



St. Pius X Regional School News Notes March 25, 2021



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Spring Portraits – March 30

Spring portraits will be taken on March 30 for At Home learning students only. ALL STUDENTS will be photographed and the portraits will be used in the school yearbook. The students may dress out of uniform on this day and appropriate dress, as always, is required.



Tuesday, March 30

*Lifetouch Pictures for VIRTUAL Students - TAG day clothes - To sign up: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10c0944a4a82aa1fe3-virtual>

Thursday, April 1

*Holy Thursday
*End of 3rd Quarter
*Early Dismissal

Friday, April 2 - Sunday, April 11

*Easter Break - No School for Students

Monday, April 12 - Friday, April 16

*ALL Classes Resume VIRTUALLY

Thursday, April 15

*3rd Quarter Report Cards Distributed Electronically

Monday, April 19

*IN PERSON Classes Resume
*Cap/Gown Pictures for 8th Grade - 10am-12pm - see email from Ms. Kolosky for details

Wednesday, April 21

*Early Dismissal - 11:30am for PreK; 12:00pm for K-8
*Mismatched Sock Fundraiser Day - wear your Mismatched Sock Fundraiser socks with your uniform!

Thursday, April 22

*High School Sweatshirt/Swag Day
*3rd Quarter Honor Roll Assembly 2:00pm - link to come

Saturday, April 24

*Pace Be With You Virtual 5K - details to come!

Thursday, April 29

*TAG Day

THE FIRST OFFICIAL DAY OF SCHOOL FOR 2021-2022 WILL BE AUGUST 31, 2021. A complete school calendar will be available online this summer on our website.

SPELL A THON 2021

Almost 300 students participated in the school's Spell-a-thon Fundraiser. We hope they had fun flexing their spelling muscles and competing for prizes. Our prize winners are: Tresia Nowa, Grade 1; Dingana Mbotiji, Grade 2; Michael French, Grade 3; Ral Onwuka, Grade 4; Jordan Johnson, Grade 5; Karleigh Shazor, Grade 6; Kamele Nowlin, Grade 7; and Ivanka Mordi, Grade 8. Although most students did very well, these students were the first to complete their quiz with a score of 100 percent. The last day to donate to this event is March 31, 2021, and there's a link in the Announcements section of our webpage. We appreciate your support!

Amen, I say to you, whatever you did for one of these least brothers of mine, you did for me.
Matthew 25:40

Yearbook Club Needs YOUR Help!

The yearbook club needs photos from the first day of school, virtual learning, and special events around the school. Please send all of your St. Pius photos to spxyearbook@stpiusbowie.org.

Spring Sports: Registration for CYO spring sports is now open! The official season starts April 10 for soccer, cross country, and track & field; however, practices will begin within a few weeks. Register today to claim a spot on the team!



- Soccer – 10U fees: \$125/player; 12-14U fees: \$140/player (child's age as of Sep 1, 2020 determines level) – if you have questions please contact Candace Walls, Soccer Commissioner @ candace.walls@gmail.com
- Cross Country – 8-14U (child's age as of Sep 1, 2020 determines level) – fees: \$80/runner – if you have questions please contact Megan Bogley, Cross Country Commissioner @ m_bogley@hotmail.com
- Track and Field – 7-14U (child's age as of May 31, 2021 determines level) - fees: \$95/participant – if you have questions please contact Megan Bogley, Track and Field Commissioner @ m_bogley@hotmail.com
- Softball – we are hoping to add softball – stay tuned. Jennifer Murphy, Softball Commissioner @ snoopyvrb@gmail.com

Visit www.stpiusbowiecyo.com and click [Sports Pilot](#) to register.

