



summer SPIRIT 2026

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Join the community at Pius XI Catholic High School for **Summer SPIRIT 2026**: the place where future Popes explore their passions in a real high school setting!

This summer, students in all grades can choose from a wide variety of hands-on, high-energy camps in athletics, visual arts, STEM, performance, fitness, and more.

Our motto, **Be More You**, comes to life all summer long.

Whether you're:

- Training on the court with championship-level coaches
- Creating in Wisconsin's most awarded high school visual arts program
- Designing and problem-solving in STEM innovation camps
- Finding your spotlight in musical theatre and performance
- Building strength and confidence in sports and conditioning session

...you'll be learning from the same passionate educators and coaches who lead our nationally recognized high school programs.

BE MORE YOU+

Summer **SPIRIT** isn't just about trying something new — it's about discovering what excites you, sharpening your skills, making new friends, and stepping into your confidence.

No matter which camps you choose, we hope one thing is true by the end of summer 2026:
You leave being even more **YOU**.

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PERFORMANCE
INNOVATION
RECREATION
IMAGINATION
TALENT

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FUEL YOUR **SPIRIT**. EXPLORE YOUR FUTURE!

BASKETBALL

BASKETBALL FUNDAMENTAL SKILLS (GIRLS)

Train with Lady Popes energy!

Get ready to train with Lady Popes excellence! Led by Pius XI Lady Popes Head Coach, Scott Herrick '75, this girls basketball fundamentals camp brings elite coaching, spirited competition, and championship culture to every player. Campers will dive into high-energy drills, scrimmage games, and skill-building activities that strengthen shooting, ball handling, finishing, defense, and court IQ. Whether you're new to the game or already dribbling with confidence, this camp is your chance to grow your skills, boost your competitive edge, and play with purpose — just like the Lady Popes who achieved historic milestones on the hardwood!

DATES: JUNE 8 - 11, 2026

GRADES 6-9: 1:30 PM - 3:00 PM

LOCATION: SITZBERGER FIELD HOUSE (PIUS XI)

INSTRUCTOR: COACH SCOTT HERRICK '75 & COACHING STAFF

FEE: \$100

BASKETBALL FUNDAMENTAL SKILLS (BOYS)

Learn the basics. Build confidence. Love the game.

At the Boys Basketball Fundamental Skills Camp, campers will build confidence and level up their game through high-energy drills and game-like challenges. Players will sharpen essential skills like shooting, finishing, passing and catching, ball handling, attack moves, and smart decision-making—while also learning the basics of game play and strategy. Designed for all skill and experience levels, this camp is perfect for kids who love the game, want to improve, and are ready to have fun doing it in a positive, encouraging environment.

DATES: JUNE 22 - 25, 2026

GRADES 4-6: 8:30 AM - 10:30 AM

GRADES 7-9: 11:00 AM - 1:00 PM

LOCATION: SITZBERGER FIELD HOUSE (PIUS XI)

INSTRUCTOR: COACH DAN CAREY '00 & COACHING STAFF

FEE: \$100

BASKETBALL PURE SHOOTING (BOYS)

Perfect your form. Trust your shot. Drain more buckets.

The Boys Basketball Pure Shooting Camp is all about building confident, consistent shooters through proven fundamentals and purposeful repetition. Campers will get up a high volume of shots each day while focusing on proper shooting mechanics, balance, footwork, and form. Through focused drills and guided instruction, athletes will sharpen their technique, improve accuracy, and develop muscle memory they can rely on in games. If you're ready to refine your shot and put in the work, this camp delivers reps that make a real difference.

