

COMMUNITY

St. Croix Preparatory Academy is a K-12 charter school that opened in an eastern suburb of Minneapolis/St. Paul in the fall of 2004 and now serves over 1,200 students. We offer a demanding classical, liberal arts curriculum with an additional emphasis on development of each student's personal character and leadership qualities.

PHILOSOPHY

St. Croix Preparatory Academy was founded on a classical model of education, grounded in the time-tested methodology of the Trivium. Our model focuses on providing students with lifelong learning tools while encouraging them to think independently. The Trivium corresponds to the student's cognitive development, and recognizes that critical learning skills must precede critical thinking skills: K-4 - Grammar (Knowledge), 5-8 - Logic (Understanding), 9-12 - Rhetoric (Communication). Upper School students focus on synthesis and evaluation across the curriculum.

ENVIRONMENT

Set on 58 acres in the St. Croix River Valley, the learning environment at St. Croix Prep is centered on an integrated, rigorous standards-based curriculum in all core areas. One building houses grades K-12, enabling and encouraging interdisciplinary approaches to curriculum as well as cross-grade level opportunities for leadership and mentorship.

EXPECTATION

St. Croix Preparatory Academy purposefully sets high expectations for all students, staff and parents. St. Croix Prep students develop the skills necessary to be successful at all post-secondary institutions, including highly-selective schools. A St. Croix Prep student understands that a post-secondary education is expected. The school emphasizes character development through community service hours required for graduation.

COLLEGE PREPARATORY CURRICULUM

St. Croix Preparatory Academy Upper School offers 112 courses within a classical, college preparatory curriculum. This curriculum combines formal classes, laboratory work and Socratic Seminars* to draw out each student's inner curiosity and passion. Students have the opportunity to enroll in 34 Honors and AP classes and are expected to have full course loads all four years.

*Rooted in the St. Croix Prep mission of a rich, classically based education, Socratic Seminars feature collaborative, intellectual dialogue facilitated by open-ended questions. Students are challenged to think critically as they use primary sources to explore original texts, artwork and music. Upper School students participate in over 20 Socratic Seminars across content areas each year.



COLLEGES AND UNIVERSITIES ATTENDED BY 2020-2025 GRADUATES INCLUDE

- · Adelphi University
- Appalachian State University
- Arizona State University-Tempe
- Augsburg University
- Babson College
- Baylor University
- Belmont University
- Beloit College
- Benedictine College
- · Bethel University
- Boston University
- Brigham Young University-Hawaii
- Calvin University
- Carnegie Mellon University
- Carthage College
- Century College
- Chapman University
- Charleston Southern University
- Chippewa Valley Technical College
- Coe College
- Colgate University
- College of Charleston
- College of St. Benedict
- College of the Holy Cross
- Colorado State University
 -Fort Collins
- Colorado State University
- -Pueblo
- Concordia University-Saint Paul
- Creighton University
- Crown College
- Dakota County Technical College
- Drake University
- Dunwoody College of Technology
- Eckerd College
- Elon University
- Embry-Riddle

Aeronautical University

- Emmaus Bible College
- Fashion Institute of Technology
- Florida Atlantic University
- Franklin College
- Georgia Institute of Technology
- Grand Canyon University
- Grand Valley State University
- Grinnell College
- Gustavus Adolphus College
- Hamline University
- High Point University
- Hillsdale College

- Illinois Institute of Technology
- Indiana University-Bloomington
- Iowa State University
- · Kansas State University
- Kenyon College
- Kettering University
- Lawrence University
- Loyola Marymount University
- Loyola University Chicago
- Luther College
- Macalester College
- Maranatha Baptist University
- Marquette University
- Miami University-Oxford
- Michigan Technological University
- Minnesota State University-Mankato
- Missouri State University
- Montana State University
- New York University
- North Dakota State College of Science
- North Dakota State University
- North Park University
- Northeastern University
- Northern Arizona University
- Northwestern University
- Nova Academy
- Occidental College
- Ontario Tech University
- Palm Beach Atlantic University
- Purdue University
- Reichman University
- Rochester Institute of Technology
- Rollins College
- Rutgers University-New Brunswick
- Saint Cloud State University
- Saint John's University
- Saint Paul College
- Santa Clara University
- Santa Fe College
- Savannah College of Art and Design
- Seattle Pacific University
- South Dakota School of Mines and Technology
- South Dakota State University
- St Catherine University
- St Olaf College
- Stanford University
- Syracuse University
- Texas A&M University

