



St. Pius X Regional School News Notes



May 16, 2019

FAMILY MATH NIGHT FOR GRADES K-3

Family Math Night



You are invited to Family Math Night for Grades K-3 on Wednesday, June 5th from 5:00 pm. to 6:30 pm in Nelson Hall. Explore the wonders of math with your child. Come see what your student is learning. It's an evening of family fun! Please use the Sign Up Genius link to register: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/60B0E49ADAC2C7-family> If you have any questions please email Mrs. McLane - dmclane@stpiusbowie.org.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Thursday, May 16

- *Tag Day
- *8:30-10:00am, 2nd gr Reading Scantron
- *Patrol Lunch
- *3:00-3:45pm, K Spanish, SG I

Friday, May 17

- *Early dismissal day, 12:30pm PK, 1:00pm K-8th
- *8:30-10:00am, 5th gr Reading Scantron
- *9:00-11:45am, 6th-8th gr Field Day
- *5:30-6:30pm, GS Troop 2997, Art
- *7:00-8:30pm, Cadette Troop 2386, Art

Saturday, May 18

- *11:00-3:00pm, Fun Day, bring your friends and neighbors!

Monday, May 20

- *Fun Day T-Shirt Tag Day
- *3:00-4:00pm, Band with Etter, hall
- *3:00-4:15pm, Striders
- *4:00-8:00pm, CYO Chipotle Fundraiser, Bowie Market Place

Tuesday, May 21

- *8:30-10:00am, 5th gr Math Scantron
- *3:00-4:00pm, Yearbook meeting, lab
- *3:00-4:15pm, Band with Martens, hall

Wednesday, May 22

- *10:30am, End of Year Whole School Mass
- *3:00-4:00pm, 8th gr Academic Club, math
- *5:30-7:00pm, Girl Scout Troop 2997, art
- *7:00-10:00pm, 8th gr Graduation Dance

Thursday, May 23

- *8:30-10:22am, 6th & 7th gr Math Scantron
- *10:00am, 8th gr arrival to school
- *10:00-11:00am, 3rd & 4th gr NASA presentation
- *3:00-3:45pm, K Spanish, SG I
- *3:00-3:50pm, ASL Club, library
- *3:00-5:00pm, STEM Club, lab
- *4:00-7:00pm, Fall Carousel Uniform Fittings, library

Friday, May 24

- *6:30am-6:30pm, 8th gr Hershey Field Trip
- *8:30-10:00am, 3rd gr Math Scantron
- *3:00-4:00pm, Honors Chorus

Monday, May 27

- *NO SCHOOL- MEMORIAL DAY

2019-2020 CLASS PLACEMENT REQUESTS



DUE BY MAY 17TH

In making decisions on the classroom placement of students, the school will consider the following: girl/boy balance, familial relationship, ability grouping, recommendations of the Resource/Counseling Center, recommendations of the previous year's teachers, and teachers' strengths (matching class needs with teacher strengths). Parental choice, mixing classes to improve socialization and other commonly requested considerations will be viewed only after the criteria listed above has been fully met and as long as it does not impact the proper placement of other students. All requests for classroom placement for the 2019-2020 school year must be emailed to our principal, Mrs. Janet Schrom, at jschrom@stpiusbowie.org by **May 17th**. No requests will be accepted after this date. Please email a separate request for each child and include the following information: the student's present grade and homeroom, the teacher you are requesting, a detailed reason for the request, and your name, address, and phone number. Classroom requests are neither required nor encouraged. **Please note that a request does not guarantee placement.**

As you are making your class selections for next year, there are some staff changes that we have already planned. Mrs. Bryant will be going back to be the PreK lead teacher, and Miss Kelsey Parks will be the 4B teacher for the 2019-2020 school year. Any further staffing updates will be made available when possible.

