

**ST. XAVIER HIGH SCHOOL**  
**2021 SUMMER INTRODUCTORY COURSES FOR FRESHMEN**

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**Courses:**

**Summer Study Skills (This is a 2-week course and attendance is mandatory.)**

**Term 1 – June 1 to June 11**

Bell 1            8:00 – 10:00am            (This session starts on a Tuesday. Please register for Term 2 if your son is still in class for any of these dates.)

Bell 2            10:15 – 12:15pm            (This session starts on a Tuesday. Please register for Term 2 if your son is still in class for any of these dates.)

**Term 2 - June 14 to June 25**

Bell 1            8:00 – 10:00am            (This is a 10-day course and starts on a Monday.)

Bell 2            10:15 – 12:15pm            (This is a 10-day course and starts on a Monday.)

**Introduction to Math (4-week course)**

**Term 3 - June 1 to June 25**

Be sure your session does not conflict with your other courses.

**3 Sessions are offered:**

Bell 1            8:00 – 10:00am

Bell 2            10:15 – 12:15pm

Bell 3            1:00 – 3:00pm

**Introduction to English (4-week course)**

**Term 3 - June 1 to June 25**

Be sure your session does not conflict with your other courses.

**3 Sessions are offered:**

Bell 1            8:00 – 10:00am

Bell 2            10:15 – 12:15pm

Bell 3            1:00 – 3:00pm

**Registration:**

- Only incoming St. Xavier freshmen can take these courses
- We will send you registration information on the morning of March 8th
- A student may register for all 3 courses as long as the times do not conflict
- Some sections close out quickly, especially Study Skills
- Be sure to use your son's legal name when you register
- The school reserves the right to cancel a listed course

**Tuition:**            \$275 per student per course for Math, English, and Summer Study Skills  
You may combine Bravo Basics or Makerspace to use the discount. (More info below.)  
\$55 discount if you enroll in any two classes (enter Coupon Code: INTRO2)  
\$120 discount if you enroll in all three classes (enter Coupon Code: INTRO3)

**Information:** Attendance is mandatory; however, call Mrs. Jen Wyche at 513-761-7600 ext. 125 if needed.

*\*For inquiries about financial assistance, please contact Jason Ablers at [JAblers@stxavier.org](mailto:JAblers@stxavier.org).*

## Summer Introductory Courses for Freshmen - Descriptions & FAQ Answers

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**Intro to English (4-week course):** Improved written expression is the prime objective of the “Intro to HS English” course. Incoming freshmen enrolled in the four-week course will engage in the foundational theory and applied mechanics of “formal thesis-driven, argumentative, expository writing” which is the touchstone of the St. Xavier High School English program. Focusing on the building blocks - sentence structure and paragraph organization, students will learn and practice the various core competencies of the freshman year writing curriculum: descriptive essay, narrative essay, argumentative essay, literary analysis, MLA format, quote integration, punctuation, et al. Using the freshman summer reading assignment *Ender’s Game* as an anchor, the course will offer direct instruction on the basics of literary theory (plot, character, setting, theme, etc.) with special emphasis on close reading strategies for improved comprehension. You do not need to read *Ender’s Game* before class starts. Making use of many of the same tools and techniques students can expect to encounter in the school year, the course is both review and primer for the rigors of freshman English at St. Xavier.

**Intro to Math (4-week course):** A course designed to introduce students to some of the basic concepts of Algebra I (first degree equation solving, laws of exponents, slope, and intercept line.) Equivalent to about 1 ½ quarters of an Algebra 1 course.

**Study Skills (2-week course):** A skills oriented approach geared to improve students’ abilities to plan, organize, read, listen critically, summarize and self-test. Numerous other attitudinal and practical steps for self-help are taught, which will lead to mastery learning. Organizational skills, time management, active reading and active listening skills, note taking, and expository writing are tools to this mastery learning. Students often report this course as instrumental to success in their first year. The considerable amount of information in this course is delivered in ten days, so it is imperative that students attend every session. Be sure to choose a session that allows your son to attend all class meetings. **Study Skills fills up quickly, early registration is advised.**

FAQs:

- Arriving in a timely fashion is critical to your student’s success. Though traffic is lighter during June, please keep factors like traffic, trains, and stopping for breakfast in mind when leaving for St. X in the morning.
- These three courses are not part of the student’s permanent record.
- If your son wishes to take part in an athletic camp, family vacation, weight training or mission trip, he may do that and still take the Intro to English or Intro to Math courses. He is permitted to miss up to one week and still complete the course. Because Study Skills is organized around a 2-week session, **students may not miss classes.**
- If you have received a recommendation from either the English or Math Departments, please take their advice and enroll in that subject. If you have not received a notice from Math or English, but feel your son could benefit from either course, enroll him in that course.
- Recommendation letters from the English and Math departments will not be sent out until mid-May. You can still register at that time.
- Students will be required to wear masks and sit in assigned seats. St. Xavier will employ the same protections for students that were used throughout the 2020-2021 school year to provide as safe an environment as possible.
- All classes will be in person with no remote option.

## ST. XAVIER HIGH SCHOOL 2021 SUMMER CAMP COURSES

The following courses are offered as fun alternatives for your son or daughter to connect to his/her creative side this summer. Registration for these courses will open on March 8<sup>th</sup> at noon. We will email the registration link to incoming freshman families and post it on our website. Please contact Mr. Jason Ahlers at [JAhlers@StXavier.org](mailto:JAhlers@StXavier.org) if you have any questions.

### Courses:

**Makerspace Camp** - Discover inspiring ways to imagine, design, invent, tinker and make through hands on projects and collaborative creations. This two-week camp fosters creativity, builds confidence, and sparks interest in science, technology, engineering, math and the arts. We can all be makers, so let's start making with our 3D printers, CNC milling machine, vinyl printer/cutter, and more! This two-week course has four sessions – see dates and times below. The cost of the course is \$325 (This is \$275 + \$50 materials fee.)

Girls and Boys in grades 8, 9, 10, 11 and 12 may take this course. (high school boys must attend St. Xavier)

Contact Mr. David Pfeil at [DPfeil@StXavier.org](mailto:DPfeil@StXavier.org) if you have any questions

### Makerspace Camp (2-week course)

#### Term 1 – June 1 to June 11

Bell 1            9am – 12pm            (This session starts on a Tuesday.)

Bell 2            12:30 – 3:30pm        (This session starts on a Tuesday.)

#### Term 2 – June 14 to June 25

Bell 1            9am – 12pm            (This session starts on a Monday.)

Bell 2            12:30 – 3:30pm        (This session starts on a Monday.)

**Bravo Basics** - Have fun while learning skills that will allow you to be creative on demand! Improve your ability to act, speak publicly, think creatively, understand and interpret text, and succeed in future classes! Class covers improvisation, movement, acting scene work, and will culminate with a showcase of student performances.

Teachers are Mr. Nathan Gabriel and Ms. Elizabeth Harris, both of whom work as professional directors and teach acting at St. Xavier and at the college level. See dates and times below. The cost of this course is \$275

Girls and Boys in grades 7, 8, and 9 may take this course. (high school boys must attend St. Xavier)

Contact Ms. Harris at [EHarris@StXavier.org](mailto:EHarris@StXavier.org) if you have any questions.

### Bravo Basics (2-week course)

#### Term 1 – June 1 to June 11

Bell 1            9 – 11am                (This session starts on a Tuesday.)