



Dear Families,

Welcome to new and returning families as a new school year is upon us! My name is Mr. Schoch, and I am the Director of Student Residence at St. Croix Lutheran Academy. I oversee the residential program at St. Croix, including the students and the staff that will be caring for them.

It is my hope that as a community of people from throughout the world, located on one campus, we grow together as Christians to learn from and appreciate each other. It is my honor to serve you in this role as your child lives on campus.

Mrs. Tamara Julian works alongside me to provide exceptional student care on campus regarding medical services and communication to our dormitory families. Please look for emails from Mrs. Julian in the near future.

Families, please save this document and spend time reading through the information and links (in red) with your son or daughter before arriving on campus. The dormitory staff, Mrs. Julian, and I are honored to provide caring relationships for your family by promoting safe and healthy growth for your child at St. Croix.

Mr. Garrett Schoch
Director of Student Residence





Dormitory Helpful Information - New and Returning Students

Please read the linked (red) information before arriving at St. Croix.

- [Dormitory Portal](#) - This site includes information for dormitory transportation, dormitory activities, and ways for parents to stay connected.
- [Student Residential Handbook / Dormitory Fast Facts / Discipline Schedule](#)
- [Dormitory Communication](#) - This document explains how our dormitory communication system informs students and parents via email notifications.

Other Important Links

[Power School](#) - Student Information System and Online Gradebook. Returning students will receive student schedules on PS by mid-August. New students will receive their schedules after placement testing is completed during orientation. Power School access for new students and parents will arrive via email. New parents, if you do not have access by the first day of school please contact Mr. Schoch.

[Parent/Student Portal](#) - Links to academic reports, fee payment sites, and other resources.

St. Croix Student Google Account - New Students

Your student account will be activated closer to your arrival date. On-campus, students use their email to receive information from teachers, Mrs. Julian, or Mr. Schoch.

Dormitory Orientation Schedule and Arrival Instructions

New dormitory students will be excused from athletics/activity events on August 16-19 to attend new student orientation. New dormitory students must attend each event on the schedule below unless excused by Mr. Schoch for school-related activities.

[Dormitory Orientation - Student Edition](#) - New Dormitory Student Schedule



We invite all new parents to join us in the chapel on August 16 at 9:00 a.m. for an introduction to the SCLA family from Principal, Nate Kallies.

*Further information regarding academic orientation will be communicated separately to parents from the academic department.

Communication Contacts Prior to Arrival

New International Students ~ Mrs. Wolfrath - CWolfrath@StCroixLutheran.org

New Domestic Students ~ Mrs. Julian - TJulian@StCroixLutheran.org

Returning Domestic and International ~ Mr. Schoch - GSchoch@StCroixLutheran.org

**Please submit dormitory forms or documents by August 1. If you have questions about any documents please reach out to the individuals above.*

**1 Page St. Croix Calendar*



DORMITORY CONTACT SHEET

St. Croix Lutheran Academy

Office:

(651) 455-1521



Fax: (651) 451-3968

Dormitory Director: (651) 455-1521 ext 1123
Mr. Garrett Schoch GSchoch@StCroixLutheran.org

Dormitory Student Advisor (651) 455-1521 ext 1118
Mrs. Tamara Julian TJulian@StCroixLutheran.org

***What to Bring?** - Information on what is and is not allowed in the dormitory. Supplies needed for academic and athletic/clubs will be communicated via email at a later date.

