

# Join the St. Pius X Catholic High School 2012 Youth Honor Band!

## **What is it?**

SPX Youth Honor Band is a special collective group of young band musicians who come together once a week to read music and perform from January to April. Students are welcome from all area feeder middle schools. The group is led by St Pius X Catholic High School band director Chad Paetznick.

## **Why should my child join?**

This is an excellent way for your student musician to be engaged extra hours in band and improve musicianship. Many middle school bands only meet once or twice a week. This gives those students an opportunity to get more hours and be further engaged in band performance. Members will also have a chance to meet new friends who are band students from different schools, and gain exposure to the St. Pius X Catholic High School community.

## **Who can join?**

Any 6<sup>th</sup> through 8<sup>th</sup> grader who has had two years or more of band instruction (including the present school year).

## **When and where is it held?**

Wednesday afternoons, January through Early April at the St. Pius X Catholic High School band room. Drop-off at 3:15 pm, Rehearsal from 3:30pm to 4:30pm.

You must be able to attend all or most rehearsals since it is only once a week.

## **How much does it cost?**

There is a \$25 music fee per student to join the group. This is to purchase new music for the group to read and perform. Checks should be made out to "St Pius X Band" and are due at the first rehearsal. There may also be a t-shirt fee for your student. Shirts will be ordered in February and cost will be determined at that time. If you are a St Pius parent currently, you will be billed through FACTS.

## **Will the group perform in concert?**

Yes, the group will perform at the St. Pius X Spring Band Concert on Thursday April 19th, 2012 at 7pm.

## **How do I join?**

1. Parents fill out this form and fax it to: **404-633-8387**  
or mail to: **SPX Youth Honor Band, c/o Chad Paetznick**  
**2674 Johnson Rd NE, Atlanta, GA 30345.**

2. Student and at least one parent **attend a short meeting on Tuesday December 6th, 2011 at 4pm** in the St. Pius X band room. Bring your \$25 music fee payable to St Pius X Band at this meeting or the first rehearsal. If you cannot attend, an official email stating your intentions to join is required by this date, followed by your completed registration form and payment by mail.

## **Is there an audition?**

There is no formal audition, but your band director or private instructor must sign the attached information form as a reference. If your child does not have a director or instructor, please indicate on the registration form. **Note: This is not a 'beginning band' group. Students must be proficient on their instrument to join, and be recommended by your band director, music teacher, or private lessons instructor.** If Mr. Paetznick is your band director, he will confirm your eligibility.

## **How do I get there?**

You are responsible for your own transportation from your school to St. Pius and home each week. Parents are encouraged to carpool if several students are attending from the same school or neighborhood. Parking may be difficult so drop students off at 3:15pm for the rehearsals and pick them up at 4:30pm.

More questions? Email Mr. Paetznick at cpaetz@spx.org.

## **St. Pius X Youth Honor Band 2012**

### **Tentative rehearsal and performance schedule**

*All rehearsals and concert take place at  
St. Pius X Catholic High School  
2674 Johnson Rd NE, Atlanta, GA 30345*

**\*Informative Meeting – Tuesday December 6<sup>th</sup>, 4pm at St. Pius X Catholic High School Band room.**

**Car Drop-off time – 3:15pm / Band Rehearsal time – 3:30pm – 4:30pm**

#### **January (Wednesdays):**

**1/4 – 3:30pm – 4:30pm**

**1/11 - “**

**1/18 - “**

**1/25 - “**

#### **February (Wednesdays):**

**2/1 - 3:30pm – 4:30pm**

**2/8 - “**

**2/15 - “**

**2/22 - “**

**2/29 – “**

#### **March (Wednesdays):**

**3/7 – 3:30pm – 4:30pm**

**3/14 – “**

**3/21 – “**

**3/28 – “**

#### **April:**

**4/11 - 3:30pm – 4:30pm**

**4/18 – \*Wednesday, 3:30pm – 5pm, Final Rehearsal for Concert!**

**4/19 – \*Thursday, Concert Performance at St. Pius X.**

**(Concert Attire TBA)**

**Students report at 6pm. Performance at 7pm. Reception following concert.**

Attendance at rehearsals and the concert is mandatory. However, if needed, members may be excused from 2 rehearsals as long as the director is notified by parents in advance. Excessive absences may result in dismissal from the group without refund.

**\*Absence from final Concert rehearsal or Concert event is not allowed.**

**Any questions?** Contact Mr. Paetznick at cpaetz@spx.org

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If mailing, be sure to include \$25 music fee payment (payable to SPX Band).

You may also bring this to the meeting or first rehearsal.

**St. Pius X Catholic High School**  
**2011-2012 Youth Honor Band Registration Form**

Student Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Grade: \_\_\_\_\_ Instrument: \_\_\_\_\_

Years of experience (include current yr): \_\_\_\_\_

School Currently Attending: \_\_\_\_\_

High School(s) you are planning to attend/apply for:

\_\_\_\_\_

Health Issues (if any): \_\_\_\_\_

Parent Names: \_\_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_\_

Parent Cell Numbers: \_\_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_\_

Parent Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

**\*Band Director / Private Lessons Instructor signature:**

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Please indicate if your child does not have a director or private instructor.