

Ontario School District 8

Code: **JECBA**
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Admission of Exchange Students

The Board recognizes the cultural benefits of foreign exchange student programs. The superintendent is authorized to accept group-sponsored exchange students on a J-I Visa into the schools on a tuition-free basis. Privately sponsored exchange students on an F-1 Visa may be admitted to district secondary schools and only upon payment of tuition as required by law.

Admission of exchange students shall be subject to the following guidelines:

1. The foreign exchange student will be at least 15, but not over 19 years of age and will possess a reasonable knowledge of the English language;
2. Applications will be screened by the principal to determine if there is an appropriate program available for the student. Application must be submitted before July 1 for consideration of enrollment;
3. Students will be considered for acceptance and enrolled on a space-available basis;
4. Students will be subject to all policies and regulations governing the conduct and behavior of resident students;
5. Students will maintain passing grades in all subjects as well as satisfactory discipline and attendance records;
6. Resident host families will complete a host family affidavit form accepting responsibility for the student and verifying that they are serving as a volunteer host family without personal profit;
7. A limit of three students per group-sponsored program may be accepted each year with a total limit of six at one time. A limit of three privately sponsored students may be accepted each year;
8. Students will be encouraged to participate in the full range of district activities/athletics provided they meet local and Oregon School Activities Association (OSAA) criteria.

END OF POLICY

Legal Reference(s):

[ORS 339.133](#)
[ORS 433.267](#)

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Illegal Immigration and Immigration Reform Act of 1996, 8 U.S.C. §§ 1101, 1221, 1252, 1224, 1363, 1367 (2006).