

-Admission Process for International Students

Important Dates for New International Students to Xavier

March 15, 2019: Early Acceptance applications due. Our first wave of applications will be considered from this group of applicants.

May 1, 2019: Final Deadline for Applications.

Mid-year enrollment: Mid-year enrollment will only be available pending adequate room, which will be evaluated each year by November 1st.

Note: In order to increase diversity within our international student population, students accepted from any one country will be limited to seven students per grade.

Students applying for admission to Xavier High School will be considered for admission through their cooperating agency. The student's agency will set up Skype interview with the International Program Director and submit completed applications (see below) by the deadline date of May 1, 2018. Agencies, please contact Sarah Shimek (xavier.hawks12) to schedule your Skype interview (sshimek@xaviercatholicschools.org or (920)733-6632 extension 6253.

Rules and Regulations

International students applying for admission must abide by all national and international rules for visa requirements, as well as Xavier High School's admission requirements.

English Language Tests

All students coming from non-English speaking countries are required to submit a passing TOEFL Junior Standard, ELTiS or iTEP SLATE Plus score in order to be considered for admission. Students attending a one year cultural experience do have the option of taking classes for no credit.

The proficiency requirement can be satisfied by a ELTiS standard score of 233 or higher. The TOEFL Junior Standard assessment must have an overall score of at least 740: (Listening - 250 or higher, Language - 240 or higher and Reading - 250 or higher). The TOEFL score must be at least: 500 (paperscore), 173 (computer score) or 61 (iBT/Internet-based) administered by an official US agency or institution in the US or the student's home country. The requirement for the iTEP SLATE is an overall score of 4.5 or higher: (Reading: 5, Writing: 4, Listening: 4, Speaking: 4). Exceptions to this TOEFL/iTEP score requirement must be approved by Xavier administration.

English proficiency is critical to being successful at St. Francis Xavier High School!

Host Families

Agencies will assist students in finding host families. Students must have a permanent host family confirmed prior to the student's arrival in the United States. Prior to admission, the host family must complete the Virtus training program and background check, and must be willing to communicate with Xavier on matters that require parental contact.

Enrollment

Students are accepted for a term no less than one semester and no greater than four years. Mid-year enrollment is available.

Certificate of Attendance/Diploma

A certificate of attendance will be given to those who do not qualify for a diploma for their coursework. A certificate of attendance is not a diploma and does not qualify a student for college admission. International students wishing to attend only for their senior year will receive a diploma if their previous coursework qualifies them for admission as a senior. Only students that have attended school in the United States prior, will be evaluated for acceptance as a senior student at Xavier High School.

Documents Needed

In order to satisfy the requirements for issuance of the I-20, Xavier requires international students to submit the following documentation to the International Student Coordinator:

1. Copy of the student's passport and I-94
2. An English-translated copy of the student's completed transcript beginning with the eighth grade through the most current grading period. (If an international student is applying for admission and does not have the current school year completed, Xavier must receive final transcripts at the completion of the current school year in order to register for classes.)
3. A copy of the students' test scores. Exceptions to the score requirement must be approved by the Xavier administration.
4. In order to register as a student and schedule classes for the first semester, Xavier must receive full payment of tuition by June 30. The student must provide exact billing and English-speaking contact information for the person(s) who is responsible for all financial matters prior to arrival. Tuition grants are not available to international students.
5. A Skype interview is required with all new students. Students must demonstrate Proficient English skills.
6. All students are required to have proof of medical insurance at all times. It is also recommended that students purchase accident and property insurance. Host family insurance does not cover students.

The paperwork and Skype interview mentioned above must be completed before the review process will begin. If accepted, the natural parents are required to complete appropriate registration materials. Once all registration materials are submitted, reviewed, acceptance is made, and full tuition and fees are paid, Xavier will send the I-20 Form to the agency of the student. Students can expect this process of review, acceptance and I-20 issuance to take approximately four weeks.

Medical Exam for Athletic Participation

Please note that effective with the 2010-11 school year, the WIAA Board of Control requires all international students to have a physical examination conducted in the United States prior to participating in an athletic practice or competition.

Returning International Students

Returning international students must submit in writing a request of acceptance to continue their education at Xavier High School. Tuition and fees are due in full on June 30.

Xavier Apostille Practice:

St. Francis Xavier Catholic High School will no longer be processing Apostilles. Xavier High School will provide the necessary documents to the students' supporting agencies. It will then be the responsibility of the student with support from their agency and local representative to send the documents needed to the proper authorities. Please note: Host families will not be given the documents for the Apostille.

The student or agency will request in writing the documents needed from Xavier High School. These documents need to be requested in writing, by May 23, 2015, with an address to send them to. If requested past May 23, a fee of \$25.00 per transcript will be required before the documents are sent to the supporting agency.

THESE ARE THE DOCUMENTS THAT XAVIER WILL PROVIDE:

1. Notarized Transcript
 Fee: \$4.00 per transcript
2. Letter of Attendance