

LAMPETER-STRASBURG SCHOOL DISTRICT
Lampeter, Pennsylvania 17537

FOREIGN STUDENTS

Authority:

The Board shall accept foreign students who meet the established guidelines for admission to district schools.

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

The Board shall accept privately-sponsored foreign 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 12 months.

Delegation of Responsibility:

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

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

Guidelines:

Foreign students shall comply with all immunization requirements for students. Once admitted, all foreign students shall be subject to all district policies and regulations governing students.

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

1. Students shall be at least 17 years of age, would be participating in their senior year, and shall be sufficiently fluent in English.
2. Students may not be a graduate of their native school system.
3. Students will be considered for admittance on a space available basis, with a maximum of four foreign students to be accepted per school year.
4. Resident host families shall submit a statement accepting responsibility for the student and verifying they are serving as a volunteer host without personal profit.
5. Foreign students shall be encouraged to participate in all student activities and athletics, provided eligibility criteria are met.
6. Foreign students are normally awarded an honorary diploma.

Approved by Board of School Directors 08/06/07