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Xavier University Lab School (XULS) is one of only two Jesuit Catholic laboratory schools in the Western hemisphere and is the only Preschool-6th grade school in Cincinnati that is part of a university. This connection to higher education gives lab school students a distinct advantage by providing access to a depth of expertise in elementary education, educational leadership, special education, literacy, neuroscience, and more.

Our Mission

XULS fosters compassionate leaders, critical thinkers, and lifelong learners through an inclusive education grounded in the Jesuit Catholic tradition, nurturing each PK-6th grade student's unique potential to shape a socially just and sustainable world.

Personalized Learning

At XULS, your child will benefit from experienced and innovative teachers who will support their individual needs. Licensed

teachers in a lab school setting are not just following textbooks, they will use a firm foundation of evidence-informed practices combined with active experimentation to deliver what works best for your child to build their curiosity and foster an attitude of lifelong learning. Teaching methods for your child are informed by the latest research on how children learn best, so your child's educational experience is meaningful and rigorous.



Philosophy of Continuous Improvement



The lab school approach emphasizes continuously thinking about how to make learning better. Teachers reflect on what works, what could be improved, and how to make lessons more enjoyable and effective for children and they

model these behaviors for students. This ongoing focus on improvement means your child will experience a learning environment that adapts to meet their needs and incorporates cutting-edge practices and that your child will see discernment and critical thinking in action.

Academics

Students at XULS will experience research-based and innovative curriculum that is individualized to meet each child's unique learning profile. With an emphasis on the development of the whole child, students will be immersed in the core content areas of reading language arts, mathematics, science and social studies. Additionally, students will experience Catholic teachings throughout their school week. Experiential learning in all content areas will be a focus of the lab school, with students developing skills as critical thinkers and problem-solvers. As a school that is part of a Jesuit Catholic University, we emphasize academic rigor and spiritual formation.



Nurturing Community

The collaboration between teachers, teacher candidates, and School of Education faculty will create a caring and safe space where your child feels valued. Since everyone involved is focused on learning about what works best for your child and contributing to your child's intellectual and spiritual formation, it ensures that the school is a place where children feel understood, cared for, and respected. This helps them grow in confidence and emotional well-being so they can become compassionate leaders.



For more information or to set up a tour visit xavier.edu/lab-school or email us at xuls@xavier.edu

Our Core Values:

- + **Cura Personalis** | caring for each other, recognizing the uniqueness and wholeness of each person
- + **Solidarity and Kinship** | walking alongside and learning from our peers, both local and afar
- + **Service rooted in Justice and Love** | investing our lives in the well-being of our neighbors, particularly those who suffer injustices
- + **Reflection** | pausing and considering the world around us and our place within it
- + **Discernment** | being open to God's spirit, our feelings, and thoughts when making decisions and taking action that will contribute good to our lives and the world around us