CYO (Catholic Youth Organization) is a volunteer organization and we can't do it without you! Please consider coaching one of our many teams or contact us if you'd like to get involved! It's a great experience! Please note that all coaches and volunteers must be Virtus certified. Coaches should contact the designated commissioner regarding additional requirements. <https://stpiusbowiecyo.com/contact-us/>

BOOST Scholarship Coalition



Parents, please check out the Maryland BOOST Scholarship Coalition <http://www.marylandboost.org/> The BOOST Scholarship Coalition is dedicated to ensuring that Maryland students have access to high-quality, affordable and diverse educational options, such as our school. There are opportunities for you to sign up for the BOOST Action Network and when doing so, if you click the checkbox to become a Parent Ambassador, you can help the efforts to share positive stories about BOOST with legislators and ensure this program continues for years to come. Parent and community advocacy is critical so if you have benefited from BOOST, please consider signing up to get more involved. The deadline to apply is Friday, April 30, 2021.

SCENTSY FUNDRAISER STARTING MARCH 1ST



The HSA is sponsoring a Scentsy fundraiser. The latest Scentsy catalog is available for purchase to support the St Pius X HSA. Products will be shipped to your home, catalog is available online with online payments.

With this fundraiser, you can support St. Pius X Regional School by clicking on and sharing this link

<https://brandeeshunter.scentsy.us> via email, text and social media with family and friends. This fundraiser runs for the entire month of March! Thanks for continually supporting the HSA especially during COVID and please stay safe.

If you have any questions please feel to reach out to [Kelly Foster](#) or [Faith Proctor](#)

BACK BY POPULAR DEMAND!!!



The HSA is proud to bring back the FRESH FRUIT DRIVE during the month of March! The Fresh Fruit Drive, where you can purchase a variety of fresh hand-picked Indian River Fruit online, will begin March 1, 2021 and will end March 31, 2021. No in-person delivery, product distribution or cash to handle. This Ship to the Home fruit sale is a great way to send your family and friends fresh fruit as a way to let them know you are thinking of them. You can support St. Pius X Regional School by sharing/following link via email, text or social media with family and friends.

<https://www.floridaindianrivergroves.com/ecommerce/622547>

You, your family and friends can purchase products under your child's name until March 31, 2021 online with several delivery options available. There is a flat shipping rate of \$6.95 per box, regardless of the box size or weight. Indian Grove guarantees that their fruit is delivered fresh with secure Online Payments that can be made by check, credit card, or debit card. This Fundraiser supports HSA activities with 50% of the proceeds sold by your child going towards your FSO credit.

Should you have any questions and/or concerns regarding this HSA Fundraiser, feel free to contact your HSA President Faith Proctor at faithproctor@yahoo.com OR your HSA Vice President Pam Diedrick at animaldr1997@verizon.net.

Thank you for supporting St. Pius X Regional School!

News from the School Advisory Board



Thank you to all parents who were able to join us this school year for our Parent Administration Forums. We appreciate the open discussion and opportunity to answer your questions.

The School Advisory Board is still taking applications for the open position on the Board for a Sacred Heart parishioner. We would like to fill the open seat for a Sacred Heart this spring ahead of the new school year. To learn more about serving on the Board or request an application, please email rssellan@gmail.com or call 301-651-2027.

Please use subject line SAB Open Positions.

2021 Lucinda L. Jasper Scholarship Competition

The Lucinda L. Jasper Scholarship was founded in 1993 by the late Richard W. Jasper, Jr. in memory of his mother, a Catholic educator for over 35 years. His wish was simple: continue her encouragement of young people and help them advance their Catholic education. The Scholarship also promotes Mrs. Jasper's belief that students' lives are enriched by people from different races, colors, and creeds. In her honor, students of all backgrounds are asked to describe an African American who has made a positive influence on their lives and educational goals.

For 27 years, the Fund has awarded two scholarships to an eighth grade student graduating from a Catholic elementary school to enter a Catholic high school. The scholarships awarded are \$1,750.00 for first place and \$1,250.00 second place.

Interested students should go to <http://www.ljjsf.org/>, which contains the application form, school report, teacher recommendation, the criteria, and details for 1500-2500 word essay. Submissions can be made only online. All materials (application form, essay, school report from Mrs. Schrom and recommendations) must be successfully submitted online no later than 11:59 pm March 31, 2021

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

FSO - Fundraising Support Obligation

HSPT - High School Placement Test

SSC - Student Support Center

CFA - Chick-fil-A

HSA - Home and School

ESP - Extended School Program

SAB - School Advisory Board

TADS - Tuition Management

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