Please check the school calendar for more information:

<http://www.stpiusbowie.org/school-life/calendar/>

NEWS FROM THE SCHOOL ADVISORY BOARD

SAB EXECUTIVE BOARD UPDATE

At our May 2019 meeting, the following board members volunteered to serve on the SAB Executive Committee during the 2019-2020 school year:

President—Mrs. Raquel Sellan (Sacred Heart Parish)

Vice-President—Mrs. Beryl Prescott (St. Edward's Parish)

Thank you, ladies for your willingness to serve!

THANK YOU AND GOODBYE

The following board members will either “graduate” or finish their second term on the School Advisory Board at the end of this school year. On behalf of the entire School Advisory Board, we extend a sincere thank you for all of your generous, quiet, selfless, and effective service to SPX School. You will be missed!

Mrs. Kim Roddy (outgoing Secretary—St. Edward's Parish);

Mrs. Theresa Cooney (outgoing Vice President—St. Edward's Parish);

Mrs. Alisia Ferguson (at-large member);

Mr. John Wasuchno (Ascension Parish);

Mrs. Patricia Reimer (outgoing President—St. Pius X Parish).



STRATEGIC PLANNING—JUNE 3, 2019 HSA MEETING (note date change)

Ms. Kelly Branaman (Associate Superintendent for School Operations and Strategic Planning, Archdiocese of Washington Catholic Schools Office) will speak at the June 3, 2019 HSA meeting at 7 pm in Nelson Hall (please note the date change for the HSA meeting). Associate Sup't Branaman will provide an introduction to the strategic planning process. **The June HSA meeting will be the first opportunity for current school parents to provide input to be considered as part of a future strategic plan. Parents of graduated eighth grade students are welcome to attend the June 3, 2019 HSA meeting to provide comments regarding the school strategic plan.**

The administration will develop a multi year strategic plan for our school over the next 18 months; input will be gathered from staff, teachers, school parents, Pastors, Home School Association members, School Advisory Board members, and other key stakeholders in our school and local community. The strategic plan will be based upon the four pillars of Catholic education in the Archdiocese of Washington: Catholic Identity, Academic Excellence, Enrollment, and Governance. We look forward to seeing you in June!

CURRENT/UPCOMING VACANCIES ON THE SCHOOL ADVISORY BOARD

Several seats will be available on the SAB at the end of this school year for qualified school parents/guardians who, if selected, would be able and willing to volunteer substantial time to support our school and the administration.

The reasons that the SAB will entertain so many upcoming vacancies at one time are that either member terms are ending, or the family is “graduating” from SPX School.

Upcoming Seats that will be available effective June 1, 2019:

***One (1) seat—**St. Edward's Parish**, South Bowie (currently in process of voting)

***One (1) seat—**Ascension Parish**, Old Bowie (need applications)

***One (1) seat—**St. Pius X Parish**, Bowie (currently in process of voting)

If selected for an upcoming vacancy, successful candidates may be asked to attend regular board meetings this spring. Please note that the remaining seats require the applicant to be an active member of that parish. If multiple parents/guardians apply for one seat, the Board reserves the right to schedule interviews of potential qualified candidates.

If you are interested in applying, please contact Board Secretary Kim Roddy for an application. We are reviewing applications on a rolling basis, so if you would like to apply, please do so promptly.

To request an application/obtain additional information: contact Board Secretary Kim Roddy at karoddy@comcast.net

For general questions/obtain additional information: contact Board President Patricia Reimer at patriciareimer@verizon.net

HSA MEETING SCHEDULED FOR MONDAY, MAY 13TH HAS BEEN CHANGED TO MONDAY, JUNE 3RD!

CALLING ALL CYO PLAYERS!

This coming MONDAY MAY 20th is our Spring Chipotle Fundraiser at Bowie Marketplace, 15475 Annapolis Road in Bowie, Md. from 4:00 pm to 8:00 pm. Click here [Chipotle Flyer](#) for details! We look forward to seeing you!!!