***Medical Services St. Croix Offers** - Medical help we offer and advise during summer.

***Where to ship packages?** Mail call is after school each day in the dormitory.

Student Name
1200 Oakdale Ave.
West Saint Paul, MN 55118





AIRPORT ARRIVAL INSTRUCTIONS - MSP Airport Map

New Students: A residence supervisor will meet you at the airport at baggage claim near door 4 when you arrive. He or she will have a sign with your name and a "St. Croix Lutheran Academy" sign. If you have difficulty, please call the girls' or boys' on-duty phone (next page). *Please save them on your phone.*

Returning Students: A residence supervisor will meet you at door 4, near the international arrivals gate. If you have difficulty, please call the girls' or boys' on-duty phone (next page). *Please save them on your phone.*

*Students, if you need a shuttle from the airport to the dormitory please fill out this **August shuttle form** by August 1. The **Dormitory Portal** lists future shuttle dates and deadlines for the upcoming academic year posted one year in advance for your planning. For further information about arrival see **on campus arrival instructions**.

*New international students submit flights - **CWolfrath@StCroixLutheran.org**



ON DUTY CELL PHONES

Please use the numbers to contact dormitory supervisors in an emergency or urgent situation. They are 24/7 and carried by on-duty dormitory supervisors at all times.

Girls' On-Duty Supervisor: (651) 998-9241 | Boys' On-Duty Supervisor: (651) 998-4019

**Parents and students, please save both of these numbers on your phone.*



*New students, please text your first and last name to this number below.
This ensures dormitory staff can contact you in an emergency.

*Text your first and last name to...
(651) 998-9306 - Do not save this number. It is only for intake purposes.





Historical St. Croix Information

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*Upon arriving please access the south dormitory road (right side of the picture). To access through the gate please call the on-duty supervisor numbers listed above.





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| Director of International Admissions & Programs | Director of Student Residence |
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| <p style="text-align: center;">~ Ms. Hannah Schmiede HSchmiede@StCroixLutheran.org</p> <hr/> <p><i>Role ~ Ms. Schmiede oversees international admissions and the international program at St. Croix.</i></p> <hr/> <p><i>Bio ~ Ms. Schmiede has a heart for serving people around the world. This experience comes from spending several years living in China teaching English and building relationships. Additionally, she served in the St. Croix dormitory as the Dormitory Director from 2014-2018. The international and dormitory program is close to her heart as she now is the head of the program and spends most of her time recruiting new students to attend St. Croix. This allows her to share her love for people in the world and the development they can share with each other through multicultural education.</i></p> <hr/> <p><i>B.S. - English + Philosophy M.A. - Comparative Literature</i></p> <hr/> <p><i>Connectedness, Strategic, Empathy, Ideation, Input</i></p> <div data-bbox="254 1052 561 1434" data-label="Image">  </div> | <p style="text-align: center;">~ Mr. Garrett Schoch GSchoch@StCroixLutheran.org</p> <hr/> <p><i>Role ~ Mr. Schoch oversees the student residential program at St. Croix. He guides the Dormitory Student Advisor and Dormitory Staff on the day-to-day operations and caretaking of the residential community for the student's well-being.</i></p> <hr/> <p><i>Bio ~ The residential program is close to Mr. Schoch's heart as he served and lived in the SCLA dormitory as a supervisor from 2015-2018! He has also lived in a dorm for a total of 12 years from high school to college and as a dorm supervisor. Mr. Schoch's Dorm Director position allows him to have an impact on the dorm kids and the supervisors who directly impact the students.</i></p> <hr/> <p><i>B.S. - Secondary Education / Mathematics</i></p> <hr/> <p><i>Adaptability, Includer, Relator, Woo, Communication</i></p> <div data-bbox="997 1062 1302 1442" data-label="Image">  </div> |
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| <p style="text-align: center;">Chinese Admissions and International Programs</p> <hr/> <p style="text-align: center;">~ Ms. Kristin Lehmann</p> | <p style="text-align: center;">Dormitory Student Advisor</p> <hr/> <p style="text-align: center;">~ Mrs. Tamara Julian</p> |
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| KLehmann@StCroixLutheran.org | TJulian@StCroixLutheran.org |
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| <p><i>Role ~ Ms. Lehmann oversees Chinese recruitment and leads international student social programs here at St. Croix. She guides both international and domestic students in mentorship programs to support a multicultural community of learners.</i></p> | <p><i>Role ~ Mrs. Julian oversees the medical care for dormitory students. She also is the main point of contact for students and families regarding communication or extra care to provide support for parents guiding students from afar.</i></p> |
| <p><i>Bio ~ Ms. Lehmann lives for helping and coaching people from around the world to interact with one another through cross-cultural engagement. She has spent several years in China teaching English and working in previous boarding schools here in the United States assisting international and domestic students by providing them the tools they need from a relationship level to connect. She loves meeting and experiencing new situations where people can find love for the uniqueness that each person brings to the world.</i></p> | <p><i>Bio ~ Mrs. Julian's roots run deep at St. Croix in the international and dormitory program. In the early 2000's she served in the same role she is in now. After time away from St. Croix to care for her family, she has returned to serve families from across the world. Her care for the needs of students, parents, and staff members here at St. Croix fulfills her each day. We thank her for the countless homestays her family has had before the new dormitory was built to accommodate students and her faithful service to St. Croix in the current moment of our program.</i></p> |
| <p><i>B.S. - Psychology M.A. - Chinese Studies</i></p> | <p><i>B.S. - Education</i></p> |
| <p>Adaptability, Empathy, Individualism, Maximizer, Relator</p> | <p>Connectedness, Harmony, Responsibility Belief, Adaptability</p> |
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| International Admissions Assistant | Domestic Admissions Counselor |
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| <p>~ Mrs. Christine Wolfrath CWolfrath@StCroixLutheran.org</p> | <p>~ Ms. Anna Biedenbender ABiedenbender@StCroixLutheran.org</p> |
| <p><i>Role ~ Mrs. Wolfrath helps Ms. Schmiede and Ms. Lehmann through the international admission and onboarding process here at St. Croix. She communicates with international families ahead of arrival to ensure they are cared for and are ready for school in the United States.</i></p> | <p><i>Role ~ Ms. Biedenbender helps the principals through the domestic admissions and onboarding process here at St. Croix. She communicates with domestic families ahead of arrival to ensure they are cared for as students transition to life on campus.</i></p> |
| <p>Consistency, Empathy, Discipline, Harmony, Developer</p>  | <p>Deliberative, Empathy, Belief, Includer, Responsibility</p>  |

