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# SAINTLY INSIGHTS

Official Newsletter of Xavier Catholic Schools

## Embracing Unity

EXCITING NEWS ABOUT XAVIER CATHOLIC SCHOOLS

We hope this message finds you well and filled with the blessings of the season. As we enter the new year, we are delighted to share monthly updates that will shape the future of Xavier Catholic Schools. As announced in early December, all schools in the Cedar Rapids metro area will officially become one consolidated school system on July 1, 2024.

Creating a unified and vibrant Catholic school community is an exciting venture and will bring together the rich traditions, academic excellence, and faith-filled values that all schools have cherished over the years.

Over the coming months, we will work diligently to ensure a smooth transition for everyone involved. Our dedicated transition team will communicate regularly with families, providing updates and addressing any questions or concerns that may arise.



**ALL SAINTS 2ND GRADERS SERVED THEIR SISTER PARISH IN HAITI BY PACKAGING SEVEN BOXES OF NUTRITIOUS MEALS (1512 TOTAL) TO BE DELIVERED VIA THE TAKE AWAY HUNGER PROGRAM**

## What Comes Next...

Subsidy Committee finalizes new subsidy formula

Schools begin the 24-25 enrollment process

Xavier Catholic Schools President is hired

New School Board holds first introductory gathering

Xavier Catholic Schools Central Office positions are posted

New Constitution and Consolidation Agreement are drafted





# Xavier Catholic Schools 2024-2025 School Board

PLEASE JOIN ME IN WELCOMING THIS GROUP

Please join me in welcoming the inaugural 2024-2025 school board. As a board member, their role will be instrumental in shaping the future of our Catholic schools and the newly created Xavier Catholic School system. Their insights, leadership, and dedication will contribute to the continued success of our educational programs, ensuring that they align seamlessly with our faith-based values and meet the evolving needs of our students.

Brian Talyat, All Saints  
John Stallman, St. John XXIII  
Robyn Ginther, St. Joseph  
Shea Kelly, St. Patrick  
Angela Ramirez, St. Matthew

Erica Seelman, Immaculate Conc/St. Wenc  
Ben Fuller, St. Elizabeth Ann Seton  
Joe Nguyen, St. Pius  
Jill Henderson, St. Ludmila  
Tricia Hoffman-Simanek, St. Jude

"Live each day, each moment, each effort with our inner gaze turned to Jesus. Joys and sorrows, satisfactions and challenges. All in the presence and with the grace of Jesus, the Lord. All with gratitude and hope."

POPE FRANCIS



ST. JOSEPH MIDDLE SCHOOL STUDENTS RAKED LEAVES, HAULED BRANCHES, & DID WINTERIZING AT PRAIRIEWOODS



REGIS ROYAL ROBOTS AT THEIR FTC (FIRST TECH CHALLENGE) ROBOTICS COMPETITION



## President Position is Posted

The President position is now posted internally to the Xavier Catholic Schools administration, faculty, and staff. Interviews will begin the week of January 22nd with a hire to follow in early February.

The roles and responsibilities of the president are focused in the following areas: Catholic mission, long-term strategic planning, academic excellence and continuous improvement, working relationships with principals and central office leadership, ensuring a culture of engagement and accountability, and board and committee leadership.