



**Xavier College Preparatory High School Office of  
Campus Ministry  
Christian Service Program**

The formation of men and women for and with others is at the heart of an Ignatian education. Students, in a spirit of openness to growth and Christian charity, are invited to practice a faith that does justice. Xavier aims to inspire students to respond to Christ's call to unconditionally love neighbor, perform acts of Corporal and Spiritual Works of Mercy, and understand the plight of the suffering, poor, marginalized, and oppressed. Through service, students come to encounter the living God in themselves and others, put faith into action, and grow in maturation. All students are required to complete Christian Service Hours as part of the Theology Departmental Curricula, worth 10% of the student's grade each year. By graduation, students will have completed at least 80 hours of service.

*"Today our prime educational objective must be to form men-and-women-for-others; men and women who will live not for themselves but for God and his Christ - for the God-man who lived and died for all the world; men and women who cannot even conceive of love of God which does not include love for the least of their neighbors; men and women completely convinced that love of God which does not issue in justice for others is a farce." - Pedro Arrupe, SJ, 1973 (Former Superior General, Society of Jesus)*

**FRESHMEN- 10 HOURS** Freshmen are required to complete at least ten hours of *service for others* throughout the academic year. *Service for others* entails volunteering of your time to help others and better the greater community. Five hours of service must be completed at any non-profit, school, or community organization during the first semester. The remaining five hours will be completed at a mandatory, on-campus event, Easter Eggstravaganza, during the second semester. This event will take place on **Sunday, March 29th, 2020**. In the event students cannot attend Eggstravaganza, they are to contact the Office of Campus Ministry. In order to receive credit, students must submit a completed hour-log (with signed verification from the organization) to the Office of Campus Ministry.

**SOPHOMORES - 20 HOURS** Sophomores are required to complete at least twenty hours of *service for others* throughout the academic year. *Service for others* entails volunteering of your time to help others and better the community. A minimum of ten hours of service must be completed semester. Sophomores may volunteer at any non-profit, school, or community organization. All completed hours must be logged into x2VOL in order to receive credit.

**JUNIORS - 40 HOURS** Juniors are required to complete at least forty hours of *service with others* throughout the academic year. *Service with others* entails direct interaction and service with the poor and marginalized- the “least of these” (Matthew 25: 31-46). A minimum of ten hours of service per quarter must be completed ONLY at approved community organizations that exhibit a preferential option for the poor, vulnerable, and marginalized. A list of approved sites may be found on the Xavier website. All completed hours must be logged into x2VOL in order to receive credit.

**SENIORS - 10 HOURS** Seniors are required to complete at least ten hours of *service for and with others* throughout the academic year. Senior service entails both service for and with others, meaning seniors should be active in the world around them, putting others before themselves. Five hours of service must be completed each semester at any non-profit, school, or community organization, including Xavier Prep. In order to receive credit, students must submit a completed hour-log (with signed verification from the organization) to the Office of Campus Ministry.

All requirements, approval forms, and volunteer opportunities may be accessed on the Xavier Faith & Service webpage. A list of approved and suggested service sites appropriate for all students may also be found online. Babysitting and paid work will not count for hours.

Policy questions and concerns may be directed to Mrs. Mary Hach, Chair of the Theology Department (mhach@xavierprep.org, x6060), or Mr. Dave Branconier (dbranconier@xavierprep.org, x6176).