

ADMISSION OF FOREIGN EXCHANGE STUDENTS

Policy Code:

4134

The board recognizes the cultural benefits of foreign student exchange programs and authorizes the schools to accept foreign exchange students under the following conditions:

1. Admission of foreign exchange students must be consistent with all state and federal rules and regulations and the requirements of the Department of Homeland Security and the U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services.
2. The student demonstrates adequate proficiency in oral and written English to perform in classes without individual instruction.
3. Foreign exchange students may be accepted in the school system when there is space available. The school system is not required or obligated to add classes to accommodate foreign exchange students.
4. The foreign exchange student will be subject to all policies and regulations governing student behavior and discipline, and will be responsible for the same costs and fees paid by Watauga County residents unless a waiver is approved.
5. Foreign exchange students shall document that they have completed all immunizations required by North Carolina law.
6. No student may be enrolled at any school without the recommendation of the principal and the approval of the superintendent.

The board also encourages its students to participate in exchange programs. A student who chooses to participate in exchange opportunities must develop a written plan concerning credits, graduation expectations, and conditions of the program. This plan should be developed with the student's parents, principal, and guidance counselor and will be placed in his or her permanent record before departure.

Legal References: G.S. 115C-36, -366, -366.1

Cross References: Immunization and Health Requirements (policy 4110), Tuition for Discretionary Admission (policy 4135), Student Behavior Policies (4300 series), Student Fees (regulation 4600-R)

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