



**Xavier's School for Gifted Youngsters**  
 1407 Graymalkin Lane  
 Salem Center, Westchester County  
 New York

**Congratulations!**

We are pleased to announce that you have been accepted with a full scholarship to the Charles Xavier School for Gifted Youngsters!

With the end of the Westchester Wars and regrettable but necessary defeat of Magneto, our recent troubles battling against Cassandra Nova made it very clear that we need to direct our attention towards being better stewards of the next generation of mutants. To that end, we have refocused our efforts on education. While the X-Men will continue to operate as the world's premier super-hero team, we expect the peace that we enjoy to continue, allowing us to provide young mutants with the benefit of our years of experience in using our powers for the benefit of all people, human and mutant alike.

Parents, please note that your signature is required on the attached waiver to allow for the use of our "Danger Room" equipment—an evocative but not entirely accurate nomenclature, I assure you—and that separate waivers covering unfortunate situations such as injury, being stranded in Limbo, and other side effects of our profession must also be filled out in full by the first day of classes. I surely do not need to remind you that endowment of the scholarship is contingent on these documents.

We look forward to your hard work and a truly rewarding semester ahead! Best wishes, and as the Bard says, "to thine own self be true!"

Sincerely,

Henry McCoy, Dean of Students

Charles F. Xavier, Headmaster

Storm, X-Men Team Leader



Please report to the following individuals on the first day of classes to complete any necessary documents and receive your class schedule.

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**8 DAYS LATER...**

THEY ARE THE X-MEN, MUTANTS BORN WITH POWERS AND ABILITIES THAT SET THEM APART FROM THE REST OF HUMANITY.

**STORM**

TEAM LEADER AND GODDESS AT LARGE. CONTROLS AND MANIPULATES THE FORCES OF NATURE.

**BISHOP**

MUTANT LAWMAN FROM THE FUTURE. CONVERTS ENERGY INTO POWERFUL BLASTS.

**PSYLOCKE**

TELEPATHIC NINJA FROM ACROSS THE POND. MANIFESTS POWER AS PSYCHIC KNIFE.

**GAMBIT**

PART-TIME THIEF, FULL-TIME SCOUNDREL. CHARGES OBJECTS WITH KINETIC ENERGY AND MAKES THEM GO BOOM!

**WOLVERINE**

BEST THERE IS AT WHAT HE DOES. HEALING FACTOR. RAZOR-SHARP ADAMANTIUM CLAWS. ENHANCED SENSES.





**ROGUE**

TOUGH AS NAILS,  
AND TWICE AS  
STRONG. POWER  
ABSORPTION  
THROUGH SKIN-  
TO-SKIN  
CONTACT.

IN A WORLD THAT  
HATES AND FEARS  
THEIR KIND, THE X-MEN  
HAVE DEFIED THE ODDS TO  
BECOME EARTH'S MOST  
POPULAR SUPER-HEROES.  
STILL, DESPITE GLOBAL  
FAME, NOT EVERYONE  
IS A FAN.

BUT WE'RE  
GETTING  
AHEAD OF  
OURSELVES.

# EARLIER THAT DAY...

MUTANTS. HEROES. TELEVISION STARS. ALL WORDS THAT DESCRIBE WESTCHESTER'S OWN UNCANNY X-MEN. AND TODAY WE ADD ONE MORE TO THE LIST-- **TEACHERS!**

I'M OUTSIDE **XAVIER'S SCHOOL FOR GIFTED YOUNGSTERS**, WHERE FOUNDER **CHARLES XAVIER** SURPRISED THE WORLD RECENTLY WHEN HE ANNOUNCED THE SCHOOL WOULD ACCEPT NEW STUDENTS, NOT TO BE TRAINED BY HIM, BUT BY THE X-MEN THEMSELVES.

ANOTHER EXCITING STEP TOWARDS **ACCEPTANCE** BY AMERICA'S FAVORITE MUTANTS; ONE WE'RE ALL ANXIOUS TO WATCH UNFOLD.

REPORTING LIVE FROM SALEM CENTER, TRISH TILBY, NPR-TV NEWS.



