



WELCOME TO PMA

Recognize Your Significance
Seize Your Opportunity

Parents Prayer

Loving God,
You are the giver of all we possess,
the source of all of our blessings.
We thank and praise you.
Thank you for the gift of our children.

Help us to set boundaries for them,
and yet encourage them to explore.
Give us the strength and courage to treat
each day as a fresh start.

May our children come to know you, the
one true God,
and Jesus Christ, whom you have sent.

May your Holy Spirit help them to grow
in faith, hope, and love,
so they may know peace, truth, and
goodness.

May their ears hear your voice.

May their eyes see your presence in all
things.

May their lips proclaim your word.

May their hearts be your dwelling place.

May their hands do works of charity.

May their feet walk in the way of Jesus
Christ,

your Son and our Lord.

Amen.



Parents as Partners

Dr. De Larkin
& Mrs. Zozaya

Parents as Partners

Session topics:

- Parents As Partners: New Theme, Facilities Updates, Fundraising, Service Hours, Communications
- Campus Health, Safety, Security, & COVID
- Academics/College & Career Counseling
- Campus Ministry, Student Life, & Athletics
- General Information: FAQs
- [Parent/Student Handbook](#)
- [PMA Website](#)

What We Believe

- Education should prepare students to be good stewards of God's gifts
- All students can learn
- Education is the process of finding one's vocation, where one's talents/passions meet the world's needs
- College education is a right rather than a privilege

What We Do

The mission of St. Pius X - St. Matthias Academy is to provide a challenging Catholic college preparatory education in a supportive learning community that will positively affect the lives of teenagers, and provide opportunities for all students to grow in faith, learn without limits, and live with a purpose.



stay in the
city until you
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At a Glance

- Advancement Office
- Finance Office
- Admissions & Enrollment
- COVID-19
- Capital Project
- School Initiatives

Parent Partners

- **Recognize your role as first and primary educator**
- You are the best example to your teen
- **Your faith life matters - live and practice your faith together!**
- Be present
- **Get involved (Parent Association, Boosters, Committees)**
- **Your teen needs you, the school needs you, we need each other!**

Parent Service Hours

- Service hour requirements are explained in the handbook
- Check PMA website/weekly update or speak with front office for service hour opportunities
- Sign in with appropriate personnel for verification sheet and keep yellow copy as proof of completed hours
- Service hours are given for attending Parent Meetings - not including mandatory meetings
- Each family is responsible for 20 Parent Service Hours per semester. \$20 for each hour not served is due by December 15th and April 30th. (Service hours can be bought out at half price if paid in full by Dec.15th)
- Purchases, as requested by PMA, can be exchange for service hours as explained on page 42 of handbook

Communication

- Weekly Communications
- School Website www.piusmatthias.org
- Social Media (Facebook, Instagram, Twitter)
- Email directly to students
- Hard copies sent home with students



Operations and Character & Discipline

Mr. Delgado
Assistant Principal of Operations
Dean of Character & Discipline

PMA Values

For Reopening Schools Safely

These core values have guided the work PMA administration, faculty/staff, and coaches to ensure a smooth and safe 2021-22 school year for each student:

- **Follow California Department of Public Health Orders**
- **Maintain an inclusive and caring supportive school culture**
- **Establish systematic protocols for health and safety**
- **Timely, frequent communication and transparency**

Return-to-School Safety Measures

Face Coverings

- PMA will **require the use of facial coverings** for all students, teachers, staff and visitors in accordance with LA County Department of Public Health guidelines currently in effect.
- Face masks or face coverings will be mandatory when on campus indoors and are strongly encouraged outdoors.
- Visual reminders regarding the proper use of face masks are posted around campus

