

The Writing Center

The St. Xavier Writing Center provides help to St. X students on any sort of writing assignment from any academic discipline. Staffed by seniors from the AP Language and AP Literature classes, the Writing Center allows these talented upper-classmen to reflect on their own composition skills and at the same time tutor students seeking help on a composition. The advice the tutors provide may range from simply proofreading a draft of a paper to assisting with the formation of an effective thesis statement to making suggestions about the organization or development of the essay.

The English Department at St. Xavier emphasizes not only the final product – in this case, the finished essay – but also values the *process* of writing. In fact, many teachers urge or even require students to get input on early drafts from the Writing Center tutors.

The willingness of the seniors to take their turn working at the Writing Center clearly manifests their commitment to the motto of St. Xavier High School, to serve as “Men for Others.”