DATES: JUNE 29 - JULY 2, 2026

GRADES 4-6: 8:30 AM - 10:30 AM

GRADES 7-9: 11:00 AM - 1:00 PM

LOCATION: SITZBERGER FIELD HOUSE (PIUS XI)

INSTRUCTOR: COACH DAN CAREY '00 & COACHING STAFF

FEE: \$100

BASKETBALL MIGHTY MITES | GIRLS & BOYS | K-3 *Big fun. First skills. Mighty confidence.*

Mighty Mites Camp is the perfect first step into basketball for both boys and girls! Designed to build confidence and excitement, this camp introduces young players to the basics of the game using youth-sized basketballs and smaller hoops—helping campers learn proper fundamentals and develop great habits right from the start. Through fun practice stations, energetic drills, and interactive games, campers will work on skills like dribbling, passing, shooting, and teamwork in a positive, encouraging environment. Best of all, every camper goes home with a special Mighty Mites t-shirt and their own youth basketball to keep practicing long after camp ends!

DATES: JULY 20 - 23, 2026

8:30 AM - 10:00 AM

LOCATION: SITZBERGER FIELD HOUSE (PIUS XI)

INSTRUCTOR: COACH DAN CAREY '00 & COACHING STAFF

FEE: \$75

GOLF | FOOTBALL | RUNNING | SOFTBALL

GOLF CAMP | BOYS & GIRLS

Instruction. Experience. Play the game for real.

This immersive golf camp offers exceptional value for players of all skill levels, including beginners—no prior experience needed. Campers will receive hands-on instruction in the fundamentals of golf, including rules, scoring, etiquette, and course strategy, with a strong emphasis on proper form and real game scenarios. Each day includes structured morning instruction on the driving range and practice facilities, followed by lunch (included) and guided on-course play at the Sunny Slopes 9-Hole Golf Course. With expert coaching, quality facilities, on-course experience, and meals provided, this camp delivers a well-rounded, high-quality golf experience designed to build confidence, skill, and a true love for the game!

DATES: JUNE 22 - 25 2026

LOCATION: SUNNYSLOPE GOLF COURSE

GRADES 4-9: 8:30 AM - 11:30 AM

INSTRUCTOR: COACH WILL SWENSON

FEE: \$300

JR. POPES FOOTBALL | BOYS & GIRLS

Train the right way. Play the Pius XI way.

This football camp for both boys and girls, gives youth athletes the opportunity to build strong, game-ready fundamentals in a fun, competitive environment. Led by Head Football Coach and proud Pius XI Pope, Coach Jesse Stewart '07, campers will take part in drills and skill-building activities that focus on proper technique and habits that translate directly to the high school level. Along the way, athletes will gain insight into the philosophy, expectations, and culture of the Pius XI Football program—learning how we train, compete, and grow together as teammates. Campers will leave with increased confidence, sharper skills, and a strong foundation for the next level of play.

DATES: JULY 14 - 16, 2026

LOCATION: DYER FIELD

GRADES 4-9: 3:30 PM - 5:30 PM

INSTRUCTOR: COACH JESSE STEWART '07 & COACHING STAFF

FEE: \$100

RUN CAMP | BOYS & GIRLS

Let's run and have fun!

This fun, high-energy running camp is perfect for boys and girls of all experience levels—even if you've never run before! Campers will learn how to run the right way in a welcoming, encouraging environment focused on confidence and fun. Through games, challenges, and interactive activities, participants will build skills like proper stretching, running form, breathing techniques, pacing, and stamina. Along the way, campers will make new friends, stay active, and discover that running can be exciting and empowering. The week wraps up with a fun end-of-camp race that celebrates progress, effort, and teamwork—no pressure, just pride!

DATES: JUNE 15 - JULY 9, 2026
TUESDAYS & THURSDAYS

LOCATION: GREENFIELD PARK & PIUS XI

GRADES 4-9: 6:00 PM - 7:30 PM

INSTRUCTOR: COACH MARY RIEGERT '66

FEE: \$40

SOFTBALL FUNDAMENTALS (GIRLS)

Build skills. Swing with confidence: strong fundamentals start here.