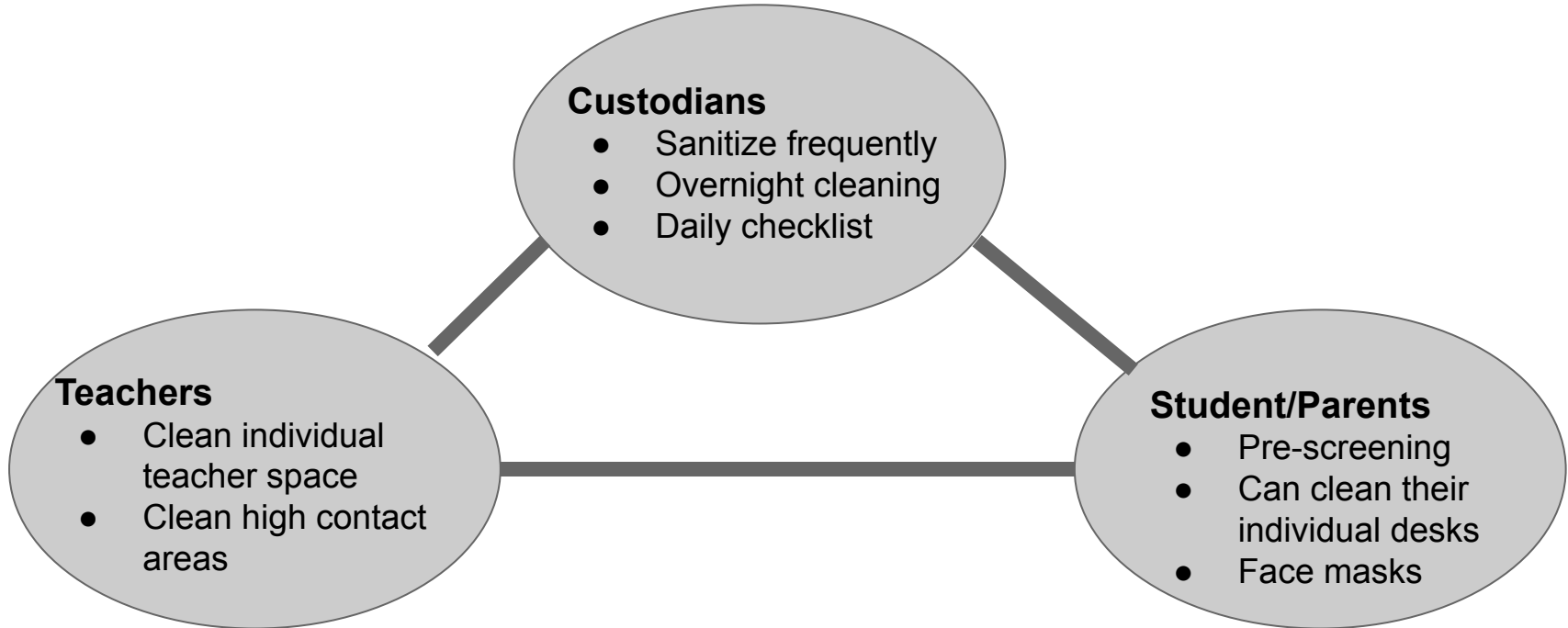
Return-to-School Safety Measures

Hand Hygiene

- Staff and students will be encouraged to properly wash hands often and use hand sanitizer.
- Every classroom and common areas (office, library, etc...) will be provided with hand sanitizer that complies with CDC and Public Health guidelines.
- Visual reminders are in place around the campus.

Return-to-School Safety Measures

Shared Responsibility



Return-to-School Safety Measures

Ventilation and Air Quality Filtration

- Constant evaluation and preventative maintenance on HVAC units
- Classrooms and offices equipped with HEPA Filters
- Ability to utilize fresh air when needed

Covid-19 Protocols

Student Check in Procedures:

- **Pre-screening questions** of symptoms should be done at home before coming to campus.
 - Fever over 100.4
 - Chills, Cough, or difficulty breathing
 - Shortness of breath
 - Persistent headaches
 - Sore throat
 - Recent loss of taste or smell
 - Been exposed to someone who has tested positive for Covid-19

Covid-19 Protocols

Testing Protocols

- **Testing Tuesdays** starting on August 17th
 - Students can tests as early as 7:30am every Tuesday
- Students can opt out of testing by submitting the **original vaccine card** to the main office. The main office will make copies of the vaccine card and students can by the end of the day.

Attendance (Absence Procedures)

- Parents/Guardians must call the attendance office between 7:30 am and 8:30 am **each day** the student is absent.
- **Upon returning to school** after an absence, the student must bring a note from parent or a doctor's note to the Attendance office.

Attendance (Absence Note Content)

- Student's name and grade
- Date(s) of absence
- The explicit reason for absence
- The signature of the parent/guardian and the phone number(s) at which parent/guardian may be contacted during the school day.
- Upon receiving the note, the attendance office will then excuse the absence, otherwise it will remain unexcused.

Types of Absences (Excused vs. Unexcused)

Excused Absences

- Illness*
- Medical/Dental appointments*
- Funerals
- Quarantine
- Court appearances*
- Approved school activities (ie. retreats, sporting events, school sponsored field trips)

*Must provide official doctor/court documentation

Unexcused Absences

- No doctor's/court note upon return to school
- Vacation
- Outside organization sports teams

Student Checkout Process (Main Office)

Step 1 Notify Main Office

- Parent note submitted before 7:50am
 - Student released when indicated on note
- Parent phone call to main office
 - Student will be called down upon parent arrival

Step 2: Sign Out Student

- PMA will release student to Parent/Guardian or any of the 3 emergency contacts
- All parents/guardians and emergency contacts MUST provide a photo ID to check out students

Dress Code

PMA Dress Code: Standard Uniform

Girls

- Polo with PMA logo
- Uniform skirt, pants, or shorts (black or grey)
- Shoes (School Colors: Black, White, Grey or Crimson Red)

Boys

- Polo with PMA logo
- Uniform pants or shorts (black or grey)
- Shoes (School Colors: Black, White, Grey or Crimson Red)

Dress Code

PMA Dress Code: Formal Uniform

Girls

- Black Skirt, Oxford Shirt, Vest, Pullover or Cardigan Sweater, School Tie, White Socks (long), Dress Shoes

