

Admission of Foreign Exchange Students

1. Prerequisites
 - a. State department guidelines stipulate that a group-sponsored student must obtain school approval and family placement before leaving his/her home country.
 - b. Foreign students attending district schools through group-sponsored exchange programs must obtain a J-1 Visa from the U.S. Department of Immigration and Naturalization Services which they must show upon registration. Approved group-sponsored exchange programs are those designated by the United States Information Agency, Council on Standards for International Educational Travel (CSIET), and have local representation. Foreign students on a J-1 Visa are not required to pay tuition.
 - c. The student or sponsoring organization will provide all dues and fees.

2. Program Guidelines
 - a. The high school may accept a maximum of eight full-year exchange students from foreign countries. Exceptions may be made as deemed appropriate by the building administrator and approved by the superintendent or designee.
 - b. Candidates will be selected from foreign exchange programs at the discretion of the building administrator.
 - c. In addition, up to two students may be accepted at any time from short-term programs at the discretion of the building administrator.
 - d. All potential organizations or individuals will obtain approval from the high school administrators by July 1 for the coming year. Applications may not be accepted after July 1.
 - e. The high school administration reserves the right to terminate attendance if the student does not comply with the high school academic/behavioral standards that apply to that student.
 - f. A foreign student will receive a certificate of high school completion, unless his/her prescribed courses of student includes completion of requirements for a standard diploma. Counselors will review an appropriate course of study and will give a written recommendation to the student. The recommendation will specify either an honorary or standard diploma. All full-year students may participate in graduation ceremonies regardless of diploma received.