

# St. Croix Student Faces



## Crusader Spirit Wear

Crusader sweatshirts, sweatpants, hats, and more are available through our online store.

These items make great gifts and promote school spirit - order today!

[http://www.stcroixlutheran.org/spirit\\_wear.aspx](http://www.stcroixlutheran.org/spirit_wear.aspx)

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# ST. CROIX AROUND THE GLOBE

ST. CROIX LUTHERAN INTERNATIONAL NEWSLETTER



# News and Announcements



Above are Tammy Leyrer (left), and Sue Galler (right) international advisors at St. Croix Lutheran.

## Upcoming Dorm Activities:

**Saturday, November 30**

Volunteer Event –  
*Feed my Starving Children*

**Friday, December 6**

Holidazzle Parade

**Sunday, December 8**

Ice Skating at Rice Park

**Friday, December 13**

Japanese Restaurant

**Saturday, December 14**

Orpheum Theater –  
*Phantom of the Opera*

**Sunday, December 15**

AMC Showplace – *The Hobbit: The Desolation of Smaug* – opening weekend

What's on the Menu?  
Check the website:

[http://www.stcroixlutheran.org/dorm\\_activities.aspx](http://www.stcroixlutheran.org/dorm_activities.aspx)

## A brief introduction to the Parent Portal:

Earlier this month you may have received the instructions to login to the parent portal, where you can find information about your child's grades, assignments, attendance and conduct. (If you do not have access please email Mrs. Sue Galler, [sgaller@stcroixlutheran.org](mailto:sgaller@stcroixlutheran.org).)

1. Log in: the home page of the parent portal will have the names of your child(ren) listed on the left. Clicking on the name will get you to that student's profile.

List view displays assignments that have been entered into teacher gradebooks. There are several options to filter this display. You can also view assignments in a calendar view.

The attendance link is on the left of the student profile screen. Click this link to bring you to a calendar of daily attendance. Even though your child may be listed as present for the day, you may want to click on each day to see if they are listed as tardy or absent for particular hour of the day.

## Enrollment Fee Due March 15<sup>th</sup>

Plans for the 2014-15 school year are already underway! To hold your student's place in his or her class for the 2014-15 school year, please be sure to pay the enrollment fee (\$3100) by March 15th.

## Semester Exam Reminders

Also, please remember:

- No late arrivals are permitted on test days.
- Students may not leave school between tests.
- Students are not excused before 12:20 p.m. Wednesday and Thursday.

On Friday, students with set 8 study hall will be dismissed at 9:50 a.m. Students with set 8 exams will be dismissed at 11:00 a.m.

## Senior Picture Deadline Approaching

The deadline to submit a senior yearbook portrait is Wednesday, December 18. "Ads for Grads" orders are due Wednesday, January 31.

Portrait specifications and information can be found online at: [www.stcroixlutheran.org/files/stcroixlutheranhs/files/2013-14%20General%20Docs/Senior%20Picture%20Specs2014.pdf](http://www.stcroixlutheran.org/files/stcroixlutheranhs/files/2013-14%20General%20Docs/Senior%20Picture%20Specs2014.pdf)

## Spring Semester SAT and TOEFL Class Registration Deadlines Are Approaching!

See attached insert.

## Watch Chapel Live Online!

Devotions stream LIVE from about 9:45-10:00 a.m. CST daily.

[www.stcroixlutheran.org/chapel\\_at\\_stcroixlutheran.aspx](http://www.stcroixlutheran.org/chapel_at_stcroixlutheran.aspx)

## Connecting with St. Croix

Using modern technology, there are many wonderful ways for international parents to connect with their children as they study abroad. I hope that you have had the opportunity to email a St. Croix instructor, track your student's progress through our online grading portal, or to utilize Skype and St. Croix's great wireless for chats with your student.



In February of 2014, St. Croix will launch a new web site. This revitalized web site will be the same great web space where you can track your student's grades, but it will have a number of improved features. The site will be responsive to your mobile device and will provide a visual understanding of the campus and university preparatory programs that your son or daughter benefits from daily.

You will be able to continue to connect with St. Croix through [www.StCroixUSA.org](http://www.StCroixUSA.org) on Facebook at [www.Facebook.com/StCroixLutheran](http://www.Facebook.com/StCroixLutheran) or via video at [www.youtube.com/user/CroixCru](http://www.youtube.com/user/CroixCru). St. Croix parents, friends and alums who are excited about the new dormitory construction may connect at [www.StCroixUSA.org/Giving](http://www.StCroixUSA.org/Giving). We hope that these technologies assist you as you encourage your student in their studies at St. Croix.

### From U.S. Customs and Border Protection

Beginning this school year, students travelling on an F-1 visa must acquire their I-94 form on-line. The I-94 provides non-immigrants evidence that they have been lawfully admitted to the United States. Please go to [www.cbp.gov/I94](http://www.cbp.gov/I94) to acquire this important customs form. If you are having difficulty completing this form, please contact Mrs. Galler at [SGaller@StCroixLutheran.org](mailto:SGaller@StCroixLutheran.org).

### Crusader for a Day

St. Croix will not hold regular classes on Friday, December 6, a day where next year's freshmen class gets to experience life at St. Croix.

St. Croix's administration and faculty are encouraging all students to make this day a day of service by volunteering in their church, school, neighborhood, or community. Good universities expect that students show great citizenship by volunteering and being active in the local community.

### Football Team in State Championship!

The Class AAA state championship is Saturday, November 30 at 1:00 p.m. vs. New London-Spicer at the Metrodome. The game will be streamed online at [www.prep45.com](http://www.prep45.com).



### Upcoming Events

- Nov. 28-29 - No School - Thanksgiving Break**
- Dec. 2 - College Financial Aid Meeting - 7:00 p.m.**
- Dec. 6 - No School - Crusader for a Day**
- Dec. 7 - College Financial Aid Meeting - 7:00 p.m.**
- Dec. 12 - HS Instrumental Christmas Recital**
- Dec. 17 - Middle School Christmas Concert - 6:30 p.m.**
- Dec. 18 - HS Semester Test Day - EARLY DISMISSAL - 12:20 p.m.**
- Dec. 18 - Deadline for Senior Yearbook Photos**
- Dec. 19 - HS Semester Test Day - EARLY DISMISSAL - 12:20 p.m.**
- Dec. 20 - HS Semester Test Day - EARLY DISMISSAL - 11:00 a.m.**
- Dec. 20 - High School Christmas Concert - 7:00 p.m.**
- Dec. 22 - New Friends, 1:00 p.m.**
- Dec. 23-Jan. 3 - No School - Christmas Break**