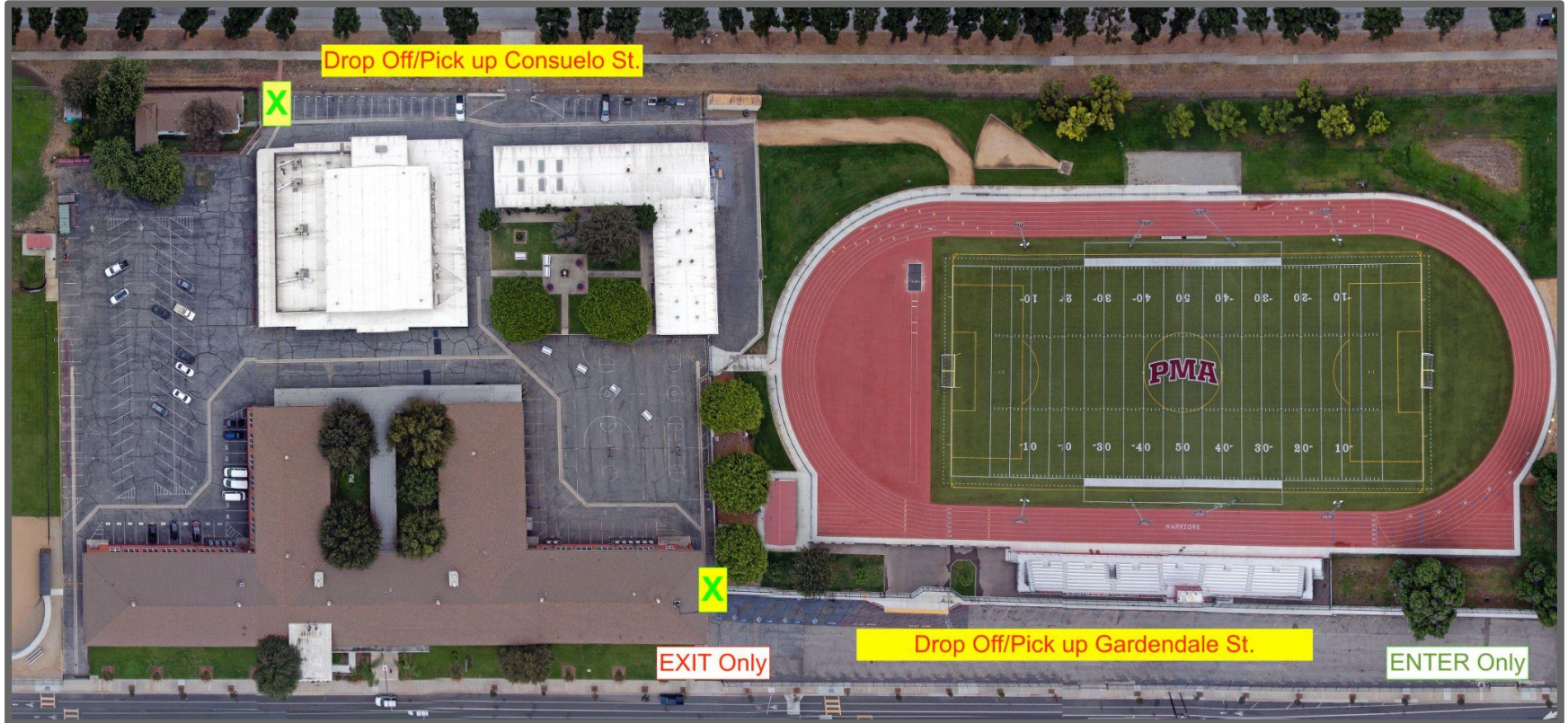
Boys

- Black Pants (Slacks), White Oxford Shirt, Tie, Vest or Pullover Sweater, Black socks, Black dress shoes.

