

Dear Parents:

The purpose of the St. Pius X Families in Action initiative is to affirm parents who provide a caring, supportive environment for student involvement, which is free from alcohol and drug use. Often parents feel they are functioning alone and unsure of any others who might also be doing the same. Through Families in Action, St. Pius X sends a strong message to everyone in the community that there is support for efforts that attempt to increase protective factors for our teens.

The St. Pius X school administration and our parents' Home and School Association make an extensive effort to inform all St. Pius X families of our continued progress with the Families in Action program. We do this by offering guidelines and suggestions to parents, and by incorporating drug and alcohol awareness in the students' curriculum year round. In addition, the St. Pius X student handbook contains explicit rules and regulations concerning drugs and alcohol and these regulations are rigorously enforced.

Almost all St. Pius X parents joined Families in Action last school year; our objective is to have 100% of our Pius families join and follow the Guidelines. **The Guidelines will work only if we read them, follow them, and support them.** Please discuss the Guidelines listed below with your family and then sign this form and return it to the school. Your family will have a check placed by their name in our student directory indicating you are supportive of our Families in Action program.

As parents we constantly face difficult issues with our teens. Knowing the St. Pius X community and all families are united in Families in Action gives us all strength and confidence to be the kind of parent God intends us all to be. Please join us in this very important effort.

Sincerely,



Steve Spellman  
Principal

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**St. Pius X Catholic High School  
Families In Action Guidelines 2011-2012**

1. **When a teen activity or party is planned in my home, there will be no drugs, including alcohol, served or brought in.**
2. **I will be home and visible throughout said activity or party.**
3. **If a teen brings alcohol or drugs into my home and/or arrives under the influence of same, I will ask the teen to remain in my home and immediately notify his or her parents requesting further instructions.**
4. **I will welcome calls from other parents who have concerns or questions when my teen hosts an activity or party at my home.**
5. **If my teen is going to an activity or party, I will not hesitate to phone the host's parents to confirm the nature of the party and/or to answer any further questions or concerns I might have about the activity or the party.**
6. **If I go out of town overnight and my teen will be home, I will provide supervision and/or notify my neighbors or other responsible adults to check my home as often as necessary and to be available to my teen for support as needed.**
7. **I will discuss these Guidelines with my student and family.**

\_\_\_\_\_ **I agree to have my name listed in the St. Pius Directory with other Families In Action parents.**

**Student's Name** \_\_\_\_\_

**Student Signature** \_\_\_\_\_

**Parent Signature** \_\_\_\_\_