Step onto the field and level up your game at this Softball Fundamentals Camp! Campers will sharpen essential skills in hitting, fielding, and pitching through fast-paced drills, hands-on instruction, and game-style activities designed to build confidence and consistency. Whether you're just starting out or looking to refine your technique, this camp focuses on strong fundamentals, smart play, and having fun while learning the game. Come ready to work hard, grow your skills, and play with confidence!

DATES: JUNE 15 - JUNE 18, 2026

LOCATION: DYER FIELD

GRADES 6-9: 9:00 AM - 11:00 AM

INSTRUCTOR: COACH JOEL CLAASSEN & COACHING STAFF

FEE: \$50

STRENGTH | VOLLEYBALL

STRENGTH & CONDITIONING | BOYS & GIRLS

Build strength. Build confidence. Build you.

This camp runs Monday–Thursday over a three-week period and is designed to help students build strength, confidence, and comfort in the weight room—no experience required. Whether you’re brand new to lifting or already active in sports, this program meets you where you are and helps you grow at your own pace. Campers will learn proper lifting and running form, along with essential weight room safety and etiquette, in a supportive, team-focused environment. Each day includes two sessions—one focused on lifting and one on conditioning—with clear instruction and encouragement throughout. A structured weightlifting plan will be provided, and conditioning activities will change daily to keep things fresh and engaging. Students should wear athletic clothing and tennis shoes. For safety reasons, open-toed shoes, boots, or sandals are not permitted. The high school session is open to incoming Pius XI students only, while the middle school session is open to all incoming 6th–8th graders, regardless of school or athletic background.

DATES: JULY 6 - 23, 2026

GRADES 9-11: 7:30 AM - 9:00 AM (SESSION 1)

POPES ONLY! 9:15 AM - 10:45 AM (SESSION 2)

GRADES 6-8: 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM

LOCATION: SITZBERGER FIELD HOUSE (PIUS XI)

INSTRUCTOR: JAMES WARREN '23 & JULIAN ALVAREZ ROBLES '24

FEE: \$65

BOYS VOLLEYBALL

Train hard. Play fast. Love the game.

Join players and coaches from the Pius XI Catholic High School boys volleyball program for an exciting, high-energy camp built for boys entering grades 5–9. Designed for athletes of all experience levels, this camp blends skill development with nonstop fun. Campers will work on essential volleyball techniques—passing, setting, serving, and hitting—through engaging drills and competitive challenges. Players will train on multiple courts for hands-on instruction tailored to their skill level, then come together for team scrimmages, friendly competitions, and chances to win prizes. Whether you’re new to the game or looking to level up, this camp is the perfect place to learn, compete, and love volleyball.

DATES: JULY 27 - 30, 2026

GRADES 5-9: 12:00 PM - 2:00 PM

LOCATION: SITZBERGER FIELD HOUSE (PIUS XI)

INSTRUCTOR: COACH KEVIN LEROY

FEE: \$100

GIRLS VOLLEYBALL (2 SESSIONS)

Bump. Set. Spike. Belong on the court.

Join award-winning Coach Dave Scher to learn how to bump, set, and spike! Campers are taught all the basic fundamentals of volleyball with the goal of becoming ready to try out for a high school team. Whether you’re new to the court or you’re an experienced setter, we hope you’ll join us this summer at Pius XI this summer!

DATES: JULY 20 - 24, 2026

GRADES 5-7: 9:00 AM - 11:15 AM

GRADES 8-9: 12:00 PM - 2:15 PM

DATES: JULY 27 - 31, 2026

GRADES 8-9: 9:00 AM - 11:15 AM

LOCATION: SITZBERGER FIELD HOUSE (PIUS XI)

INSTRUCTOR: COACH DAVE SCHER

FEE: \$100



COMPUTER SCIENCE | GRADES 6-9

Code it. Test it. Bring it to life.

Discover the power of coding and bring technology to life in this hands-on Computer Science camp! Campers will learn the basics of computer science by programming real digital computer boards, designing and testing their own software to solve real-world challenges. Using Microsoft MakeCode, students will experiment, problem-solve, and see their code in action—no prior experience required. Best of all, campers will leave with their own MakeCode account so they can keep creating and coding long after camp ends.

