MALDEN CATHOLIC

Leading Beyond

XBSS STUDENT LEADERSHIP RETREAT INFORMATION 2026-2027

OVERVIEW: Our Xaverian Brothers Sponsored Schools Office annually invites each sponsored school to name six Grade 11 student-representatives for a Leadership Retreat. The gathering, during a school week in March, intends to inspire a year-long Team commitment to service and mission-driven action at one's school in the spirit of the Xaverian Brothers.

XAVERIAN BROTHERS SPONSORED SCHOOLS LEADERSHIP RETREAT

- All juniors at Malden Catholic may apply to this prestigious program, bringing together student leaders from the 13 Xaverian Brothers Sponsored Schools for 5 days in March in CT. **Sunday, March 7 through Thursday, March 11.**

- The Principal in consultation with fellow administrators, Campus Ministers, Faculty, and current XBSS student leaders will select 3 Boys and 3 Girls to represent Malden Catholic. Two alternates may be selected. All other finalists will be invited to support Campus Ministry as members of the Ryken Leadership Council.

- The Mission of those selected to the XBSS Leadership Team is: *"To serve, guide, and enhance the faith community of Malden Catholic in the spirit of the Xaverian Brothers."* ***Selection is a great honor and a great responsibility.*** The School expects Leaders to execute this Mission from the time of the XBSS Retreat through graduation.

QUALIFICATIONS OF THOSE WHO INTEND TO APPLY

- Applicants must meet MC academic eligibility requirements and show excellence with respect to academics and discipline.
- Applicants must have an apparent and ongoing desire to improve the MC community, demonstrated particularly through an active service profile.
- Applicants must be committed to taking a central role in the work of Campus Ministry and have a capacity to inspire and engage peers confidently.
- Applicants must be willing to deepen their spiritual life and to lead others to do the same.

COMMITMENTS YOU WILL BE MAKING IF SELECTED AS AN XBSS LEADER

- You will meet with Br. Puccio during spring 2027 and prior to the start of the 2027-28 school year to plan for the year.

- You will work with Campus Ministers to organize and run our traditional charitable drives through the year, to support student retreats, to support School liturgical life, including participation in at least occasional Rosary and occasional weekly Mass.
- You will be the action arm of Campus Ministry, to help plan, coordinate, and delegate its activities.
- You will help plan, organize, and participate in this partial list of events:
  - ALS Walk, Respect-for-Life Week, and Founders' Week
  - Liturgies and prayer services
  - Pizza and Prayer
- You commit to work as a Team and to **make XBSS involvement a priority** among your other extracurricular commitments (namely, sports, clubs, and other activities).
- You will model student leadership to the rest of the school through your actions, both in and out of school, bringing to life the Xaverian vision of "Falling in Love with the service of the Lord."
- Upon return from the XBSS Leadership Retreat, you will collaborate with the 2026-2027 XBSS seniors to transition XBSS responsibilities

TIMELINE

- Applications available: November 16
- **Applications due: no later than 3:00pm Wednesday, December 16**
- Finalists Notified: Wednesday, January 6
- Interviews Scheduled with Selection Committee: January 11, 12, 13
- Leadership Retreat Participants Announced: Thursday, January 14
- Retreat: Sunday, March 7 – Thursday, March 11, 2027

(Winter sport athletes, please note that **the retreat falls during what may be tournament time**. If you apply, you should be ready to commit to the Retreat if selected.)