ADMISSION OF FOREIGN STUDENTS

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 when course scheduling can be accommodated without requiring additional staff or reducing the quality of the education program for other students.

Only non-immigrant foreign students who possess a valid J-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 from any single foreign exchange program.

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.

Non-migrant Foreign Students with F-1 Visas

No non-migrant foreign students with an F-1 visa will be admitted.

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.

<u>Cross-ref</u>: 4350, Multicultural/Global Education

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Matter of Jones, 24 EDR 110 (1984)

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