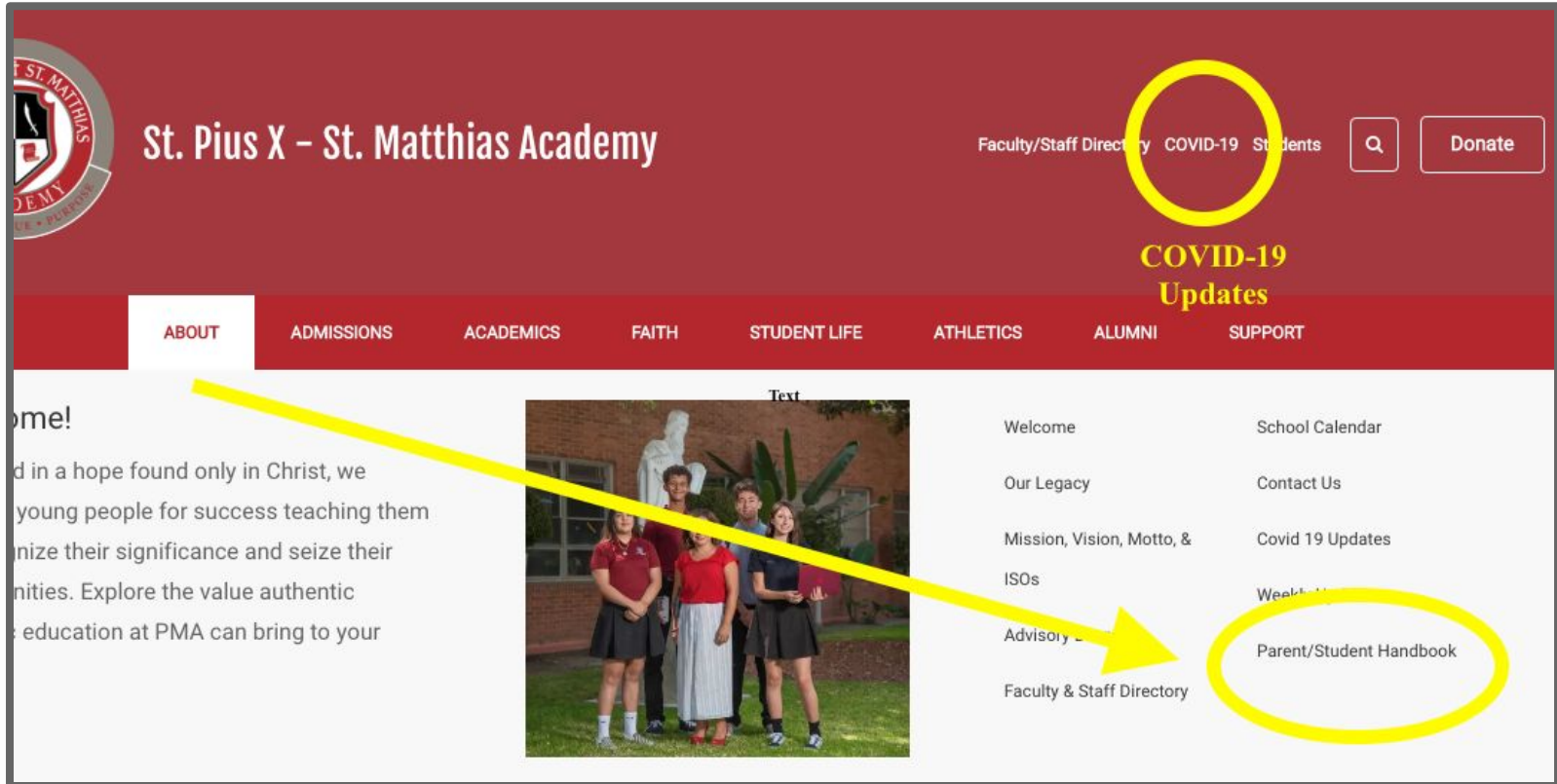
PMA Dress Code: JSS

- Jeans (No torn or ripped jeans)
- Shirts (PMA)
- Shoes

Student Drop off & Pick Up Areas



Student/Parent Handbook



The screenshot shows the homepage of St. Pius X - St. Matthias Academy. The header is maroon with the school's crest on the left and navigation links on the right. A yellow circle highlights the 'COVID-19' link in the top right. Below the header is a horizontal menu with white text on a maroon background. A yellow arrow points from the 'ABOUT' link to the 'Parent/Student Handbook' link in the right-hand column of the main content area. Another yellow circle highlights the 'Parent/Student Handbook' link. The main content area includes a welcome message, a group photo of students and staff, and a list of links.

St. Pius X - St. Matthias Academy

Faculty/Staff Directory COVID-19 Students


COVID-19 Updates

[ABOUT](#) [ADMISSIONS](#) [ACADEMICS](#) [FAITH](#) [STUDENT LIFE](#) [ATHLETICS](#) [ALUMNI](#) [SUPPORT](#)

Welcome!

...d in a hope found only in Christ, we
...young people for success teaching them
...nize their significance and seize their
...nities. Explore the value authentic
...education at PMA can bring to your

Text



- Welcome
- Our Legacy
- Mission, Vision, Motto, & ISOs
- Advisory
- Faculty & Staff Directory
- School Calendar
- Contact Us
- Covid 19 Updates
- Weekend
- Parent/Student Handbook**



Academics & Student Support

Ms. Washington
Assistant Principal of
Academics

Reminders: Schedule (21-22)

Class Schedules Finalized - August 1, 2021

- Students received a notification on their College and Career Google Classroom indicating that schedules have been finalized and are available to access through Powerschool.
- Schedule changes will take place from **August 2nd - 13th, 2021**. To request a schedule change students must complete the Schedule Change Request Form (posted on their College & Career Google Classroom)
- Approval of schedule change request is dependent upon section capacities and course availability.

Reminders: Bookstore

[PMA Website: Student Portal](#). The information for how to access the PMA online bookstore can be found through the website link provided.

- **Students are expected to purchase their materials from the PMA online bookstore to ensure they have the correct materials.** Shopping on amazon and other external sources can result in buying resources that do not have the proper supplemental components such as activation codes.
- All materials listed under a given course are required, unless the term recommended is stated.
- The timeline for receipt of materials is based on the delivery option that you select.
- All materials are sent to the location you designate when completing the transaction (such as your home).
- Students should have their textbooks in possession by August 16th (there will be a small grace period after this date to have their books).