DATES: JULY 6 - 10, 2026
2:00 PM - 3:30 PM

LOCATION: PIUS XI CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL
INSTRUCTOR: GREG GABRIELSEN
FEE: \$75

SCIENCE & ART OF COOKING | GRADES 6-9

Cook it. Create it. Discover the science behind every bite!

Our cooking class is designed to explore the fascinating chemistry behind favorite foods while unleashing a creative flair on every plate. Kids will get a front-row seat to food science in action. Our classes encourage kids to experiment with colors, textures, and designs, turning every dish into a beautiful edible masterpiece. They'll enjoy fun, hands-on activities that make learning about chemical reactions and artistic expression both engaging and delicious. Through collaborative projects and friendly competitions, kids will gain confidence in the kitchen and a deeper understanding of how science and art can come together to create something truly extraordinary.

DATES: JULY 6 - 10, 2026
12:15 PM - 1:45 PM

LOCATION: PIUS XI CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL
INSTRUCTOR: BEKKI WILLEMS-SOLC
FEE: \$90

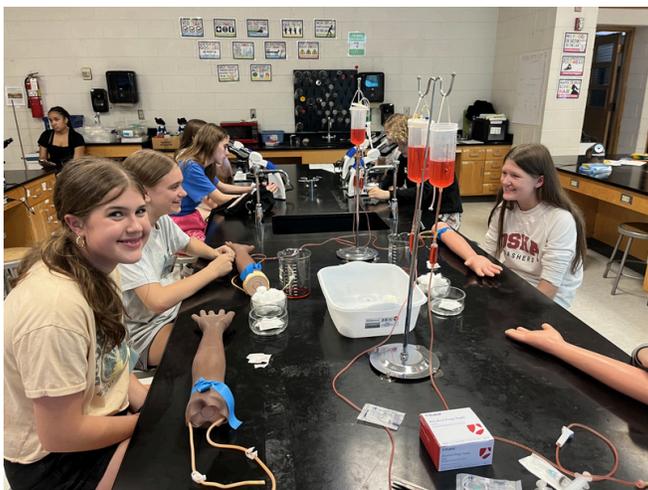
FUTURE MEDICAL PROFESSIONALS | GRADES 6-9

Dive into the world of medicine this summer!

If you're a student in grades 6-9 with a passion for science and healthcare, this camp is for you! Learn to draw blood, suture like a surgeon, take vital signs, and build medical models that bring the human body to life. From dissecting a chicken wing to exploring a real sheep heart: every day is filled with hands-on experiences. Don't miss this opportunity to explore the exciting field of medicine!

DATES: JULY 13 - 17, 2026
10:00 AM - 11:30 AM

LOCATION: PIUS XI CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL
INSTRUCTOR: RAECHAL VOLKENING
FEE: \$105



CREATIVE & WRITING

CREATIVE WRITING | GRADES 6-9

Step into imagination-first storytelling.

In this creative writing camp, students invent strange characters, build original worlds, and write scenes filled with mystery, humor, and surprise. Through playful prompts, collaborative storytelling, and fast-paced creativity games, campers learn how writers bring imagined worlds to life. The focus is curiosity, confidence, and fun (no grammar drills, no pressure to be “perfect”). Just bold ideas, inventive thinking, and the joy of making stories that have never existed before.

DATES: JULY 6 - 10, 2026
8:15 AM - 9:45 AM

LOCATION: PIUS XI CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL
INSTRUCTOR: MAGGIE HERBST
FEE: \$75

COMIC BOOK CREATION | GRADES 6-9

Create your own comic universe from panel one!

In this hands-on camp, students design characters, develop storylines, and experiment with visual storytelling through comics and graphic narratives. Campers explore pacing, dialogue, action, and layout while drawing, writing, and collaborating on original comic creations. Whether students love to draw, write, or both, this camp celebrates imagination, humor, and expressive storytelling. No experience needed—just a love of creativity and a willingness to experiment.

