

## November 19th High School Placement Test (HSPT) – Preparation Opportunity

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Jim Telles and I have been partners in instruction for over 25 years at St. Xavier High School and will be **offering an HSPT preparation course** for interested 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> grade students (boys and girls) **at St. Xavier High School on Saturday, October 29th and November 5th**. The actual HSPT exam will be held on Saturday, November 19th ensuring the concepts and preparation learned in the course stay fresh for exam day.

This is an 8 hour preparatory course for the HSPT. The first 4 hours of instruction are offered on October 29th and the second 4 hours on November 5th. Students can register for the 8:00 AM – 12:00 PM or 12:30 PM – 4:30 PM session. The time slot that the student chooses to attend on October 29th is also the same time slot he or she will attend on November 5th. If inclement weather forces the cancellation of either weekend session, students are expected to be available on Saturday, November 12th for a make-up session.

Jim and I pioneered the study strategy course at St. Xavier High for incoming freshmen that welcomes over 300 kids over the summer. We enjoy teaching these programs and hearing about the great results our participants achieve. We work with *RedwoodPrep*, a group of educators with a nationwide HSPT preparation curriculum and program, to offer an HSPT preparation program here at St. Xavier High.

Students often go into the HSPT exam lacking formal preparation leading to poorer results and more stress. Our two day program comprehensively prepares students and addresses all the key topics in each of the exam's 5 major areas: Verbal Skills, Mathematics, Reading, Language and Quantitative Skills. We also teach students key test-taking strategies applicable to the HSPT and – just as importantly – future standardized exams as well (e.g., time management, answer choice elimination). By program's end, students will know how to tackle every type of problem on the HSPT and know how to navigate standardized exams more effectively and efficiently.

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We look forward to working with you and wish you all the best with your high school admissions process,

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