Reminders: Summer Assignments

Summer Assignments.

- Please remember that all students have a summer assignment for their English course and summer assignments for AP/Honors courses (if enrolled).
- Summer Assignments are due on the first day of class.
- Summer Assignment information is available on our website under the academics tab.

Academics:

PMA Curriculum



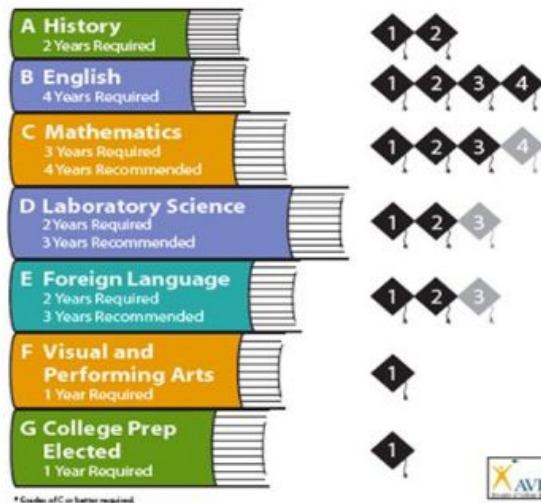
Academics & Counseling Team

- **Assistant Principal of Academics:** Ms. Washington
- **Dean of Student Success & 11th Grade Counselor:** Ms. Valenzuela
- **9th Grade Counselor:** Ms. Zozaya
- **10th & 12th Grade Counselor:** Ms. Banuelos
- **Onward Scholars Program (OSP) Director:** Ms. Turcios

College Competitive!

Subject Area	Required Credits
English	40
Theology	40
Mathematics	40
History/Social Science	30
Laboratory Science	20
World Language	20
Visual & Performing Arts	10
Physical Education/Health	10
Electives	30
Total:	240

A-G Requirements*
California State University ♦ University of California



Dual Enrollment Opportunities



- New + growing partnership!
- Earn college credit while in High School
- Improve your GPA (extra point!)
- Fall 2021 - Intro to Law (CSU transferable)
- Spring 2021 - Intro to Sociology (CSU/UC transferable)

**You are responsible for purchasing your textbooks*

Academic Counseling Program

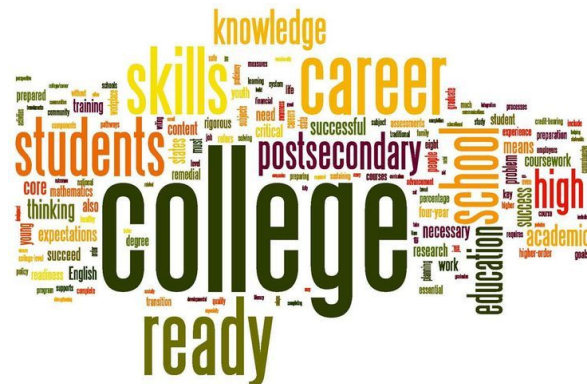


A word cloud featuring various terms related to academic counseling. The words are arranged in a circular pattern, with 'Counselor' being the largest and most central word. Other prominent words include 'Advocate', 'Confidential', 'Problem-Solve', 'Support', 'Empower', 'Resource', 'Positive', 'Relationships', 'Teachers', 'Students', 'Parents', 'Intervention', 'Believe', 'Compassion', 'Reinforcement', 'Encourage', 'Kind', 'Behavior', 'Group', 'Individual', 'Honesty', 'Smile', 'Plan', 'Academics', 'Collaboration', 'Caring', 'College', 'Tools', 'Classroom', 'Discuss', 'Helpful', 'Listen', 'Differences', 'Career', and 'Ask'.

Kind Behavior Intervention Students Parents
Group Individual Advocate Compassion Reinforcement
Encourage Honesty Smile Teachers Relationships
Counselor Confidential Plan Positive
Problem-Solve Resource Academics
Differences Support Career Collaboration
Listen Empower Caring College
Ask Helpful Discuss Classroom Tools

Academic Counseling Program

- Career & College Counseling
- College Planning Assemblies & Seminars
- Parent & Student College Nights
- College Trips, Visits, Fairs



Career & College Counseling

Meeting with Counselor to discuss:

- Academic Advising
- Academic Plans
- College Plans
- Career Plans



College Planning Assemblies & Seminars

College Planning *Assemblies*

What are they?

The purpose of these assemblies is to **gather and learn about the best practices to set up for success**

The goal of these assemblies is to provide students with **resources and support** to help you achieve as a student

4 per Year



College and Career *Seminars*

What are they?

The purpose of these seminars is the **time for students to have and explore your college & career options**

The goal of these Seminars is to **complete tasks on SCOIR, Khan Academy & College Applications**

2 per quarter



KHANACADEMY

SCOIR

Parent & Student College Nights



- Mandatory College Nights
- for Parents & Students

MARK YOUR
CALENDAR!

