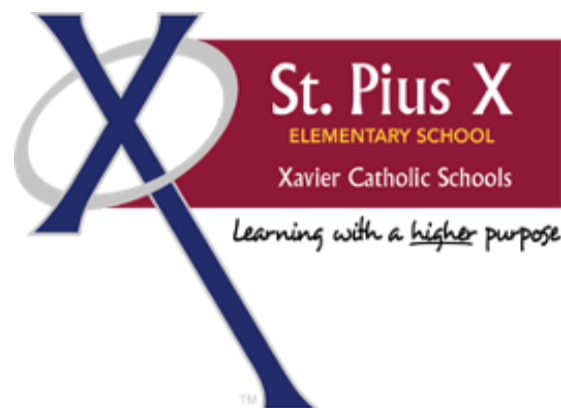


Panther Weekly News May 27, 2021



This is our final newsletter of the 2020-2021 school year - thank you for a great school year! Have a wonderful summer!

UPCOMING EVENTS

- May 28 - LAST day of school

LAST DAY OF SCHOOL

Our last day of school is tomorrow, **Friday, May 28th**. Because we have a prayer service in the morning, this day will be a **dress code day**. The prayer service will begin at 10am and students will be dismissed in a staggered schedule by grade beginning around 11am. The prayer service will be for students & staff only, but will be livestreamed for family & friends to view. <https://www.crpix.org/live-stream-events> A more detailed email was sent earlier today.

SUMMER OFFICE HOURS

8am - 12pm

There will generally be someone available during this timeframe, but it's always a good idea to call the school before stopping by, just to make sure someone is here! 319-393-4507

TRANSPORTATION REQUESTS - 2021-2022

If you reside in the Cedar Rapids School District and would like to request busing for next school year - please fill out the [Transportation Request Survey](#). **The deadline to submit is today, Thursday, May 27th**. We are asking ALL interested families to complete this survey.

Requesting transportation does not guarantee placement on a route. All requests will be forwarded to the CRCSD Transportation Department. The pandemic has created a difficult situation with bus drivers; staff numbers are much lower than what is needed to operate bus routes at pre-pandemic levels.

LIBRARY NEWS

Summer is almost here but we DONUT want students to stop reading!! We want students to join the St. Pius X Summer Reading Challenge and get a delicious donut as a prize when school starts next fall. You can either print out the form, fill it out in the Google doc and share it, or email it to us. There is NO minimum amount of reading required. We just want students to have fun, be active and READ this summer! Links to the St. Pius X School Library Challenge and other fun reading challenges in our community are listed below:

[St. Pius X School Library Summer Reading Challenge](#)
[Cedar Rapids/Marion/Hiawatha Public Libraries](#)
[Barnes & Noble Summer Reading Program](#)
[Cedar Rapids Kernels Summer Reading Scorecard](#)

If you have questions, please don't hesitate to reach out to us, cpopenhagen@stpiusxschoolcr.com or esmith@stpiusxschoolcr.com

MUSIC NEWS

Hello K-5 Families,

As you know, we recorded our concert this year. Here is the link to the private video of the concert.

<https://youtu.be/dbHgcVK0Kxg> Have a lovely summer. Mrs. J

PTO NEWS

2021-2022 School Supplies

The complete school supply list for next school year is now available.

[School Supply List 2021-22](#)

Students may bring the supplies to "Meet Your Teacher Day" before school starts - to order supplies online, please see the information below.

Order Online

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 - the deadline to order is July 1st. <https://1stdayschoolsupplies.com/kits.php?sid=40084>

Grandparents Day

Thanks for your recipes! Printed copies of the cookbooks will be going home this week. You can also access the digital version [HERE](#).

We were blown away by the generosity of our grandparents and special friends with donations for our school library - THANK YOU so much!

Blessings, The Grandparents Day Committee

Uniform Exchange

Thank you for the donations brought in this week. Donations will be accepted & an opportunity to "shop" will happen in August - watch for more information later this summer!

VOLUNTEERS

We plan to have volunteers back in the building in a normal capacity next school year. In order for that to happen, we need to confirm interested people have all the required volunteer forms & training completed.

To get an idea of what people are interested in helping with, we have put together a survey with most of our volunteer opportunities. Please complete the form and mark all events and opportunities you are interested in helping with or learning more about! We will have the appropriate people contact you with more information.

[Volunteer Opportunities 2021-22](#)

Additionally, if you have other family members that are interested in volunteering (ie. grandparents), they can go through the same process outlined above. Please send their contact information to erheinschmidt@stpiusxschoolcr.com so we can get in touch with them.

Thank you so much for considering volunteering your time & talent - volunteers make a huge difference to our students & staff!!

YEARBOOKS

Yearbooks were sent home with students who ordered. If you did not order one and would still like to purchase one, please call the office (393-4507) to request a copy. A very limited number are available for \$12 each.

Xavier Catholic Schools News

CR BULLDOGS 2021-2022 - Registration is NOW OPEN!

To register go to: <https://go.teamsnap.com/forms/266517>

Over summer there is communication on rosters, uniforms, schedules and getting everything ready to start in September! Any questions please reach out to Bulldogs President Dale Emerson at demerson@coe.edu

Xavier Youth Summer Camps

Xavier High School will be hosting a variety of summer camps for elementary and middle school students this summer.

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.

CR Saints Softball

Saints softball will be holding tryouts for the 2021 fall through 2022 spring/summer seasons for 8U-12U teams. Join our organization for some FUN and COMPETITIVE softball!!!

Online registration begins on June 30, 2021. www.crsaintssoftball.com

Tryout dates: July 26-30

- 8U: born on or after January 1, 2013; birth years 2013 or after
- 10U: born on or after January 1, 2011; birth years 2011-12
- 12U: born on or after January 1, 2009; birth years 2009-10

***Make-up dates will be set-up on an as-needed basis, July 19-22. Please email after June 30 to schedule an individual time.

Contact us with questions: crsaintssoftball@hotmail.com

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