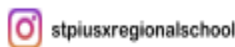




# St. Pius X Regional School News Notes September 3rd, 2020



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## Monday, September 7

\*Labor Day - No School

## Tuesday, September 8 - Friday, September 11

\*Food Drive Service Project - more details within

## Wednesday, September 9

\*Early Dismissal Day - students will follow Early Dismissal schedule for virtual learning

\*New Parent Meet - 7pm via Google Meet - details to follow

## Monday, September 14

\*HSA Meeting VIRTUAL - 7pm - details to follow

## Thursday, September 17

\*High School Parent Meeting VIRTUAL - 7pm - details to follow

A 2020-2021 School calendar has been posted to the website. This includes days off, early dismissal days and end of quarter dates. A calendar will be coming at the end of each month for the events in the next month. Please keep an eye out [HERE](#) in NEWS NOTES for this calendar.

*May the Lord of peace himself give you peace at all times and in every way. The Lord be with all of you.*

**2Thessalonians 3:16**

## FOOD DRIVE Sept 8th-11th, 2020

Each month we will be focusing on one service project to help support our Bowie community and spread our faith through good works. For September's service project, we will be collecting *non perishable* food items for local food banks. During the COVID19 pandemic, many families have struggled and we want to help as much as we can. There will be a collection box placed outside the front doors each day during the drive for safe social distancing practices. Thank you so much for supporting this and future service projects!



## Health Corner - Immunizations Reminder

ALL students entering Kindergarten need to have 2 MMR and 2 VARICELLA on file prior to the first day of school August 31, 2020.

ALL students entering 7th grade need to have MCV and TDAP vaccines on files prior to the first day of school August 31, 2020

If your child's immunizations are not up to date please schedule an appointment and let the nurse know when your appointment is scheduled for.

Please ensure your child's immunization record is uploaded to TADS, or send a copy of their record to the nurse Meghan Benson at [mbenson@stpiusbowie.org](mailto:mbenson@stpiusbowie.org)

## OCTOBER 5th - ALL STUDENTS MUST WEAR UNIFORM SHIRTS

Beginning October 5th, all students must attend Google Meets in a school issued uniform shirt. This shirt can be the white uniform shirt, PE shirt, sweatshirt, sweater or girls collared shirt for lower grades. If you have any questions, please contact Mrs. Schrom at [jschrom@stpiusbowie.org](mailto:jschrom@stpiusbowie.org)

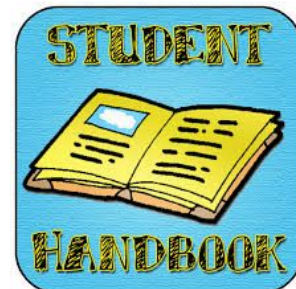
## 2020-2021 CALENDAR



We have “Gone Green” and parents have access to the school Google calendar. The SPX Google Calendar is located on our school homepage, and at <https://www.stpiusbowie.org/school-life/calendar/>. On the calendar website, you can add the calendar to your own Google account/calendar, change the view, and print a copy. Each month a calendar of events for the next month will be sent home given the uncertain nature of school events right now.

## PARENT STUDENT HANDBOOK

Parents will receive their hard copy 2020-2021 Parent Student Handbook on Supply Pick Up day TODAY. Parents may also find the handbook on our website under the School Life tab (posted after August 27th). This handbook is one of the most important pieces of information you will receive. We advise parents to read the book from cover to cover and familiarize themselves with our policies and procedures. It is especially important in the first few weeks of school to understand our arrival and dismissal policies as well as our late arrival/ early dismissal, and emergency closing policies. There will be a digital acknowledgement form sent to parents on August 27th for the Parent Student Handbook which is due by September 4th



## NEW PARENT MEETING



On September 9th, Mrs. Schrom and Ms. Kolosky will conduct a New Parent/Family Meeting at 7pm via Google Meet. Just a reminder: all Google Meets require your student’s login credentials or a phone to call in to the Meet. In this meeting, all things SPX will be discussed from Fun Day to schedules to traffic patterns and much more. Google Meet invitation will be sent to New Parents the day before the Meet. We hope to see you there!

## Getting to (Virtual) Church

Our Regional Parishes have reopened, but many families continue to worship from home. If your family hasn't yet connected with church online, here are some ways to connect you with worship from our regional parishes:

Weekend masses with Fr. Mike Jones (St. Pius):

<https://www.spxbowie.org/watch-mass>

Daily and weekend masses with Fr. Tim Daniel (Ascension):

<https://www.facebook.com/watch/ascensionbowie/>

Sunday masses from St. Edwards with Fr. Scott Holmer: <https://stedwardbowie.com/>

Other Area Parishes with online masses: <https://adw.org/live-streamed-masses-and-prayer>



## NEWS FROM THE FINANCE OFFICE



- Tuition and ESP payments must be paid on or before the due date each month. Failure to do so will result in withholding a student's progress report, report card, academic record, yearbook, etc.

