

## FOREIGN EXCHANGE STUDENTS

Wakefield Schools will accept exchange students only when the following conditions are met:

1. All applications for attendance must be recommended by the principal and approved by the school board.
2. Pre-notification of an exchange student must be received by June 1<sup>st</sup> of the year before entrance.
3. In instances when classes are at capacity an exchange student may not replace local students,
4. Previous academic preparation must be commensurate with local students entering like instructional levels.
5. Exchange students must be capable of communicating effectively in English.
6. The Wakefield School Board reserves the right to reject any student.

### AUTHORITY

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

The Board may accept exchange students on a J-1 Visa who reside within the district as participants in group-sponsored exchange programs approved by the Board. The Board may waive tuition for these exchange students.

The Board shall accept privately sponsored exchange students on a F-1 Visa for attendance 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 school.

### 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.

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

### References:

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