



## *Xavier Middle School Co-Curricular Activities*

### **After Words**

A new co-curricular group call "After Words" involves students who like to enter writing contests. Listen to the announcements and watch the newsletter for more information. Contact Ms. Bouchard at [jbouchard@xaviercatholicschools.org](mailto:jbouchard@xaviercatholicschools.org) for more information.

### **Art Club**

Art Club is an after school opportunity for all XMS students to advance their artistic skills. Art Club will meet Monday evenings after school, 3:30- 4:30 for ten weeks starting in late January or Early February. Contact Mrs. Baruth at [abaruth@xaviercatholicschools.org](mailto:abaruth@xaviercatholicschools.org) for more information.

### **Athletics**

XMS has a vested interest in making every effort to provide a positive sports experience for our students and their families. We believe that participation in school-sponsored activities enhances the middle school experience for our students especially in forming friendships among classmates that may be impossible except in the athletic arena. Contact Mrs. Muñoz at [bmunoz@xaviercatholicschools.org](mailto:bmunoz@xaviercatholicschools.org) for more information.

#### **Fall Sports**

Cross Country  
Flag Football  
Tackle Football - 8<sup>th</sup>  
Volleyball - Girls

#### **Winter Sports**

Basketball - Boys and Girls  
Cheerleading  
SBA (Saturday Intramurals)  
Wrestling - Boys and Girls

#### **Spring Sports**

Softball - Girls  
Tennis  
Track & Field - Boys and Girls

### **Campus Ministry Club**

Campus Ministry provides opportunities for students in grades 5-8 to grow in their faith. Students are welcome to join any of our events at any time throughout the year. First meetings will be October. Contact Mrs. Benthein at [mbenthein@xaviercatholicschools.org](mailto:mbenthein@xaviercatholicschools.org) or Mrs. Krull at [akrull@xaviercatholicschools.org](mailto:akrull@xaviercatholicschools.org) for more information.

### **Chamber Music**

Chamber music is a form of classical music that is composed for a small group of instruments, with one performer to a part. If this is something that sounds like you would like, please join us. We meet weekly beginning mid - September and ending in May. We accept students in grades 7 or 8, or if you have had 3 plus years of experience. Contact Mrs. Kenney at [jkenney@xaviercatholicschools.org](mailto:jkenney@xaviercatholicschools.org) for more information.

### **Chess Club**

Students in Chess Club are part of The North Appleton Chess Club. This is a joint club between Einstein Middle School and Xavier Middle School. The students will have a chance to play/practice most Fridays through March, choose to attend several Saturday tournaments, and play safely on-line within our club. Contact the chess coach, Jason Schulist, at [schulistj@yahoo.com](mailto:schulistj@yahoo.com) for more information.

### **"Company Blue" Show Choir**

Company Blue is a co-curricular vocal ensemble open to Xavier students in grades 5-8. Rehearsals for Company Blue will be twice each week from 3:30-4:30 on Mondays and Wednesdays in the XMS choir room and has a fee of \$25. Contact Ms. Dodd at [bdodd@xaviercatholicschools.org](mailto:bdodd@xaviercatholicschools.org) for more information.

### **Forensics**

Forensics is a great co-curricular club open to any students in grades 5-8. Practice time is scheduled with Ms. Dodd before and/or after school, during study halls, or during flex time. Competitions are typically on Saturdays from late January through early March with the State Forensics Tournament in mid-March. Contact Ms. Dodd at [bdodd@xaviercatholicschools.org](mailto:bdodd@xaviercatholicschools.org) for more information.

### **Gamers Club**

The Game Club is an opportunity for students to socialize and have fun together based on their hobby of playing video games. Students will have an opportunity to play multi-player games against each other, play single player games, and spend time discussing

gaming strategies and preferences. Games will be approved on an individual basis. Contact Ms. Webb at [swebb@xaviercatholicschools.org](mailto:swebb@xaviercatholicschools.org) or Ms. Polzin at [mpolzin@xaviercatholicschools.org](mailto:mpolzin@xaviercatholicschools.org) for more information.

### **Handbell Choir**

The Handbell Choir is a co-curricular bell ensemble open to Xavier students in grades 5-8. Rehearsals will be once each week from 3:30-4:30 on Thursdays in the XMS choir room. Contact Ms. Dodd at [bdodd@xaviercatholicschools.org](mailto:bdodd@xaviercatholicschools.org) for more information.