DATES: JULY 6 - 10, 2026
10:00 AM - 11:30 AM

LOCATION: PIUS XI CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL
INSTRUCTOR: MAGGIE HERBST
FEE: \$75

ILLUSTRATION | GRADES 7-9

Illustration is the art of telling a story through pictures!

This Illustration Camp is a perfect on-ramp for students interested in joining Pius XI Catholic High School’s award-winning Visual Art Program—the most awarded visual arts program in the state of Wisconsin. Illustration is the art of storytelling through images, and in this camp, students will learn how visual elements can communicate powerful ideas, emotions, and narratives without words. Campers will build foundational drawing and design skills while developing their own artistic voice through guided brainstorming, sketching, and creative planning. By translating ideas into polished visual concepts, students gain the confidence, skills, and creative mindset that directly prepare them for success in Pius XI’s nationally recognized art program.

DATES: JULY 13 - 17, 2026
8:15 AM - 11:30 AM

LOCATION: PIUS XI CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL
INSTRUCTOR: ANNE HARVEY
FEE: \$225

VISUAL ART DISCOVERY LAB | GRADES 4-6

Explore creativity. Be More You.

Curious about art or love to create—but not sure where to start? This camp is designed for young artists in grades 4-6 who want to explore, experiment, and discover their creative spark. Campers will get a fun, hands-on introduction to the many types of art classes offered at Pius XI, from drawing and painting to design, mixed media, and more. With plenty of encouragement and room to try new things, students will build confidence, express themselves, and learn that there’s no “right way” to be an artist—just your way.

DATES: JULY 13 - 27, 2026
8:15 AM - 9:45 AM

LOCATION: PIUS XI CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL
INSTRUCTOR: MAGGIE HERBST
FEE: \$105

PERFORMING ARTS

ACTING WORKSHOP | GRADES 6-9

Build your skills. Find your voice. Own the stage!

Discover the building blocks of great acting in this two-week Foundational Acting Camp, led by Pius XI's award-winning Theater Department! This camp introduces core acting skills such as stage presence, active listening, imagination, and truthful storytelling. Through engaging activities and scene work, students will build confidence performing in front of others, explore character development, and gain practical tools they can use in auditions, classes, and onstage. Whether you're stepping onstage for the first time or sharpening your skills, this camp will help you grow as a performer—and step into the spotlight with confidence. We can't wait to work with you!

DATES: JULY 6 - 17, 2026
2:00 PM - 3:30 PM

LOCATION: PIUS XI CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL
INSTRUCTOR: KATE SARNER
FEE: \$175

DANCE COLLECTIVE | GRADES 6-9

All styles. All levels. One amazing week.

This coed, week-long dance camp invites students entering grades 6-9 of all experience levels to move, learn, and have fun exploring multiple styles of dance. Led by Pius XI Pope and current student at Marquette University, Janiah Stewart '24, campers will build foundational skills in jazz, ballet, lyrical, and hip hop. Through across-the-floor exercises, skill-building technique work, and learning high-energy choreography, dancers will strengthen their movement quality, confidence, and versatility in a supportive, upbeat environment. Campers should wear athletic clothing, keep hair pulled back, bring a water bottle, and wear appropriate dance shoes or tennis shoes.

DATES: JULY 13 - 17, 2026
10:00 AM - 11:30 AM

LOCATION: PIUS XI CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL
INSTRUCTOR: JANIAH STEWART '24
FEE: \$90



MUSICAL THEATER FUNDAMENTALS | GRADES 4-6

Find your voice, move with confidence, and own the stage!

Learn how to become a triple threat in the musical theater industry! This two-week camp is designed for students enter grades 6-9 to practice singing, acting, and dancing that will help you nail an audition for a school/community musical or play by putting your best foot forward! Increase your self-confidence when performing in front of others and learn how to pick audition pieces that best show your strengths! We look forward to working with you.

