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Welcome to St. Xavier Catholic Schools' Newsletter published by the High School Mass Communication Class. The Newsletter will be published several times a year with our purpose to inform you concerning personnel, students, and events at St. Xavier Catholic School.

Volleyball Off To a Great Start

Volleyball has started! You know what that means Ramily! Players are out on the court giving it their all to not just win but to really have fun. The team already had a win on September 3, 2020, here at St. X against Smoky Valley! One win down, many good times to go!



The middle school volleyball manager Heston J. said that, "the players have really come out of their shell. The team loves to look up to Cassidy J. who has, along with Coach Baseley, led the team well. She's a "natural born athlete," and has definitely not only improved at

volleyball but as a person as well. The athletes hope that they really learn how to "play as a team and have fun" this year.

High school players "have worked as hard as they can and have improved everyday more and more," said Grace L. Coach White said "these past few games have been a great learning experience for the freshman to really learn what they're up against." The players also look up to Mrs. Baseley, middle school coach, who loves to help out as much as she can. The entire team is enthusiastic about this year

and is eager to get back on the court to play with their teammates, or as they prefer to say, their Ram Family! --Casey S.

Mrs. Jahnke's New Journey at St. Xavier



Mrs. Jahnke has been a staff member of our school serving as librarian for the past few years. In addition to her job as a librarian and substitute teacher, she will be helping with recruitment and marketing for St. Xavier this year. Her official title is Office of Recruitment/Marketer.

The objective in her new job is to promote the school and its mission by working closely with stakeholders to shape the school image and values and

to communicate them to the public in order to increase enrollment. According to Mrs. Jahnke, the responsibilities of this job include developing content and direct creative execution to provide a consistent, targeted, and impactful message to promote the school, review the school website and Google calendar, and to check that all information is up to date, as well as designing advertisements or fliers for use in the school or outside publications.

Current projects and goals for Mrs. Jahnke include creating a new school flier for the current school year, promoting Catholic education by advertising our school to surrounding parishes and on Fort Riley, and coordinating a virtual auction for this fall. Mrs. Jahnke is looking forward to serving St. Xavier this year with her new job. -- DJ S.

Ms. Hay Is Looking Forward To Teaching Third Grade!



Ms. Hay earned her degree in Elementary Education from Ottawa University. She is an only child and grew up in Steamboat Springs, Colorado.

In her spare time, some of her favorite hobbies are paddle boarding, hiking, fishing, camping, and horseback riding; she enjoys almost anything you can do outside. In addition to her teaching duties, Ms. Hay is looking forward to helping coach the St.

Xavier Forensic Team.

Ms. Hays's favorite color is green, her favorite animal is a tiger, and she loves to travel.

The advice Ms. Hay would like to give to her Saint Xavier students is "work as though everything depends on you, and pray as though everything depends on God." --St. Ignatius. --Jason W.

Mrs. Baseley Excited To Be Teaching The Fourth Grade



Mrs. Baseley joined the St. Xavier staff after she attended Kansas State University and earned a BS in elementary education. She is from Sublette, Kansas.

Her family moved to the area in 2017. She has been married for three years and has two children. In her spare time, she likes to play with her kids, bake, read, fish, and take care of her animals. She has two dogs, six chickens, and one fish.

Mrs. Baseley has three brothers--one who she says could be her twin. She has an aunt who is her age. The advice she wants to share is “You can do anything that you set your mind to. Say I can instead of I can’t and you will go far in life.”

This year she is looking forward to helping her students learn and having fun. She is also excited to be the middle school volleyball coach. She looks forward to a great year. --Justina C.

Ms. Hagge Loves Kindergarten!



Ms. Hagge attended Kansas State University in Manhattan, Kansas. She earned her Bachelor of Science in Elementary Education with a focus in English.

She is teaching Kindergarten at St. Xavier. Ms. Hagge is originally from Overland Park, Kansas, and has lived there her entire life. She still has family in Overland Park including her parents

and their family dog, Bogey. She has two sisters who both attended K-State. Ms. Hagge has dogs named Moose and Rex.

In her free time, Ms. Hagge loves to read. She says, "I could spend all day on my Kindle!" Ms. Hagge also loves hanging out with family and friends. An interesting fact about Ms. Hagge is that she went to a Catholic school from K-12. Some of the people she graduated from college with are people she has been going to school with for 17 years!

The advice Ms. Hagge would give the St. Xavier students is to get involved. "Get involved with your classmates and what the school has to offer. You won't regret it!" The thing Ms. Hagge is looking forward to the most is getting back into the swing of school and being in the classroom with the kids. --Kenzie G.

Rams Running The Distance For The Cross Country Season



The Rams have started a new season for cross country 2020-2021. There are three upcoming events for this cross country season! Thursday, September 17 at 4:00 PM at Northern Heights; Thursday, September 24, 4:00 PM at Wabaunsee; and Saturday, October 10 at Riley County. The cross country team has already participated in their first meet for this season! It was on Thursday, September 3 at 3 PM.

Questions/Answers from some of our cross country members:

How do you feel about the season so far? Aleric B. "It started off poorly for our first meet, but I have a good feeling we'll do better this season." Lauren P. "I think that it's going pretty well; I feel like we are going to do pretty good this year." Brady S. "The season is going good. The coach is pushing us hard but it's paying off."

Some of your goals for this season? Aleric B. "Finish a 5K under 16 minutes and 10 seconds." Lauren P. "Some of my goals for this season would be to push myself to continue to get better in each race, and I would like to place in at least one race." Brady S. "I want to place in the top three, and I want to get my personal record down to 17:30."

What meet are you looking forward to? Aleric B. "Since this is my first time really participating in cross country, I'm not exactly looking forward to any meets since I've never run any of them." Brady S. "The last meet because I want to see how much I have improved and see if I accomplished my goals." –Kiley W.

St. Xavier Catholic School's Photo Gallery



Heston J., manager, helping out his team before a game!

Grace L. leading the warmup exercises for her team!



Aleric B. taking pictures on the first day of school.



Jason W. is ready to go to his class.



Students viewing a band lesson.



Father G. blessing students in Grade 1.



Mrs. Baseley preparing for class.



Kaycie G. getting her temperature checked by Coach White.



The 8th graders hard at work.



Walking a student to his first class.



Rams having a great time listening to a story!



Rams drawing their hands for their art project! Stay hydrated!!



Brady S., DJ S., and Lauryn P. enjoying math class.

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