

10th Grade Course Selection Considerations-PLEASE READ CAREFULLY!

The due date for your registration is **February 7th, 2020**. You must:

- Click on the link to update your demographic information using your Snap Code.
- Read the documents within the Consent and Signature page and complete it. Parents and student sign it and submit it electronically.
- Click on the link for PowerSchool using your Pius X username and password.
- Choose your courses in all one setting, submit them and print the Registration Verification Page using Control P.
- Complete and sign the Tuition Agreement Form and return.
- Bring the \$150 registration fee with all paperwork by the due date.
- Complete the ACH form if you/your parents want to use automatic checking withdrawal for tuition. This is optional. Complete the Grandparents Day form. This is optional.
- Speech (P70520) or Competitive Public Speaking (P70523) is a graduation requirement that is usually taken in the 10th grade, but it may be taken during other years of high school.
- Students usually take the other five credits of PE during sophomore year, but those credits may be taken in 10th, 11th, or 12th grade.
- Challenge yourself to difficult classes, but don't overwhelm yourself with a too rigorous schedule.
- Be mindful of your extra-curricular and out-of-school schedules. Do you need a study hall? Will you use it effectively? Register for study halls with the following course numbers if you desire them: Semester 1 – (P90010); Semester 2 (P90020). Remember, you will have an automatic 20 minute study hall during 5th period each day.
- If you choose to be a teacher assistant, you must still take seven courses each semester. You must complete the assistant form and turn it in with all other registration documents. It is in the Guidance Office.
- Graduation requirements are listed in the Pius X High School 2020-2021 Student/Parent Handbook. Please refer to these requirements as you plan your classes for this year and each year. It is on the Pius X webpage within the "Academics" tab at the top of the homepage.
- Many colleges require up to four years of English, Math, Social Studies, and Science even though we don't require that much credit for graduation in Math, Science and Social Studies.
- Colleges often require two-years of a single foreign language for admission and may credit students for college requirements if they have taken four years of that same language during high school.
- Developing a four-year plan for courses is advisable and will help ensure that you will be able to take all your desired courses.
- Advanced Placement (AP) classes are available beginning sophomore year in Art, English, Social Studies, Math and Science. Students must be academically prepared for these classes, have taken the required prerequisites and able to do college-level work. Advanced Placement classes are college-level classes taught by Pius faculty followed by a national test. Colleges determine their acceptance or rejection of AP credit.
- There are opportunities for students to take courses at Southeast Community College, the University of NE (UNL) or online through UNL Nebraska Now or SCC Dual-Credit Advantage for college credit. Students must have a meeting with their counselor to discuss these options and complete the necessary paperwork.
- If you fail a course at Pius that is needed for graduation, you must retake it. Speak to your counselor. A "C" is the highest retake grade that will be recorded on your permanent record.
- Be sure that you have filled all eight periods of the school day both semesters.
- If you have specific questions concerning your registration for next year, please contact your counselor at Pius X High School (402-488-0931):
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