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## **Purpose**

In order to provide diverse experiences to district students, the Board shall admit foreign exchange students into district schools.

## **Authority**

The Board shall accept foreign exchange students who meet the criteria established in Board policy and administrative regulations.

The Board shall accept exchange students on a J-1 Visa who reside within the district as participants in group-sponsored exchange programs approved by the Board. Exchange students on a J-1 Visa shall not be required to pay tuition.

The Board shall accept privately sponsored exchange students on an F-1 Visa for attendance only in secondary schools upon payment of tuition at the established district rate; tuition payments may not be waived. The period of attendance shall not exceed twelve (12) months.

The Board reserves the right to limit the number of foreign exchange students admitted to the schools based on space availability and qualifying criteria.

## **Delegation of Responsibility**

The Superintendent or designee shall be responsible for determining the visa status and eligibility of foreign exchange students applying for admission to district schools.

All potential organizations or individuals applying for admission shall forward the request to the Superintendent or designee by July 1 preceding the school year of attendance.

## **Guidelines**

Foreign exchange students shall comply with all enrollment and immunization requirements for students. Once admitted, all exchange students shall be subject to all Board policies, administrative regulations and rules governing all district students.[1][2]

The district shall administer the Home Language Survey to foreign exchange students enrolling in district schools. Students identified as English Learners shall be assessed and provided appropriate instruction in accordance with the district's Language Instruction Educational Program (LIEP) and Board policy.[3][4][5][6]

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| Legal | 1. Pol. 203                              |
|       | 2. Pol. 200                              |
|       | <a href="#">3. 20 U.S.C. 6801 et seq</a> |

[4. 42 U.S.C. 2000d et seq](#)

[5. 22 PA Code 11.11](#)

6. Pol. 138

[22 PA Code 4.74](#)

[8 U.S.C. 1101](#)

[22 CFR Part 62](#)