### **Inside Out Café**

Inside Out Café is an opportunity to savor words, written or spoken. This weekly event is held to encourage students to write creatively in their free time. Inside Out Café meets from 3:35-4:35 once a week on Thursdays in September through May. Contact Ms. Bouchard at [jbouchard@xaviercatholicschools.org](mailto:jbouchard@xaviercatholicschools.org) for more information.

### **Jazz Band**

Jazz Band is an ensemble open to 6th and 7th graders and meets Tuesdays and Thursdays before school. Elements of study center on the variety of styles in American jazz music and performance of jazz through style-appropriate improvisation. Jazz Band rehearsals begin in February. Contact Mrs. Ninnemann at [mninnemann@xaviercatholicschools.org](mailto:mninnemann@xaviercatholicschools.org) for more information.

### **Math Club**

The Math Club is for any student in grades 5-8 who is interested in problem solving. Math Club is a great opportunity to bring out academic talents as well as enhance math skills. This club meets bi-weekly after school during the fall and winter months beginning in November and running through March. Contact Mrs. Gear at [bgear@xaviercatholicschools.org](mailto:bgear@xaviercatholicschools.org) or Mrs. Kiepert at [jkiepert@xaviercatholicschools.org](mailto:jkiepert@xaviercatholicschools.org) for more information.

### **Ski Club**

Ski Club, which is run by parent volunteers, is open to all students who enjoy skiing or snowboarding. Club members travel by bus on non-school days to various ski hills in Wisconsin and Upper Michigan. Sign up begins in late November or early December. Contact Xavier Middle School at [vcerdan@xaviercatholicschools.org](mailto:vcerdan@xaviercatholicschools.org) for more information.

### **Spelling Club**

Spelling Club meets weekly after school beginning in January. We strive to prepare for the Middle School Bee to be held during Catholic Schools Week and the Regional Bee, which is held in early February. Contact Ms. Bouchard at [jbouchard@xaviercatholicschools.org](mailto:jbouchard@xaviercatholicschools.org) for more information.

### **Student Council**

The purpose of XMS Student Council is to lead our student population in developing their leadership and teamwork skills; provide global outreach; and increase their understanding and awareness of school community through projects and activities. Student Council is open to all students in grades 5-8. Meetings are held after school for 45 minutes on Wednesday's. Members join in September and meet through May. Please contact Mrs. Kreider at [ekreider@xaviercatholicschools.org](mailto:ekreider@xaviercatholicschools.org) or Miss Schroeder at [sschroeder@xaviercatholicschools.org](mailto:sschroeder@xaviercatholicschools.org) for more information.

### **VEX Robotics**

In the VEX Robotics Competition, teams of students are tasked with designing and building a robot to play against other teams from around the world in a game-based engineering challenge. This group is open to all students in grades 5-8, with meetings held after school beginning in October. Tournaments are held year-round at the regional, state, and national levels. Contact Mrs. Kroner at [skroner@xaviercatholicschools.org](mailto:skroner@xaviercatholicschools.org) or Mr. McKinnon at [bmckinnon@xaviercatholicschools.org](mailto:bmckinnon@xaviercatholicschools.org) for more information.

### **W.E.B**

W.E.B., (Where Everybody Belongs), is a program that guides 5th graders to academic and social success by reducing the initial challenges of entering middle school. W.E.B. creates an environment where 5th graders feel cared for, supported and connected. W.E.B crew is open to 8th graders who apply in the spring of 7th grade to be leaders for the next school year. Please contact Mrs. Gear at [bgear@xaviercatholicschools.org](mailto:bgear@xaviercatholicschools.org), Mrs. Case at [ccase@xaviercatholicschools.org](mailto:ccase@xaviercatholicschools.org) or Miss Hensley at [bhensley@xaviercatholicschools.org](mailto:bhensley@xaviercatholicschools.org) for more information.

### **Yearbook Club**

Yearbook Club is open to students in grades 5-8. The club will run from October through April with meetings twice a month after school. Students in this club will help create the yearbook for our school. Contact Mr. Jerger at [mjerger@xaviercatholicschools.org](mailto:mjerger@xaviercatholicschools.org) for more information.