Seniors	September 2, 2021; January 27, 2022
Juniors	September 9, 2021; February 3, 2022
Sophomores	September 16, 2021; February 10, 2022
Freshman	September 23, 2021; February 17, 2022

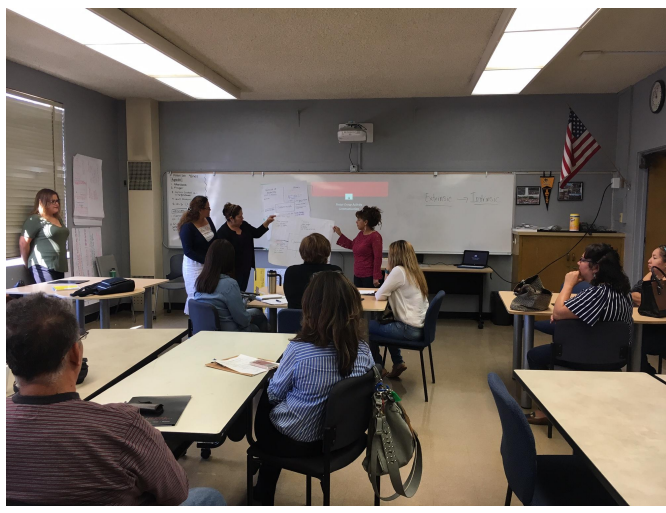
College & Career: Trips, Visits, Fairs, & Panels

- College Fair @ PMA: October 21, 2021
- Ongoing Virtual College Tours
- College Reps Visits (on Campus)
- Northern California Spring College Tour
- Virtual Career Day Panel Series



Parent University Program





Parent University Program

Four Saturdays (8:00AM - 12:00PM)
Must be able to attend all 4 Saturdays

Saturdays
September 18
September 25
October 2
October 9

Limited space (priority given to new participants) registration will open August 16 on the PMA website

Important Dates



Back to School Night (Via Zoom)



MARK YOUR CALENDARS

Join Us for Back to School Night!

Date: Thursday August 19, 2021

Time:



- Prayer, Welcome, & Instructions for the Night - 6:00 pm
- Visiting Classrooms - 6:30 pm

STAR Testing

MARK YOUR CALENDARS

STAR Tests for Grades 9 -11

ELA and Math Tests

- Window 1
 - August 25 and 26
- Window 2
 - January 19 and 26
- Window 3
 - April 27 & May 5

RENAISSANCE®



PSAT Testing

MARK YOUR CALENDARS

Grades 9 -11

- Pre Administration Date:
September 22, 2021
- PSAT Test Date: October
13, 2021

PSAT/NMSQT®



CollegeBoard



NATIONAL MERIT
SCHOLARSHIP CORPORATION

SAT School Day Testing

MARK YOUR CALENDARS

Grade 12

SAT Test Day at PMA

October 13, 2021



SAT Test Dates (Off Campus)

SAT Test Dates 2021-2022:

- August 28, 2021
- October 2, 2021
- November 6, 2021
- December 4, 2021*
- March 12, 2022
- May 7, 2022
- June 4, 2022

Register at collegeboard.org

*December 4th is the latest date that seniors can take the SAT



Parent Communication

Stay Informed!



Parent Communication

Communication

- **PowerSchool**
- Google Classroom
- Email
- **Back to School Night** (August 19)
- **Parent/Teacher Conferences**

Grade Reports

1. Mid-Quarter Progress Report
Delivery: Student
2. Quarter 1 Progress Report
Delivery: Mailed
3. Mid-Quarter Progress Report
Delivery: Student
4. **Semester 1 Report Card**
Delivery: Mailed



PowerSchool

Parent & Student Portal



Parent Power!

Check Grades

Monitor Attendance

Contact teachers

Sign up for Powerschool

Accessing Powerschool on Your Computer

- Powerschool Parent Login:
www.piusmatthias.powerschool.com/public
- Thru school website:
www.piusmatthias.org
 - Academics → Student Portal → Powerschool (Quicklink)



The screenshot shows the Powerschool login interface. At the top is a dark blue header with the Powerschool logo. Below it, the title "Student and Parent Sign In" is centered. There are two buttons: "Sign In" and "Create Account". The "Sign In" button is active. Below the buttons are two input fields: "Username" and "Password". The "Username" field has a cursor in it. Below the "Password" field is a link that says "Forgot Username or Password?". At the bottom right is a "Sign In" button. At the bottom of the page is a banner featuring the St. Pius X St. Matthias Academy logo on the left and the text "ST. PIUS X ST. MATTHIAS ACADEMY" on the right.

Accessing Powerschool on Your Smartphone

App Store

Search: Powerschool Mobile

Input your login information

District code: KHFT

You must first create an account prior to using the app



Google Classroom: Guardian Summaries

As a guardian, you can get email summaries about your student's activity in Classroom. Email summaries do not include grades. For grades check Powerschool.

In email summaries, you can review:

- **Missing work**—Work not turned in when the summary was sent.
- **Upcoming work**—Work that's due today and tomorrow (for daily emails) or that's due in the upcoming week (for weekly emails).
- **Class activities**—Announcements, assignments, and questions recently posted by teachers.

