

## **5006**

### **Foreign Exchange Students**

For purposes of this policy, "foreign exchange student" means a student whose residence is in a foreign country and who has applied to attend Ralston Public Schools through an approved foreign exchange program.

The High School Administration will approve foreign exchange programs prior to considering and admitting foreign exchange students for the ensuing school year. The District will accept a maximum of two (2) students on a non-tuition basis from foreign nations through the District's approved foreign exchange programs, unless otherwise determined by the High School Principal and Superintendent. A foreign exchange student is not entitled to tuition-free schooling in the school district merely because they resides with a family within the district. Foreign exchange students must be at least sixteen (16) years old, but not older than nineteen (19) years old, on or by September 1st of the school year in which the student is going to enroll in the District. No foreign exchange student will be enrolled in the District until the foreign exchange student has provided the District with all records and information requested by the District.

The administration will consider the following factors when approving the enrollment of foreign exchange students:

- whether the student possesses a sufficient command of the English language;
- whether an appropriate program is available;
- whether the student meets the general admission requirements for the school; and
- such other factors as are relevant to the admission of the student.

Foreign exchange students must also comply with any health requirements imposed by state or other governing law. Foreign exchange students will not be accepted by the District after the first day of school, unless otherwise determined by the High School Principal and Superintendent. Foreign exchange students are subject to all District policies and rules.

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