Texas Christian University

The College of Saint Scholastica

- The George Washington University
- Union College
- United States Army
- United States Military Academy
- · United States Naval Academy
- University of Arizona
- · University of California-Berkeley
- · University of Colorado Boulder
- University of Colorado Colorado Springs
- University of Denver
- University of Florida
- University of Illinois Chicago
- University of Iowa
- University of Kansas
- University of Michigan-Ann Arbor
- University of Minnesota-Duluth
- University of Minnesota-Twin Cities
- University of Mississippi
- University of Missouri-Columbia
- University of South Florida
- University of Tampa
- University of Nebraska-Lincoln
- University of North Dakota
- University of Northwestern-St Paul
- University of Puget Sound
- University of Redlands
- University of Sioux Falls
- University of St. Thomas
- University of Tampa
- University of Utah
- University of Vermont
- University of Virginia
- University of Washington-SeattleUniversity of Wisconsin-Eau Claire
- University of Wisconsin-La Crosse
- University of Wisconsin-Madison
- University of Wisconsin-River Falls
- University of Wisconsin-Stevens Point
- University of Wisconsin-StoutUniversity of Wisconsin-Superior
- Utah State University
- Virginia Commonwealth University
- West Texas A & M University
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 Winona State University
- Yale University

SCPA GRADUATE SNAPSHOT

- 95% graduation rate
- 95% of graduates attend colleges and universities
- Average ACT Composite Score for class of 2025: 25.4

SCPA GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS

While the State of Minnesota requires students to take 21.5 credits per year to graduate, St. Croix Preparatory Academy requires its students to take 25.5 credits to graduate.

	REQUIRED BY		
COURSE	STATE OF MN	ST. CROIX PREP	
English	4	4	
Mathematics	3	4	
Social Studies	3.5	4	
Science	3	4	
World Languages	Local Decision	2	
Arts	1 2		
Health/PE	Local Decision	1	
Career & Tech Ed	Local Decision	0	
Electives /Service	7	4	
TOTAL	21.5	25	

GRADE POINT SCORE				
UNWEIGHTED COURSE POINT VALUE	WEIGHTED COURSE POINT VALUE			
4.000	5.000			
3.667 4.584				
3.333	4.166			
3.000	3.750			
2.667	3.334			
2.333	2.916			
2.000	2.500			
1.667	2.084			
1.333	1.666			
1.000	1.250			
0.667	0.834			
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AP SCHOLAR AWARDS IN 2025				
AP SCHOLAR	AP SCHOLAR WITH HONOR	AP SCHOLAR WITH DISTINCTION	AP CAPSTONE DIPLOMA	
51	17	45	6	

UPPER SCHOOL CORE AND ELECTIVE COURSES

CAPSTONE

AP Capstone Research AP Capstone Seminar

FINE ARTS

Drawing I/II
Painting I/II
Ceramics I/II
Photography I/II/III
Printmaking
Art Seminar
AP Art History
Honors Art

LANGUAGE ARTS/ ENGLISH

ENG 9:

Ancient Literature HONORS ENG 9:

Ancient Literature

FNG 10:

British Literature and Composition

HONORS ENG 10:

British Literature and Composition

ENG 11:

American Literature

AP Language and Composition

ENG 12:

American History through Literature

Contemporary Literature

Debate Drama

Greek Literature

AP Literature and Composition

Media Matters Speech Yearbook

MATHEMATICS

Algebra II

Accelerated Geometry
with Functions
Accelerated Algebra II
with Pre Calculus
Calculus
Computer Science
Geometry
Intermediate Algebra
Liberal Arts Math
Pre-Calculus AB
AP Calculus BC
Multivariable Calculus
AP Statistics

MUSIC

AP Music Theory
Concert Band
Chamber Choir
Chamber Orchestra
Collaborative Piano
Concert Orchestra
Symphonic Band
Jazz Band
Prep Choir
Wind Ensemble

PHYSICAL EDUCATION

First Aid & CPR
Fitness for Girls**
Phy Ed & Health
Recreational Sports
Team Sports
Weights and Conditioning

SCIENCE

Anatomy & Physiology Biology Honors Biology

AP Biology Chemistry

AP Physics C: Mechanics AP Physics C: Electricity & Magnetism

Physics Earth Science

AP Chemistry

SOCIAL STUDIES

AP World History: Modern

Comparative World Religions Leadership Modern World History Philosophy Psychology AP Psychology United States History U.S. Economics and Politics AP Government and Politics: United States AP Human Geography AP Microeconomics AP Macroeconomics

Ancient Military History Modern Military History Teacher Cadets Classical World

WORLD LANGUAGE: LATIN

Latin I, II, III Honors Latin V Honors Latin IV

SPANISH

Spanish I, II, III Accelerated Spanish I/II Accelerated Spanish II/III Honors Spanish IV Honors Spanish V

GOLD = WEIGHTED COURSES

Honors, Advanced Placement,

Accelerated, Multivariable Calculus.

EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES

St. Croix Prep offers numerous programs to encourage camaraderie, teamwork, leadership, sportsmanship, discipline and responsibility. Nearly 77% of our students participate one or more extracurricular activity.

COMPETITIVE ATHLETICS

- Archery
- Alpine Skiing
- Baseball
- Basketball
- Dance Team
- Football
- Cross Country
- Track Girls Volleyball

Golf

Hockey

Soccer

Softball

ACTIVITIES

- A Cappella Choir National
- AV Club
- Debate
- Jazz Band
- Math League
- Music Listening
 Ski Club National Art
- Honor Society

 Student Council
- National English
 Theatre Honor Society
- Honor Society Pep Band

Girls Tennis

Girls Lacrosse

- Fine Art Society
 Prep Quarterly
 - Science Club
 - Service Club

 - Speech
 - Yearbook
- **Alpine**

Boys State Individual Qualifier - 2017, 2022, 2023.

• Girls State Individual Qualifier - 2020, 2022, 2023.

Archery

- State Champions 2011, 2012, 2013, 2014, 2015.
- National Individual Champion 2016.

Baseball

 Conference Champions - 2019 (MCAA), 2021, 2022.

Basketball

- Boys Conference Champions -2013, 2020, 2021.
- Boys Section Runner Up 2019.
- Boys Section Champions 2021.
- Girls Conference Champions -2013.

Cross Country

 State Individual Qualifiers - 2014. 2015, 2016, 2017, 2022, 2023.

Debate

- State Qualifiers 2014, 2019, 2020, 2021, 2022, 2023, 2024.
- National Qualifiers 2017, 2018,

Football

Section Runner Up - 2016.

- Boys Conference Champions -2018 (MCAA).
- Girls Conference Champions -2023.

Jazz Band

- 1st Place in Class D at 2015 Eau Claire Jazz Festival.
- + 2nd Place in 2014, 2017, 2018 and 2025 Jazz Festival.

MN Scholastic Art Awards

• Multiple Honors - Gold Key, Silver Key, Honorable Mention and the Prestigious "American Visions Award", as well as a Gold Key recipient at the National level.

Orchestra and Choir

 Superior ratings at the MSHSL Festival, and students have been accepted to the All-State Choir and All-State Orchestra.

Soccer

- Boys Conference Champions -2017, 2018, 2019 (MCAA), 2023.
- Boys Section Champions -2019, 2023.

- Girls Conference Champions -2020, 2023.
- Girls Section Champions 2023.

Softball

Conference Champions - 2019 (MCAA).

Speech

- State Qualifiers 2009, 2014, 2015. 2016, 2017, 2018, 2019, 2021, 2022, 2023.
- Speech State Qualifiers 2025
- Debate State Qualifiers 2025

Track

- Boys Conference Champions 2013, 2014, 2015.
- Boys State Individual Qualifiers 2013, 2019, 2020, 2021, 2022, 2023, 2024. 2014, 2016, 2017, 2020, 2021, 2022, 2023, 2024, 2025
 - Girls State Individual Qualifiers 2015, 2023, 2024, 2025

Vocal Music

 Superior/Gold rating at the Heritage Festival in Chicago, IL.

SERVICE HOURS FOR GRADUATION

As an emphasis upon character development, all students are required to perform 50 hours of service in order to fulfill their graduation requirements.

YEARLY PRESENTATIONS

Every student in the Upper School delivers a presentation at the end of Quarter 3. These presentations merge the St. Croix Prep mission of academics, character, leadership, with the lived experiences of our students. As a capstone project, the objective of the presentation is to highlight individual experience and growth.

EDUCATIONAL TRAVEL/ENRICHMENT

St. Croix Prep believes in the value of educational travel and is offered to all Upper School students beginning in 9th grade. Juniors and Seniors are encouraged to participate in a summer trip to Rome and Florence, Italy and/or England/Greece

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SCHOOL MISSION

St. Croix Preparatory Academy will develop each student's academic potential, personal character, and leadership qualities through an academically rigorous and content-rich educational program grounded in the classical tradition.