



St. Francis Xavier Middle School
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Dear Xavier Families,

Welcome Back! We hope you have enjoyed the summer months and that you are relaxed, recharged, and ready to start a new school year. Thank you for choosing to be part of the amazing, faith-filled Xavier community. We embark on this journey with a pledge to you, our students and parents, that this will be a year of engaging academic and spiritual education. Our student's education will be expanded with special events and a plethora of extracurricular clubs, activities, performing arts groups, and athletic events which are certain to encourage our Xavier community to be involved and stay connected!

This school year will begin with some important and exciting changes. First, we have upgraded the security access at door #1 (main school entrance) by adding an electronic lock and an exterior camera. Door #1 will now be locked during normal school hours and visitors will be buzzed in by school personnel. Second, our 7th and 8th grade science classrooms have received a makeover this summer. These two classrooms now have modern science classroom furniture and other accessories. Third, the cafeteria has also received a makeover with freshly painted walls and some new accessories as well. In the cafeteria, the students will have an opportunity to witness a mural come to life during the first few months of the school year. Lastly, we will begin the school year with new teachers, new students and families, and new goals. This year will truly be an exciting year for all involved.

Our staff of highly qualified professional educators and support personnel are committed to providing the students with many opportunities both in and out of the classroom. We invite and encourage students and their families to work in partnership with us to seize the many opportunities that will bring our Xavier community together. We want, need, and value your involvement and support in your child(ren)'s education! Your active participation is key to their success throughout the school year.

Accompanying this letter is important information regarding the first few weeks of the new school year. As always, if you have any questions, comments, or concerns, please feel free to contact us at any time.

Again, we welcome you to Xavier Middle School and to our wonderful community . . . a Christ-centered community dedicated to the faith formation, academic excellence, community engagement, and individual growth of our students in a safe environment. Here's to an AWESOME new school year as we work together to make our school a great place to worship and grow each day!

Sincerely,

Robert Bires
Principal

Sara Meyer
Associate Principal

Ginny Cerdan
Administrative Assistant



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Important Info

August Middle School Office Hours

- Aug 13th thru Aug 17th, Monday thru Friday, 8 am – 12 pm
- Aug 20th thru Aug 28th, Monday thru Friday, 8 am – 4 pm

New Student Orientation Grades 6 – 8

- Monday, Aug 27th from 10 am – 12 pm
- Students will be able to learn about the school, meet the staff, and become familiar with school procedures
- Lunch will be provided
- Students should be dropped off by the middle school office, please use door #1

5th Grade Orientation

- Tuesday, Aug 28th from 8 am – 12 pm
- A planned WEB (Where Everyone Belongs) program will help make the transition from elementary to middle school a positive one
- Students will meet in the cafeteria first, then transition to the gymnasium
- Parents are also invited to stay for a friendly social between 8 am – 9 am in the cafeteria to network with other parents

Locker Night

- Tuesday, Aug 28th, 5 pm – 7 pm
- Students will meet their advisor, receive a locker assignment and have an opportunity to meet the staff
- Students can drop off school supplies, take a lap around school and prepare for the first day of school
- This night is considered an open house as students and parents can come and go as they desire

Family Packets

- A family packet with forms and information will be available for pick-up in the office
- The packet will be available starting on Monday, August 20th through locker night
- The packet contains information that will need to be completed and returned on the first day of school



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Class Schedules

- Individual student schedules with classes are now available using PowerSchool
- New families to St. Francis Xavier Catholic School System should contact Mrs. Cerdan to receive your PowerSchool information

Aftercare

- Aftercare will be offered throughout the school year from 3:30 pm – 6:00 pm on regular school days
- Special aftercare sessions will be offered on early dismissal days; more info to follow
- Families wishing to utilize aftercare should contact Mrs. Theresa Gouin (920-735-9380) for more info

Daily Arrival

- Students may arrive to XMS after 7:15 am
- Students should report directly to the cafeteria and work on school related materials
- Students will be dismissed from the cafeteria at 7:50 am to their lockers to begin school at 8:00 am
- There is no additional charge or registration

School Photo Day

- Friday, Aug 31st
- Individual student photos will be taken in the morning
- Students are encouraged to dress up, but at minimum be in school uniform
- Please bring in payment along with the photo packet for additional school photos on this day

XMS Parent Night

- Wednesday, Sept 12th from 6:30 pm – 8:00 pm
- Parents will be able to meet staff and learn about academic, spiritual, and co-curricular programs offered at XMS
- Students do not need to attend as the night is geared towards the parents