

The Board of Education recognizes the cultural enrichment derived from welcoming non-immigrant foreign students into the educational program. Thus, the Board encourages the attendance of non-immigrant foreign students in the district's high school.

Only non-immigrant foreign students who possess a valid J-1 or F-1 visa to study in the United States will be admitted to the district's high school. The Board retains the sole discretion to deny admission to any student not meeting all the requirements set forth in this policy and regulation.

Foreign Exchange Students (J-1 Visa)

The Board encourages district participation in a foreign exchange student program. Foreign exchange students will be admitted to the district high school for a one-year academic program.

1. The district recognizes only those organizations designated as "Exchange-Visitor Programs" by the United States Information Agency, pursuant to federal regulations, as sponsoring organizations for the exchange of students. Any such organization must supply proof of designation prior to recognition.
2. No foreign exchange students subject to this policy and regulation shall be brought into the district by a foreign exchange student program unless he or she has been accepted in writing as a student by the high school Building Principal or a designee.
3. Foreign exchange students will be allowed to attend school and will be provided bus transportation to and from school free of charge. When a foreign exchange student is accepted for admission pursuant to this policy and regulation the letter of acceptance shall include a statement that tuition shall be waived for the student.
4. The district will accept no more than five foreign exchange students per school in any single school year.

The Board may terminate the approval of a foreign student program when it would be in the best interests of the district to do so.

Foreign Students with F-1 Visas

No F-1 students will be admitted into grade K-8. F-1 students may be admitted to the high school for one academic year upon the payment of tuition. The amount of tuition charged shall reflect the full, unsubsidized per capita cost of providing educational services to the student.

Immigrant Students

All school-aged immigrant children who have abandoned their residence in a foreign country and established residence in the district will be admitted to the district's schools without payment of tuition.

Ref: 8 USC §§1101(a)(15); 1184(1)
8 CFR §214.2(f)
22 CFR §§514.14; 514.25
Education Law §1709(13)

Plyler v. Doe, 457 U.S. 202 (1982)
Matter of Jones, 24 EDR 110 (1984)

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