How to Run PHP Files Using XAMPP (Step-by-Step)

Step 1: Open XAMPP

- Launch the XAMPP Control Panel

- Click 'Start' for both Apache and MySQL if you're using a database

Step 2: Create Your PHP File

- Open VS Code or any code editor

- Save your PHP file as: C:\xampp\htdocs\YourFolder\filename.php

Example: C:\xampp\htdocs\StudentFormDB\index.php

Step 3: Write Your Code

- Example PHP Code:

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<?php
  echo 'Hello, this is PHP!';
?>
```

Step 4: Open Browser and Access via Localhost

- Open Chrome/Firefox

- Go to: http://localhost/YourFolder/filename.php

Example: http://localhost/StudentFormDB/index.php

Important Notes:

- Do NOT use Go Live for PHP

- Do NOT double-click PHP files to run

- PHP files must be accessed through localhost and inside the htdocs folder