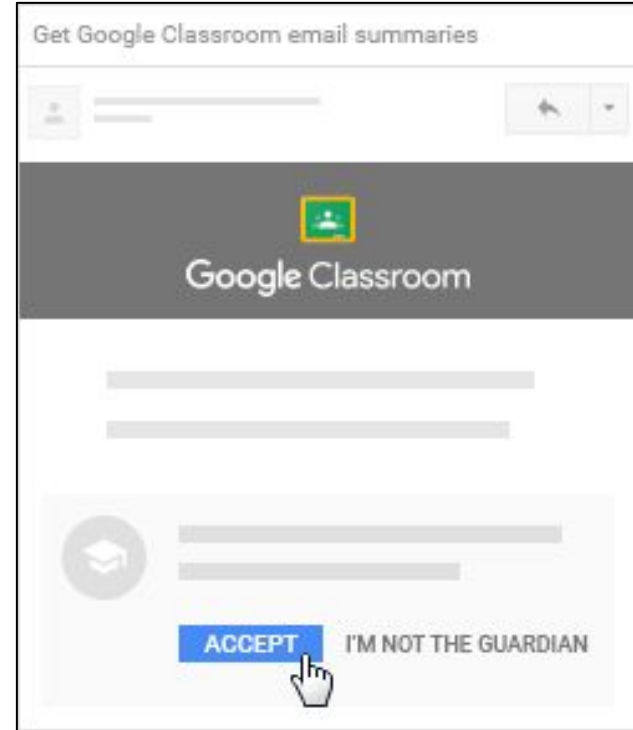


Google Classroom: Get Guardian Summaries

To get email summaries of your student's work, you must accept an email invitation from a teacher or administrator. You have 120 days to accept an invitation before it expires. You can unsubscribe from summaries or remove yourself as a guardian at any time.

1. The teacher or administrator emails you an invitation to join your student's class.
2. In your email program, open your email invitation.
3. Click **Accept**.
If you're not the guardian, click **I'm Not The Guardian**.
4. Click **Accept** to confirm.

When you accept an invitation, you and your student get an email confirmation.





Campus Ministry

Mr. Reyes

Director of Campus Ministry

Spiritual Nourishment - Liturgies

Mass

- Monthly as a school
- Some Tuesday mornings in Chapel
- Special Masses/Prayer Services/Athletics

Eucharistic Adoration

- Monthly as a school
- Sacrament of Reconciliation is offered

Spiritual Nourishment - Retreats

Each year students attend a class retreat:

Freshman - Friday, October 8

Sophomores - Friday, November 12

Juniors - March 17-18 (Thur-Fri, overnight)

Seniors - Kairos 12: August 24-27 (overnight)

Kairos 13: February 22-25 (overnight)

MINISTRY - Mass/Adoration

MUSIC MINISTRY (BAND+ CHOIR)

- Our student choir sings for our monthly Masses at PMA to aid their fellow students in worship. Band members rehearse and lead with instruments.
- Music Rehearsals will be scheduled (typically after school, 1/week)
- Contact Mr. Kim to find out how to officially join (bkim@piusmatthias.org)

ALTAR SERVING

- Students who are altar servers aid in serving for Mass and Adoration
- Training will be provided, all levels of experience are invited to sign up
- Contact Mrs. Lozano (klozano@piusmatthias.org)

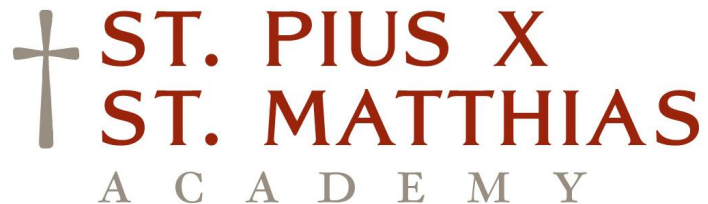
LECTORS (PROCLAIMING THE WORD OF GOD)

- Student led proclamation of scripture during our monthly Masses
- Contact - Mrs. Lozano (klozano@piusmatthias.org)

Campus Ministry

Leading our St. Pius X - St. Matthias Academy community closer to God through **relationships** that foster **prayer, virtue** and **service**.

- Applications are open to new students/freshman through August
- Applications for 2022-2023 will begin in **April/May**
- Contact the campus ministry office to learn more (greyes@piusmatthias.org)
- Follow us on instagram @pmacampusministry



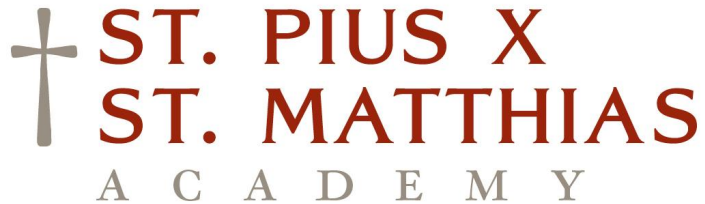
Student Life

Mr. Ramos
Dean of Student Life

We Make Memories!

Members of ASB ...= All Students!

