ST. CROIX ACADEMY

GLOBAL LEADER IN UNIVERSITY PREPARATION

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WELCOME TO ST. CROIX ACADEMY

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Thank you for your interest in St. Croix Academy!

Visit StCroixUSA.org for a virtual tour or to schedule an appointment with an admissions counselor.

ST. CROIX STUDENTS CONTINUE ON TO THESE AND OTHER UNIVERSITIES:

- Amherst College
- Boston College
- Boston University
- Carnegie Mellon University
- Chulalongkorn
- Columbia University
- Concordia University
- Cornell University
- Drake University
- Harvard University
- Indiana University
- John Hopkins University
- Marquette University
- Massachusetts Institute of Technology
- New York University
- Notre Dame
- Ohio State University
- Penn State University
- Pepperdine University
- Purdue University
- Rutgers University
- San Francisco State University
- Syracuse University
- United States Air Force Academy
- University of California–Berkeley
- University of Colorado
- University of Hawaii
- University of Illinois
- University of Maryland
- University of Michigan
- University of Minnesota
- University of San Francisco
- University of Texas
- University of Washington
- University of Wisconsin
- Waseda University

Downtown St. Paul is less than 4 miles from St. Croix Academy

ABOUT ST. CROIX ACADEMY

The beautiful state of Minnesota is known for:

- The Twin Cities of Minneapolis and St. Paul – the second cleanest, healthiest city in the United States.
- More than 10,000 lakes, perfect for hiking and walking.
- Four distinct seasons - winter, spring, summer, and fall.
- Standard American accents, which make it a great place to learn English.
- Affordable cost of living, safe neighborhoods, and nice people.
- The Mall of America.
- Headquarters to the world-renowned Mayo Clinic, 3M, Best Buy, Target, and Medtronics.
- Elite Universities: University of Minnesota, Macalaster, St. Thomas, Hamline, and Carleton.
- Minneapolis/St. Paul International Airport (MSP) with daily international flights.

ST. CROIX IS:

- A private Christian university preparatory school that enrolls 500 students in grades 6-12, including 120 international students from over 15 countries on five continents.
- Recognized by the State of Minnesota Department of Education and accredited by the Minnesota Nonpublic School Accrediting Association.
- A partner in education. In addition to our core curriculum with many university credit offerings, our unique Learning Resource Center provides more support.
- Five minutes from downtown St. Paul and within walking distance of the Mississippi River.
- The only boarding school on a lake in a top five USA city.

CARING TEACHERS

Teachers are nice to us and the small class size gives us the opportunity of talking to the teacher one on one.

Bruno, Class of 2022
Yinchuan, China

COLLEGE CREDIT IN HIGH SCHOOL

- AP Calculus A/B
- AP Calculus B/C
- AP Chemistry
- AP English Language & Composition
- AP English Literature & Composition
- AP Music Theory
- AP Physics 1
- AP Physics 2
- AP Psychology
- AP U.S. History
- Introduction to Engineering Design
- Principles of Engineering
- Computer Science Principles
- Online dual-credit courses

COLLEGE GUIDANCE FOR GRADES 9-12

- Homeroom advisors
- One-to-one guidance consultations
- Personality inventory
- College fairs
- College information library
- ACT preparation classes
- TOEFL preparation classes
- Online SAT preparation classes
- ACT/SAT scheduling/travel
- College application assistance
- Recommendation letter guidance
- College admission counselor visits
- College visit assistance
- Pregraduation consultation
- Alumni mentor program

CHALLENGING ACADEMICS

St. Croix provides a university-preparatory curriculum during a two-semester school year.

15+ Countries Represented

13:1 Student/Teacher Ratio

70% Teachers with Advanced Degrees

Academic Support and Tutoring

34
Average GPA

1300+
Average SAT

ESL
3 Levels of ESL Courses

95%
Pursue Postsecondary Education

100% of international graduates are accepted to a university.
(99% to a U.S. university)

BECOME A PART OF T

The co-curricular program at St. Croix is designed for the total student. Award-winning opportunities exist in athletics, the arts, and intellectual programs -- all students have an opportunity identify, strengthen, and maximize talent.