Track & Field: Championships will be held this weekend, May 18th at Oxon Hill High School. Come out and cheer us on!

Soccer: Registration for 2019 Fall Soccer will be opening soon!!!!



Softball: Click here [Softball](#) for game times and locations.

Sweatshirts: Order your CYO sweatshirts for those chilly mornings or cool nights! Youth sizes \$20 and adult sizes \$25. Click here [CYO Sweatshirts](#) to download the order form.

UNFULFILLED VSP HOURS WILL BE BILLED

Parents are encouraged to check their VSP balances to make sure their 20- hour commitment (10-hour commitment for single parent household) will be fulfilled by the end of the school year. **You will be charged \$25 per hour for each hour that is unfulfilled, so don't get caught short.** Every hour you serve must be logged on our online volunteer hour tracking system called, Track It Forward. **Every** SPX school family should have a Track-it-Forward account including room parents, CYO coaches, H.S.A. committee chairs and board members. If you have not started your VSP hours, here is the process to get started. **Every volunteer must register online using this website:** <http://www.trackitforward.com/site/st-pius-x-regional-school?type=register>. After creating an account, volunteers will login and hours will then be submitted online, stating the date, hours, activity, and chairperson. Please be sure to include your name when logging your volunteer hours. Volunteer hours will then be approved electronically by the chairperson.

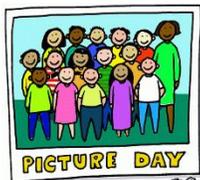
MIDDLE SCHOOL DANCE CHAIRPERSON NEEDED FOR NEXT YEAR

A Middle School Dance Chair-person is needed for the 2019-20 school year. Anyone interested in taking over the Middle School Dances please contact Mariana Lathrop or by email at mariana.lathrop@gmail.com. All VSP hours will be earned for the year. It's easy and fun.



EXTRA CLASS PICTURES

Class pictures have been distributed to those who had pre-ordered and pre-paid for pictures. A limited number of extras are available in the school office. If you would like to see if we have extra class pictures for your student's grade, please contact Mrs. Fay at pfay@stpiusbowie.org Pictures will be \$13.00 and checks should be made out to Lifetouch.



COME JOIN THE GALA PLANNING COMMITTEE

The end of the school year is upon us, and summer is on everyone's mind, but we are already planning for next year's school Gala! We are looking forward to making this event a huge success!



Our first meeting for next year's Gala is scheduled for Tuesday, May 21st @ 6pm, in the library. We are asking that if you are interested in helping with the Gala next year that you attend this meeting. We need volunteers like you to help make this event amazing!

FEED THE BOX TOP BOT!



Hello, St. Pius Family! The Box Top Coordinators have been hard at work by coming up with new ideas to promote Box Tops. By now, we hope you have seen "Box Top Bot" in the lobby. Please feed "Bot" until the end of the school year and over the summer. We will continue to collect box tops and send them in. So far, we have raised \$212.10 and our goal is \$1000.

There are new changes coming: Box Tops will now be going digital! The company will phase out the "clipping of Box Tops" and use the Box Top App to scan receipts. Please keep bringing in your clipped box tops because they will still be honored until their expiration date! There will be a new Box Top mobile app ready in June. It will allow you to scan your store receipts, find participating products and instantly add box tops to our school's earnings online. More details coming soon!"

FIELD DAY VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Field Days for students in PK, K, 1st, 2nd, 6th, 7th and 8th grades will be this spring between May 3rd and May 10th. Please mark your calendar for the following dates:

<u>GRADE</u>	<u>FIELD DAY DATE</u>	<u>TIME</u>
Grades 6-8	Friday, May 17	9:00 to 11:45am



VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

We rely on parent volunteers for the success of these fun-filled days for our students. THIS VOLUNTEER ACTIVITY REQUIRES COMPLIANCE WITH THE ADW'S CHILD PROTECTION POLICY (VIRTUS). PLEASE CONTACT THE OFFICE IF YOU NEED TO FIND OUT HOW TO GET COMPLIANT. VSP hours can also be earned. Please plan to be available from 8:00am until approximately 12:00pm. If you are interested in helping with Field Day, please send a note or an email to Mrs. Lonergan at mlonergan@stpiusbowie.org

BOWLING BALL FOUND IN SCHOOL PARKING LOT



Earlier in the year, it was the found shoe (owner was never located). Now, it's a bowling ball! Did you leave your bowling ball in the school parking lot? Please come to the school office to claim it. We couldn't possibly make this up!

