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REVISED POLICY - VOL. 26, NO. 2

FOREIGN AND FOREIGN EXCHANGE STUDENTS NONIMMIGRANT STUDENTS AND FOREIGN EXCHANGE PROGRAMS

The School-Board recognizes the positive cultural benefits to the students, staff, and the community in meeting students from other countries and in having foreign nonimmigrant students as members of the student body of this Corporation.

Nonimmigrant Students with J-1 Visas

The Board will permit the admission of foreign students who have received permission from the Corporation to attend school prior to entering the United States and foreign exchange students who are participating in student exchange programs approved by the State Board of Education and whose host family resides in this Corporation. All students in both categories, whose host family does not reside in the Corporation, shall be eligible for admission on the same basis as other nonresident students.

The number of resident or nonresident foreign exchange students shall be determined in the Superintendent Executive Director's administrative guidelines. The Board will permit the admission of nonimmigrant students with citizenship in countries other than the United States as foreign-exchange students if they are participating in a Student and Exchange Visitor Program (SEVP) that is offered in a Corporation school that has petitioned for and received status as SEVP-certified by the U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE). Further, the Board requires that foreign-exchange students be selected and sponsored by a sponsoring exchange organization that has been so designated by the U.S. Department of State.

These sponsoring exchange organizations, not the Corporation, issue certificates of eligibility for J-1 Visas to nonimmigrant students with citizenship in countries other than the United States who meet the criteria established for participation in the SEVP by Federal law and this policy.

[OPTIONAL]

Nonimmigrant Students with F-1 Visas

The Board will participate in the Exchange Visitor Program (EVP) as an organization that provides sponsorship to nonimmigrant students with citizenship in countries other than the United States. As an EVP participant, the Corporation will issue a Form DS-2099 so that the nonimmigrant student can obtain an F-1 Visa entitling him/her to attend school in the Corporation.

Participation in this program will be consistent with Federal law that requires the following:

- A. the student possess sufficient English language proficiency prior to participation;
- B. the student's participation does not exceed an academic year;
- C. the student pays to the Board the full amount of tuition prior to the commencement of the academic term of attendance;
- D. the student otherwise maintains his/her lawful temporary immigration status.

[END OF OPTIONAL - Nonimmigrant Students with F-1 Visas)

Other Nonimmigrant Students

This policy does not apply to nonimmigrant students with citizenship in countries other than the United States who are not participating in an approved Student and Exchange Visitor Program at a Corporation school () or who are not sponsored by the Corporation so they can attend a school in the Corporation as participants in the Exchange Visitor Program on a valid F-1 Visa.

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All other nonimmigrant students with citizenship in countries other than the United States who seek to enroll in the Corporation's schools are subject to State law and the Corporation's policies regarding enrollment, legal settlement and tuition.

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8 C.F.R. 214 et seq.
8 U.S.C. 1101 (Immigration Reform and Control Act)

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