- If your tuition and/or ESP account becomes overdue by 30 days, your child(ren) may not attend school until it is paid in cash or certified funds in the school office. If payment is made directly online to

TADS, it must be paid 7 days prior to this 30-day deadline, so that the funds have time to clear the bank.

- There is no need to call us to confirm the status of your account; we see the same information as you on TADS. If your TADS account shows the payment was made and nothing is past due, then you are in good standing.
- Thank you to the many families who do pay their tuition on time each month! We truly appreciate it! As a token of our appreciation, a prize will be awarded to one family at the end of the year from all who have kept their tuition current every month all year! It is very time consuming to track down families to make their payments. We ask for your cooperation and understanding with this.

## YOU SHOP AND WE GET PAID - HELP US EARN \$\$

Your shopping can help St. Pius X earn money! These fundraisers bring in thousands of dollars to our school each year and don't cost you a cent. Thank you to those families who participate in these fundraisers now. Your efforts are much appreciated! Thank you in advance to those families who will follow the simple steps below to begin participation.

**AMAZON SMILE REWARDS PROGRAM:** You probably already shop online at Amazon, and now you can help support SPX simply by using the special link here. Shop on Amazon.com. Our unique School Rewards link will take you directly to Amazon, where you can browse and shop just as you normally would. Each month, Amazon will pay us 5% or more of all purchases made by shoppers who reached Amazon through our link. Please support us by bookmarking this link in your internet browser - then making it the first link you click each time you shop at Amazon. And be sure to pass it on to your friends, family, neighbors, acquaintances, and anyone else who might like to help us raise funds by shopping at Amazon.



**BOX TOPS FOR EDUCATION:** This program allows our school to collect box tops/labels of food and

household products and redeem them for cash. Simply check the items you buy at the grocery store/ Target/Wal-Mart for Box Tops for Education labels. You will find the labels on dozens of different types of products like: food/drink, paper products, office supplies, cleaning supplies, food storage, tableware and many more. Once purchased, please cut the labels off and return them to school. Don't forget to check the expiration date, as we cannot get credit for expired labels. We will earn 10¢ for every label. St. Pius X can also earn cash



from Bonus Certificates, which can be found primarily in stores on specially marked packages and at checkout printed on a receipt. These vary on value based on the promotion. Bonus codes begin with the letter A. Also look for eBox Tops Codes, which are a 16 digit eBoxTops code that is printed on the product. You would be surprised at how many products you buy every day carry a Box Tops for Education label.

**HARRIS TEETER 'S TOGETHER IN EDUCATION PROGRAM:** This programs translates your spending at Harris Teeter to rewards for SPX. We need YOU to register and it's easy and it's FREE. Simply give the cashier our code, 4154, and your VIC card when you check out and your card will be linked for the entire school year. That's it! You only have to link your VIC card once each school year. Once your card is linked, St. Pius X Regional School will receive a percentage of your Harris Teeter brand (Harris Teeter, H.T. Traders, Harris Teeter Organics, HT Farmers Market and purchases in the HT Pharmacy) purchases credited back to our account. This program does not interfere with your VIC savings or cost you any money! Don't forget to link your VIC card to our account code next time you are shopping at Harris Teeter.



Your purchases at Amazon Smile, Box Tops and Harris Teeter this holiday season (and all year long) will directly support our school! Thanks in advance for your help

## ACRONYM GLOSSARY

Are you new to St. Pius X and unfamiliar with our acronyms? Here is a quick list of our most used abbreviations:

*ADW - Archdiocese of Washington*

*CYO - Catholic Youth Organization*

*ESP - Extended School Program (before and aftercare)  
Obligation*

*HSPT - High School Placement Test*

*SSC - Student Support Center*

*VSP - Volunteer Service Program*

*CFA - Chick-fil-A*

*HSA - Home and School Association*

*FSO - Fundraising Support*

*SAB - School Advisory Board*

*TADS - Tuition Management Company*

### Our Regional Parishes:

#### St. Pius X Catholic Church

14720 Annapolis Road Bowie, MD 20715 301-262-2141

<http://www.spxbowie.org/>

#### Sacred Heart Parish

16501 Annapolis Road Bowie, MD 20715 301-262-0704

<http://www.sacredheartbowie.org>

#### Ascension Catholic Church

12700 Lanham Severn Road Bowie, MD 20720 301-262-2227

<http://www.ascensionbowie.com>

#### St. Edward the Confessor

1940 Mitchellville Road Bowie, MD 20716 301-249-9199

[www.stedwardbowie.com](http://www.stedwardbowie.com)