- ASB Councils...
- Plan School Events
 - Rallies, Spirit Week, Dances, W.O.W. Week, and other special events
- Implement new ideas for the school
- Build Class Spirit
- Make friends and build memories!



ASB

We Make Memories!

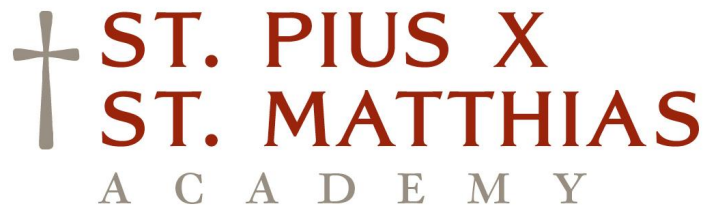
- *Encourage your student to BE INVOLVED!*
- WOW Week Activities Monday 8/16 – Friday 8/20
- Welcome Back Dance – Friday Sept. 3!
- Club Day – Thursday Sept. 16 at lunch
- Fall Sports Rally – Friday Sept. 17



ASB

We Make Memories!

- Homecoming/Spirit Week - Oct. 11 - 15
- Homecoming Dance - Saturday Oct. 16
- Halloween Movie Night - Friday Oct. 29
- Fall Movie Night - Friday Nov. 19
- Christmas Tree Lighting - Friday Dec. 3
- *Water Games!* - Friday April 1, 2022!!



Athletics

Mr. Santisteven
Athletic Director

Sports Teams by Season 2021-22

Fall Sports

- Girls' Volleyball
- Football
- Boys' & Girls' Cross Country
- Cheer

Winter Sports

- Boys' Basketball
- Girls' Basketball
- Boys' Soccer
- Girls' Soccer

Spring Sports

- Boys & Girls Track and Field
- Softball
- Baseball
- Boys' Volleyball

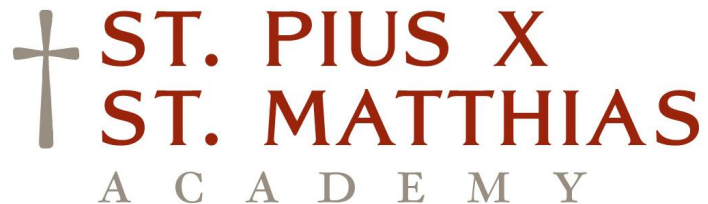
Athletic Basics

- Covid-19 Protocols
- [PMA Athletic Website](http://pmawarriorsathletics.com)
(pmawarriorsathletics.com)
- Athletic Fee Agreement
- Athletic Clearance/Physical Exams

- Practices
- Games
- Calendars

Athletic Teams **Booster Clubs**

- To support Warrior Athletics through:
 - Fundraising, Volunteering, Contributing, Organizing, & Promoting
- Meetings occur on 2nd Monday of the month - 7:00 PM
- Parents can get hours credit for working events and donating items.
 - Team Parent captains(2) can fulfill parent hours.



General Information

FAQs

General Information: FAQs

What are the start of school dates?

- **Mandatory New Student Orientation & College Experience (Class of 2025 & Transfer Students) - Wednesday, August 11, 2021.** Arrival/Check in begins at 7:30am. Students are expected to be in full PMA Uniform and will be on campus from 8:00am - 12:45pm. Students are expected to come prepared with their backpack, writing utensils, and laptop device (Mac or Chromebook).
- **Mandatory All Grades Orientation: Pride. Virtue. Purpose. - Thursday, August 12, 2021.** Arrival/check in begins at 8:00am. Students are expected to be in PMA Uniform and will be on campus from 8:00am - 12:45pm. Students are expected to come prepared with their backpack, writing utensils, and laptop device (Mac or Chromebook).
- **First Day of Classes (Minimum Day) - Friday August 13, 2021.** Students are expected to be in their PMA Uniform and will report to all six classes. Students are expected to come prepared with their backpack, writing utensils, and laptop device (Mac or Chromebook).

General Information: FAQs

Will students have lockers?

- Yes, lockers will be available. Students must purchase locks on Orientation Day (8/10 & 8/11) for \$5.00

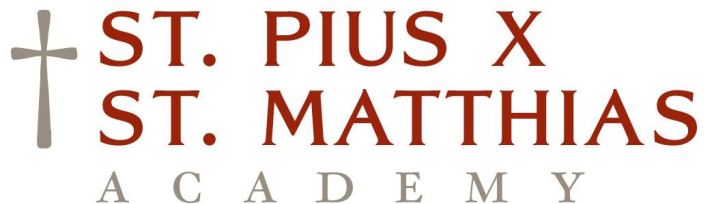
Will lunch be available on campus?

- Yes through Zarr Food Service [[Menu](#)]
- This will begin on the Monday August 16th

General Information: FAQs

What is the bell schedule?

- Parents/Guardians and students will receive the bell schedule information the week of August 9th via School Messenger and College and Career Google Classrooms



Forms to Turn In

Please make sure you turn in the following forms by August 13th

- Parent Student Handbook [Acknowledgement Form](#)
 - Title 1 Parent Survey
 - Downey Home Language Survey
 - CPLA Form (Optional)