"BOISTEROUS"? I SEEM TO REMEMBER A STUDENT OF MINE WHO INSISTED HE COULD ONLY DO **HOMEWORK** WHILE **HANGING UPSIDE-DOWN FROM THE RAFTERS**.

SOUNDS LIKE A **HIGHLY INVENTIVE** PUPIL TO ME.

## BRRRING

SLOW DOWN, MR. ELLIOTT!

ARE YOU SURE YOU WON'T RECONSIDER TAKING A CLASS OF YOUR OWN, PROFESSOR?

MEBBE NEXT TIME YOU DODGE LIKE GAMBIT AND NOT GET HIT SO HARD, CHÈRE.

DANG! Y'ALL WEREN'T KIDDIN' ABOUT THOSE NEW **ANGER ROOM LEVELS!**

THOSE **NEW KIDS** ARE GONNA HAVE IT **ROUGHER** THAN A **HICKORY SWITCH!**

OOF!





IT FEELS GOOD TO HAVE STUDENTS AT THE SCHOOL AGAIN.

IT CERTAINLY DOES, CHARLES-- ALTHOUGH, I DON'T RECALL BEING QUITE SO BOISTEROUS IN MY YOUNGER DAYS.



RELAX, HENRY. I'D PREFER TO SERVE IN AN ADVISORY ROLE FOR NOW. WITH MY MUTANT GIFTS STILL WEAKENED FROM THE PSYCHIC BATTLE AGAINST THE SHADOW QUEEN,\* IT'S A FITTING TIME FOR THE NEXT GENERATION TO TAKE OVER.

OF COURSE. AND AFTER ALL, IT'S THE FIRST DAY. HOW MUCH TROUBLE CAN THERE BE?

\*IT HAPPENED IN THE NOW-CLASSIC X-MEN '92 VOL. 01--JORDAN D. WHITE

**BOOOM**



**BRRINNG**

FIRST DAY OF TEACHING AND I'M ALREADY LATE. I'VE HAD NIGHTMARES LIKE--

PROFESSOR...?

=SIGH= GO. IT SEEMS A HEADMASTER'S WORK IS NEVER DONE.

INCOMING!

SORRY, MCCOY. WHEN JUBILEE TOLD ME SHE WANTED TO DO SOME TRAININ' WITH BLADES, I DIDN'T THINK SHE MEANT THESE BLASTED THINGS.

QUITE ALL RIGHT, LOGAN.



IT'S REALLY *OUR* FAULT FOR BUILDING OUR CLASSROOMS ON A ROLLER DERBY TRACK.

HIYA, BEASTIE! HEY, AREN'T YOU LATE FOR CLASS?

YES I AM, JUBILATION. NOW, PLEASE...

KEEP IT OUT OF THE HALLWAYS, HM?



X-MEN 101

PROFESSOR HENRY MCCOY, MD, PHD, MRS

BEAST

⇒HUFF⇒  
AH, GOOD MORNING, CLASS.



YOU'RE LATE, PROFESSOR. WE'RE NOT ALLOWED TO BE LATE.



I AM WELL AWARE OF MY *TARDINESS*, MS. ST. CROIX, BUT FORTUNATELY, BEING PART OF THE *FACULTY* AFFORDS CERTAIN *PRIVILEGES*. NOW IF YOU'RE READY TO BEGIN, WE CAN *FINALLY* START TALKING ABOUT WHAT IT MEANS TO BE AN X-MAN.

LESSON NUMBER ONE: AS MUTANTS, YOU WILL EXPERIENCE THE WORST SIDE OF HUMANITY, BUT HERE'S THE TRUTH--AND THIS IS MOST DEFINITELY MEANT TO FRIGHTEN YOU--YOUR WORST DAY AS A MUTANT, WILL LIKELY BE YOUR BEST DAY AS AN X-MAN.

YOU WILL LEARN A GREAT DEAL IN THIS CLASS, BUT *NOTHING* I SAY CAN PREPARE YOU FOR--

CRASH

X-MEN! THEY'RE COMING FOR YOU!