Athletics

Fall Sports

- Bowling
- Boys Cross Country
- Girls Cross Country
- Boys Football
- Boys Soccer
- Girls Soccer
- Girls Tennis
- Girls Volleyball

Winter Sports

- Boys Basketball
- Girls Basketball
- Dance
- Wrestling

Spring Sports

- Baseball
- Clay Target
- Boys Golf
- Girls Golf
- Boys Lacrosse
- Softball
- Boys Track and Field
- Girls Track and Field

Fine Arts

Choral

- Middle School Choir
- Chorale
- Concert Choir
- Croixaliers

Instrumental

- Middle School Band
- Crusader Band
- Jazz Band
- Pep Band

Drama

- Middle School Drama
- Children's Theatre
- Spring Play/Musical
- One-Act Play

Visual Arts

- Drawing
- Painting
- Ceramics
- Sculpture
- Video Recording Arts

EVENTS

- Fall Concert
- Choral Festival
- MS Christmas Concert
- HS Christmas Concert
- Honors Concert
- Gathering Grounds Show
- Band Festival
- Band Concert
- HS Sacred Choral Concert
- MS Fine Arts Festival
- MS Spring Concert and Play
- HS Spring Concert

THE ST. CROIX FAMILY

Leadership

- Athletic Student Leadership Team
- Global Leadership Team
- International Student Mentors
- National Honor Society
- New Friends
- Peer Tutors
- School Ambassadors
- Student Council

Academic Teams

- Drone Racing
- Esports
- Math Team
- Robotics Team
- Speech Team
- Stream Team
- Youth in Government

> Through my involvement in speech competitions and the entire experience of studying at St. Croix, I have learned an insistence on success and a perseverance in new things that I try.

Xita Kaisa, Salutatorian
Class of 2010; University of Illinois

Challenging Academics

- Education through exploration
- Options to take high school classes
- Supportive ESL classes for English language learners
- Ability grouping in the classroom
- Small class sizes

Experiential Trips

- Overnight Trips
- Music and Theater Performances
- Service Projects
- Outdoor Activities
- Business Partnerships
- Museums

Technology in the Classroom

- Chromebook Laptops
- Google School Platform
- Interactive Smart TV Technology

Team Building

- Speech (7-8)
- Video Stream Team (6-8)
- Robotics (6-8)
- Drone Racing (6-8)
- Choir
- Band
- Visual Arts

Sports

Fall Sports

- Bowling (grades 7-8)
- Cross Country (grades 7-8)
- Football (boys grades 6-8)
- Soccer (grades 7-8)
- Tennis (girls grades 7-8)
- Volleyball (girls grades 6-8)

Winter Sports

- Basketball (grades 6-8)
- Dance (girls grades 7-8)
- Wrestling (boys grades 7-8)

Spring Sports

- Baseball (boys grades 7-8)
- Clay Target (grades 6-8)
- Golf (grades 7-8)
- Lacrosse (boys grades 7-8)
- Softball (girls grades 7-8)
- Track and Field (grades 6-8)

– GRADES 6-8

JUNIOR BOARDING PROGRAM

- Weekly house meal
- Weekend activities designed for younger students
- Wake-up routine
- Time management guidance
- Device counseling
- Off-campus oversight
- Homework guidance

ON-CAMPUS HOUSING

Students from five continents attend St. Croix.
Both American and international students reside on-campus.

Location

- Lakeside setting near park and walking trails
- Safe residential neighborhood
- Within walking distance of over 50 stores and restaurants
- Convenient access to downtown St. Paul, Minneapolis, MSP airport, and the Mall of America

Student Care

- Six adult instructors live onsite
- Academic tracking and support
- Regular parent communication
- On-site counseling services
- American and dormitory mentor for new students

Activities

Weekly dorm activities include:

- Community service
- Ski trips
- Sporting events
- Shopping trips
- Cultural excursions
- Optional weekend worship

> St. Croix is a great school because they care about students. They provided me with a caring community and a nice supportive system, which I desperately needed because I was far from my home and family.
>
> Daniel Yang, Valedictorian, Class of 1998
> Cornell University
> Senior Business Executive at Capital One

AMENITIES

- 152-bed, 3-story dormitory for boys and girls (separate wings)
- 2-person accommodations
- Secured entrances and room
- On-site chef, three meals per day
- Kitchen space for student use
- Lakeside dining
- Laundry room and storage units
- Student lounges on each floor
- Dorm room refrigerator
- On-site activity center
- Hi-speed Wifi

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