IMPORTANT INFORMATION FROM THE SCHOOL NURSE

Attention: PRE-K Parents and 6th Grade parents

Vaccine Requirements 2019-2020 School Year Updates:

Please check your students immunization record and make sure it is up to date and the School Nurse has an updated copy.



**** Students **entering 7th grade** must have a **TDAP** and **MCV** vaccine prior to the start of the new school year. First day of school is **08/27/2019**. Please if your child has already received these vaccinations send in a copy with your student or send to my email.

We will enforce exclusion from school if not received prior to the first day of school.

**** Students entering **Kindergarten** must have 2 documented doses of **MMR** and **Varicella** prior to the first day of school. If your child has already received these vaccinations send in a copy with your student or send to my email.

We will enforce exclusion from school if not received prior to the **first day of school, 8/27/2019**.

Please contact the School Nurse if you have any questions.

Meghan Benson RN BSN CPN

mbenson@stpiusbowie.org, 301-262-0203 x12

SGA SPIRIT DAYS ON MAY 29, 30 AND 31

May 29 is Class Color Day (This is also the 8th grade parade day.)

May 30 is Culture Day

May 31 is Maryland Day

All three days student will be required to wear their school uniform, but may wear a shirt over the uniform. Socks and hair accessories may also adorn the uniform.

Culture Day may include clothing that celebrates one's heritage.

Maryland Day may include the Maryland flag colors of red, gold, black, and white.

Class colors will match the same colors used for field day. They are as follows:

PK Red

KA Green KB Green

1A Pink 1B Pink

2A Yellow 2B Yellow

3A Red 3B Purple

4A Yellow 4B Light green

5A Orange 5B Blue

6A White, royal blue, and gray

6B Orange, yellow, green

7A Neon yellow, heather red, lavender

7B Teal, black, navy blue

8A Pink, red, neon green

8B Hot pink, light blue, light purple



ALL ABOUT 8TH GRADE

VOLUNTEER SERVICE PROGRAM

Parents of 8th grade students with no other children at St Pius X Regional School must complete their required hours by May 24th. 20 hours are required from a 2-parent household and 10 hours are required from a household with a single parent. You will be billed \$25 per hour for any unfulfilled hours. Diplomas, school report cards and records will be withheld for unfulfilled/unpaid VSP hours as well as unpaid financial obligations.



As we begin 4th quarter, activities for 8th graders will increase: High School t-shirt/sweatshirt day, graduation picture day, their last field day, to name a few. To make sure you are aware of all the events, the details are listed below.

Date	Event
May 17	Field Day Volunteer to be a part of your child's last field day at St. Pius.
May 22	8th Grade Graduation Dance In the hall at 7:00-10:00
May 23	Late arrival for 8th grade Students should come to school at 10AM.
May 24	Hershey Park 6:30a.m- 6:30 p.m.
May 28	8th Grade Breakfast 9AM
	8th Grade Awards Assembly 10AM
May 29	8th Grade Parade 8AM Students must be in a vehicle driven by a parent. Decorations must be in keeping with St. Pius standards. More details will be sent home prior to the parade.
	Graduation Practice 10 -11:30 Students will be released after practice. All students must be picked up in front of the Church by a parent. No students will be permitted to walk or leave school grounds unaccompanied by a parent.
	Graduation 7PM Students only should report to the Hall by 6:30. No parents will be permitted in the Hall. Parents will enter the Church through the front door.