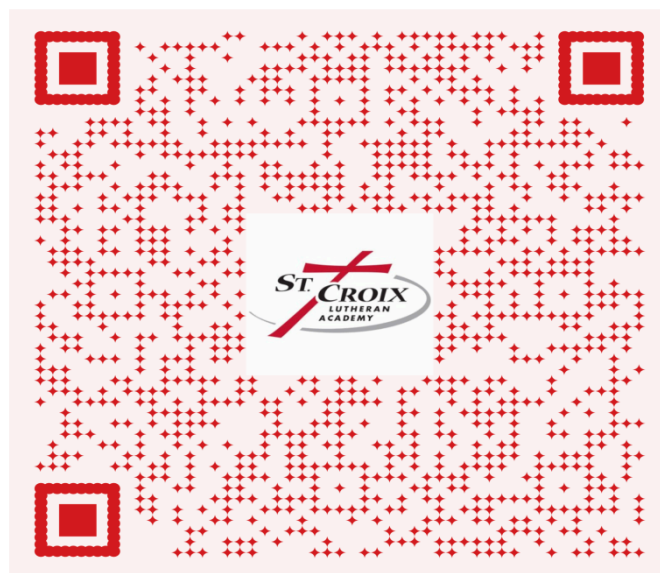
Dormitory Supervisor Bios - See bottom of [Dormitory Portal Page](#)

Role ~ They tend to the day-to-day needs of all dormitory students. Supervisors routinely check on students. Regularly scheduled meetings, special events, and celebrations are also typical aspects of residence life.

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St. Croix Lutheran Academy Dormitory Portal



Open your camera to scan the code above to view the student/parent portal.