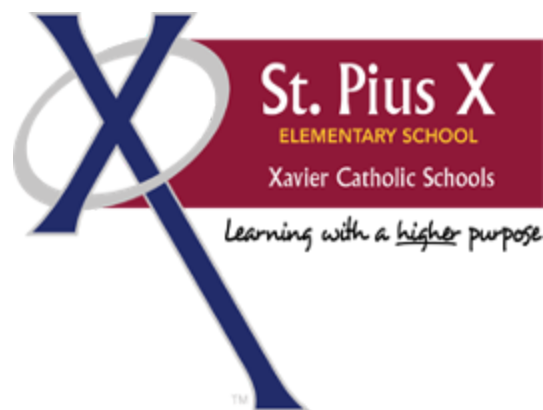


Panther Weekly News April 23, 2021



Upcoming Events

- April 26th - Pius Pride Online Auction closes at noon
- April 27th - Spring Pictures
- April 28th - 5th Grade Field Trip to Regis
- April 30th - Casual Day

PIUS PRIDE 2021

THANK YOU to everyone who has supported our virtual event this week! The **PIUS PRIDE 2021 Online Auction** is at <https://auctria.events/SPXPiusPride2021>. The online auction will close Monday, April 26th at noon!

PIUS PRIDE SPONSORS

A huge thank you to our Pius Pride 2021 sponsors! Thank you so much for your generous support of Pius Pride & St. Pius X School!

GOLD level (\$5,000+)

Eastern Iowa Oral Surgery
Schimberg Co.

SILVER level (\$2,500+)

Stillwater Coffee Co.

BRONZE level (\$1,000+)

PCI ENT
Cortrol Process Systems
Hawkeye Communication
Teahen Funeral Home

NAVY level (\$500+)

CCB Packaging
DeNeve Construction
GreatAmerica Financial Services
Green State Credit Union
Hills Bank
Horton Family Dental
RSH Legal
The Overture Group
Woodharbor

MAROON level (\$100+)

Design Engineers
Father Phil Thompson
Frese Appraisal Service

Spring Picture Day

Tuesday, April 27th

The picture session will be a no contact session and all students will be standing for their photo. Orders will be done online only - no paper orders will be sent home.

To order ahead of time, please go to mylifetouch.com and enter our **Picture Day ID: EVTDJQKN3** You can also wait until after photos are taken to place an order.

If your child is doing online learning and would like a picture taken, please call the office to let Maggie know.

School picture day is considered a “dress-up” event.

- Appropriate clothing may include uniform approved pants and a nice shirt
- Skirts & dresses (of the appropriate length) are acceptable for girls
- Thin or spaghetti straps, sleeveless, crop shirts, exposed shoulder tops and tank tops are not allowed – if these styles are worn, a sweater (or something similar) must be worn over top
- Jeans, sweatpants, etc. are not considered dress code or better - no faded, ripped, torn or baggy pants.

PTO News

Grandparents & Special Friends Day

Please pass along the Grandparents and Special Friends Day' email. The Grandparents Day Committee is excited to put together a recipe book of family recipes that we will share back with you and can also be shared with our grandparents / special friends. Email Recipes to: spxgrandparentsday@gmail.com by May 14th.

We are also hoping that even though our event isn't in person that our grandparents and special friends will be willing to have the same generosity towards the library that they have in years past. Donations can be made via <https://fundraiser.support/SPXGrandparentsDay2021> or by sending a check to the school. Please share this message with your grandparents and special friends in the way they would best receive it (by mail or email) Thank you for your help in making this a special event.

Teacher Appreciation Week

Teacher Appreciation Week is coming up - **May 2nd - May 7th!**

Donations needed for the week: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/30e0d45afa828a1f49-staff>

Sunday / Monday - Chalk the Walk with words and pictures of gratitude. Anyone can come and chalk the front of St Pius and the sidewalks around the playground. The ELC front area will be decorated by Panther Playhouse on Monday.

Tuesday - Bring a flower or a few flowers for the Teachers and Staff. These flowers will go in vases provided by PTO

Wednesday - Breakfast will be provided for Staff

Thursday - Snack Packs for Staff

Friday - Handwritten Thank You Notes (Please make these at home and bring them on Friday) + Lunch will be provided compliments of the PTO

Teacher Wish Lists are available at [Teacher Wish Lists](#) if you would like to purchase something off these lists for your teachers. These can be brought any day during the week.

2021-2022 School Supplies

Once again, we are partnering with 1st Day School Supplies to make your school supply shopping a little easier. Orders can be placed anytime and will be ready & waiting at your child's desk when they come to “Meet Your Teacher Day” right before school starts in August. Ordering through 1st Day is optional - complete supply lists for 2021-22 will be available on our website soon! (This is a small fundraiser for the St. Pius X PTO)

The BEST Way to Buy Back-to-School Supplies!

Click Here to Order Now!
Order by July 1st

✓ Eliminate the Risk of Shopping at the Big Box Retailers

✓ Name Brand Products Like:




TEACHER CERTIFIED APPROVED

1stDay School Supplies

Pre-Order Today at: 1stDaySchoolSupplies.com

Lunch & Breakfast Menus

[April Lunch Menu](#)

[April Breakfast Menu](#)

Transportation Reimbursement

As a reminder Parent Reimbursement forms are due **May 1st**, as stated on the form itself. Forms may be submitted anytime prior to the deadline. Please check for the parent signature and school district they reside. Please fill out the information legibly, completely, sign and date. Also, all students should be included on one application. Per the state of Iowa guidelines, we will not accept forms past the deadline.

If you will be using the spring transportation option at any point, you are not eligible for the reimbursement.

[Cedar Rapids Community School District](#)

[Linn Mar Community School District](#)

[College Community School District](#)

[Marion Independent School District](#)

SCRIP News

Are you interested in volunteering with the SCRIP program? Click the signup link to see the available opportunities! <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/30e0a45aeac23a1f49-scrip10>

SCRIP Important Dates

Monday Orders - due no later than 10am and sent home on Thursday of the same week with your Pius student.
5/10

Cash and Carry Dates - Orders are due by noon & will go home with your Pius student. [Cash & Carry Order Form](#)
5/13

Xavier Catholic Schools News

Xavier Youth Summer Camps

Xavier High School will be hosting a variety of summer camps for elementary and middle school students this summer. Campers will have an opportunity to learn key skills from the coaches and directors of Xavier's championship-caliber activities programs while having fun!

Camps currently offered include Girls Basketball, Girls Basketball Coach Tom Lilly's "Shoot Like a Champion" Clinic, Show Choir, Co-Ed Track, Boys Basketball, and Volleyball. Additional camps are expected to be added soon! Head to www.XavierSaints.org/Camps to register today and to learn more! All campers receive a t-shirt and all registration is online - no phone orders. For additional information, contact Pam Barta in the XHS Activities Office at pam.barta@xaversaints.org or 319-294-6635 ext. 302.

Xavier Booster Club Golf Outing

The Xavier Booster Club Golf Outing returns on Monday, June 28th at Elmcrest Country Club! Sign up to play today in this 4-person best-shot golf event. This is a great opportunity to have fun golfing on a beautiful course while supporting the Xavier Booster Club in its mission of supporting current and future Saints across their various activities. Morning (8am) and afternoon (1pm) shotgun start times are available. Boxed lunches and flight prizes will be offered. For more information and to register, head to <https://www.xaviersaints.org/golf>.

****The Panther Weekly news is a weekly email sent (usually on Fridays) to parents & other supporters of St. Pius X Elementary to keep you up to date with school & community news. If you would like to be added or removed from this email distribution list, please reply to this email to let us know.****