We hope this helps you plan for all activities. Please contact your child's homeroom teacher if you have any questions.

ONE FOR THE TEAM



Show your team spirit by joining us for a fundraiser to support St. Pius CYO. Come in to the Chipotle at **15475 Annapolis Road** in Bowie on **Monday, May 20th** between **4:00pm** and **8:00pm**. Bring in this flyer, show it on your smartphone or tell the cashier you're supporting the cause to make sure that 33% of the proceeds will be donated to St. Pius CYO.



Online orders will not be included in the fundraiser total. To ensure your purchase is counted in the fundraiser, be sure to order and pay in-restaurant. Gift card purchases during fundraisers do not count towards total donated sales, but purchases made with an existing gift card will count.

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

<http://stedwardbowie.com>

SAVE THE DATES

May 16 – Tag Day

May 17 – Early dismissal day

May 18 – Fun day

May 20 – Fun day T-shirt day

May 22 – End of Year Whole School Mass

May 23 – Fall Carousel Uniform Fitting

May 27 – No School Memorial Day

August 27 – First Day of 2019-2020 School Year

FUN Day Checklist and Ticket Order Form

FUN Day can only happen with the assistance of the community of families at St Pius.

Help us make Fun Day 2019 Great!!

__ Donate/Send in 2 Liter of soda to classroom for the soda toss game.

__Donate/ Send in kid friendly grocery item to classroom for the brown bag it game.

__ Donate/Send in any and all new items to Wishing Well tub in lobby. This is for the Wishing Well game that is a favorite with the students. The item does not need to be expensive we love all donations!

Email Christa Hagins with any questions. Christa.hagins3@gmail.com

__ Volunteer for Friday night Fun Day set up and Saturday for Fun Day on the SIG <https://bit.ly/2Da7LxH>

__ Come out Saturday, May 18th 11am- 3 pm with family and friends to create treasured memories!

Please join us for

BOWIE MARYLAND

SAINT PIUS X

FUN DAY 2019

Saturday, May 18, 2019

11:00am to 3:00pm

In the back lot of the school Rain or Shine!

Prizes Games Raffles

Rides Food

SPX has a special TAG Day for those who order a Fun Day t-shirt is **Monday, May 20th**! Last Day to order Fun Day t-shirts was **Friday, April 22nd**. <https://bit.ly/2I4QklF>

WE NEED YOUR HELP

It takes dozens of volunteers to make Fun Day run smoothly. Please help us with this great SPX tradition. Earn valuable VSP hours as well. Use the link below to sign-up.

<https://bit.ly/2Da7LxH>

Another way parents can help is to donate a small toy, game, book, or other prize to the Wishing Well game. A bin will be placed in the lobby where donations can be dropped off. Students of all ages love this game and we need your help to keep it going!

Please email Christa Hagins (christahagins3@gmail.com) if you have any questions.



St. Pius X SUMMER CAMP 2019

Session 1 - July 8 - 12

Session 2 - July 15 - 19

Session 3 - July 22 - 26

9am to 3pm

(Extended Day option available: 8:00am drop-off, 5:00pm pick-up)

Eligible students: SPX students entering Kindergarten through 6th grade

Cost: \$185.00 per child per week

(additional charge for extended day option:

Before care \$25 per week and After Care \$50 per week)

Activities include COOKING, DRAMA, GAMES, COMPUTERS,
ARTS, CRAFTS AND MORE!

[Click here to download the registration forms from our school website](#)

Registration deadline: May 17, 2019

Any registrations received after this time may not receive a Camp t-shirt.

Please return completed Application, Emergency Forms, and procedures forms to school.

All billing will go directly through your TADS account

All fees must be paid in full by June 7, 2019.

Please do not send payments to school.

Please contact Leigh Hampton for more information at lhampton@stpiusbowie.org