DATES: JULY 6 - 17, 2026
12:15 PM - 1:45 PM

LOCATION: PIUS XI CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL
INSTRUCTOR: KATE SARNER
FEE: \$175

KITCHEN BASICS 101 | GRADES 6-9

Get ready to chop, mix and cook!

In this one-week Kitchen Basics camp, kids will learn how to work safely in the kitchen while making easy, tasty recipes. Campers will practice using real kitchen tools, learn simple cooking techniques, and discover how to follow recipes like a pro. Along the way, they'll build confidence, teamwork skills, and a love for cooking—all while having fun and enjoying what they create! Learn the basics, eat like a king (or queen!)

DATES: JULY 6 - 10, 2026
10:00 AM - 11:30 AM

LOCATION: PIUS XI CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL
INSTRUCTOR: BEKKI WILLEMS-SOLC
FEE: \$90

POWER & PEACE | GRADES 7-10

...WORLD SIMULATION GAME

Think fast. Negotiate faster. Rule the world.

Power & Peace is a brand new turnless, diceless, real-time geopolitical simulation megagame where players become leaders of up to 26 independent nations (A-Z) spread across 4 fictional, rotating planets. Nations are tasked with increasing their own prosperity while managing the supply chain of 15 different vital resources, all amid a barrage of both natural and geopolitical crises across the massive game board. In this high-stakes challenge — equally inspired by Risk, Civilization, and Model UN — students experience the tension of geopolitics as they create their own deals, coalitions, and strategies to build the most successful country. The best part? Every player is always playing. Moving game pieces, tactical decision-making, and treaty negotiations all occur simultaneously in this unique, action-packed game. Learn more at www.powerpeace.org.

DATES: JULY 6 - 10, 2026
18:15 AM - 11:30 AM

LOCATION: PIUS XI CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL
INSTRUCTOR: JIMMY MULLOOLY '20
FEE: \$90



POLICIES



PHONE POLICY:

When we welcome your students to be Popes for the week, we want them to get the full experience! Pius XI is a phone-free school, meaning that no phones will be allowed during camp duration. Phones are not required for any camps, and we hope students will use this time to build community with those around them and embrace all opportunities distraction-free.

LUNCH/SNACK:

All campers are expected to provide their own packed lunch, snack, and water bottle daily each day of camp.

A break will be provided between each camp session, with a longer break for lunch midday. Students will eat with all camp participants and current Pius XI students.

9:45 - 10:00: Break/Snack

11:30 - 12:15: Break/Lunch

1:45 - 2:00: Break/Snack

PAYMENT:

Payments must be made in full at the time of registration.

CANCELLATION/WITHDRAWAL POLICY:

Pius XI reserves the right to cancel any camp for any reason, including low enrollment. Should a camp be cancelled, registered families will be notified and will be able to either transfer the amount to another camp with open registration available only paying the difference in cost, or receive a refund. Prior to May 15th, cancellations are eligible for a refund minus a \$10 cancellation fee. After May 15th, should special circumstances arise, please feel free to contact the camp coordination team. Once camps have begun, no refunds for withdrawals will be disbursed. Camp registrations are non transferable.

WAITLIST:

If the camps you are wanting to enroll in are fully booked, please communicate with the camp coordination team so that you may be placed on a waitlist, should any cancellations occur. Should Camp Pius XI contact you regarding an availability in a camp you are on the waitlist for, you have 2 business days to accept the camp placement and officially register before the spot will be released to another camper.

ATTENDANCE:

Daily attendance is encouraged, as camps are focused on building on new skills every day.

Campers should be dropped off 15 minutes before their camp's start time and picked up no later than 15 minutes after their camp's end time.

To ensure the safety and supervision of all campers, students must be in a registered camp session to remain on Pius XI campus.

Questions? Contact our camp coordinators at info@piusxi.org!