Equipment such as mats has been acquired and current students are already looking forward to next season.

“RJ is a great fit, being an alum who brings a strong work ethic and quality coaching credentials to the program,” Watson said. “His knowledge of the sport and contacts in wrestling will be invaluable as we get the team rolling.”

The program will officially kick off with a summer camp which will run from July 12 to July 15. Eberhart has coaches from across the midwest coming in to help with the camp.

“The participants will be getting a high-quality wrestling camp,” Eberhart said. “Some very talented coaches from the high school, college, and even military ranks will be helping out. This will give us an excellent start to the program.”

The co-ed wrestling camps will be divided by grade, with 5th-8th grade going from 1 PM-3 PM, and 9th-12th grade going from 9 AM-12 Noon. To register, go to the [St. Pius X Summer Camp](#) page.