



Pius XI Catholic High School

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School Profile: 2018-19

OUR MISSION

Pius XI Catholic High School welcomes a diverse community of students into our care. Inspired by our Catholic values, we prepare our students for higher education and lead them toward lives Guided by Faith, Driven by Compassion, Formed by Scholarship and Prepared to Engage the World.

SCHOOL COMMUNITY

Pius XI Catholic High School is a coeducational, college preparatory school founded by the School Sisters of St. Francis and the Pallottine Fathers. Pius XI draws students from over 100 different feeder schools in Southeastern Wisconsin. Pius XI also maintains a global collaboration with over 35 students from China through the Wisconsin International Academy. In 2018-19, the enrollment is 758 and reflects a rich ethnic and social diversity.

Ethnic Diversity

Caucasian	34%
African American	25%
Hispanic	19%
Asian	12%
Multiracial	10%
Native American	1%

ACADEMICS

- AdvancED Accreditation
- Centers of Excellence
 - Project Lead the Way
 - Nationally Recognized Visual Arts and Performing Arts Programs
- 100% graduation rate

ADVANCED PLACEMENT COURSES

Art: AP Studio Art Portfolio Preparation, AP Studio Art – 11, AP Studio Art – 12

English: AP English Literature and Composition

Mathematics: AP Calculus, AP Statistics

Performing Arts: AP Music Theory

Science: AP Biology, AP Physics I, AP Environmental Science

Social Science: AP Macroeconomics, AP Psychology, AP U.S. History, AP European History

World Languages: AP Spanish Language

DUAL ENROLLMENT with Cardinal Stritch Univ.

AP Psychology, AP Macroeconomics, Honors Theology, Justice and Liberation

COURSES OFFERED (129)

- 14 English
- 11 Theology
- 13 Mathematics
- 14 Social Sciences
- 18 Science and Engineering
- 24 Performing Arts
 - 5 Choral Music
 - 6 Instrumental Music
 - 5 Dance
 - 8 Theatre
- 10 World Language
- 16 Visual Arts
- 9 Fitness & Wellness

GRADING SCALE

Regular, Accelerated & Honors Classes: A+ = 4.3;
AP Classes: A+ = 5.3

FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE

Some form of Financial Assistance is received by 85% of the students.

CALENDAR

There are 180 school days in the academic year. The school has a distinctive modular schedule that allows great freedom and personal management of one's school experience.

FACULTY

Of the 64 teaching faculty, over half hold an advanced degree. The average class size is 19.

TEST DATA/STATISTICS

- 68% of students scored 3 or higher on AP exams
- 217 students took at least one AP course in 2017-18
- Composite ACT score for the top quartile was 27.9
- Over \$14 million in college scholarship offers
- 37 U.S. Presidential Award for Educational Excellence
- 10 National Gold Key Portfolio Awards in the Arts

GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS

Pius XI Catholic High School students must pass a minimum of 25 credits. These credits include:

- 4 credits English
- 4 credits Theology
- 3 credits Science
- 3 credits Math
- 3 credits Social Science
- 2 credits World Language
- 1.5 credits Fitness and Wellness
- 1 credit Fine/Performing Arts
- 0.5 credit Health
- 3 credits Electives

SIGNATURE PROGRAMS:

TAC [Teacher Advisor Contact]

A distinctive component to the school, TACs are small communities of 15-20 students from all grade levels: freshman through seniors. The students interact much like a family, with the guidance and support of a trained faculty member who serves as the TAC teacher. Students belong to the same TAC for the entirety of their high school career. TAC meets every morning before classes begin and again briefly at the end of each day.

PERFORMING ARTS

A full four year, scoped and sequenced curricular program is offered in Dance, Drama, Vocal and Instrumental Music; 70% of students are enrolled in a Performing Arts class. Performance opportunities include concert, musicals, plays, dance showcases, liturgical services, and community performances. The students have received superior ratings in festivals and competitions in the State and Midwest, as well as significant student participation in the Wisconsin School Music Association's State Honors and Ensembles.

PROJECT LEAD THE WAY

Distinctive Engineering and Biomedical programs

- The Class of 2018 earned 159 college credits.
- Nine members of the Class of 2018 were offered \$770,000 in college scholarships.
- Rube Goldberg Engineering Competition National winner.

VISUAL ARTS

Students have consistently won state and national awards and honors for their excellence across various media. Five National Presidential Scholars in Arts (chosen by the White House Commission on Presidential Scholars). Twenty-four National Young Arts Finalists, two who became Presidential Scholars in the past five years. Ten National Scholastic Art and Writing Gold Portfolio Awards and hundreds of regional gold and silver individual awards.

ATHLETICS

A tradition of athletic excellence exists. State level records and championships; over 20 multi-level sports offerings for males and females.

CLUBS

Over 30 student-led clubs are offered.

FORENSICS

Conference Champions the last three years; Nationals qualifiers the last two years.

SAMPLE OF POST-SECONDARY SCHOOLS PIUS XI CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATES HAVE ATTENDED:

Milwaukee School of Engineering
University of Southern California
University of WI – Milwaukee
Rhode Island School of Design
University of WI – Madison
Michigan State University
Parsons School of Design
The Ohio State University
University of Notre Dame
Johns Hopkins University
Northwestern University
Chicago Institute of Art
University of Minnesota
Georgetown University
St. Norbert University
University of Chicago
West Point Academy
University of Florida
Marquette University
Lawrence University
Princeton University
Howard University
Harvard University
DePaul University
Cornell University
Brown University
Boston University
Xavier University
Tufts University
Boston College
Naval Academy
Stanford
NYU
MIT

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