

**FLORIDA STATE UNIVERSITY SCHOOLS
POLICY MANUAL
STUDENTS
CHAPTER 5.0**

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FOREIGN EXCHANGE STUDENTS

- I. The FSUS Leon School Board recognizes the positive cultural benefits to the students, staff, and the community of meeting students from other countries and having nonimmigrant students with citizenship in countries other than the United States as members of the student body of the district. A foreign exchange student may be enrolled in Florida State University Schools provided that the student:
- A. Is sponsored by a program listed with and approved by the Council on Standards for International Educational Travel (CSIET). The representatives from the approved foreign exchange student program must secure written acceptance from the Student Services department prior to placement and enrollment in FSUS Lab Leon.
 - B. Is at least fifteen (15) years or age but has not attained the age of eighteen and one-half (18 ½) years of age at the time of enrollment. Proof of age must be documented by a birth certificate or passport.
 - C. Agrees to and shall be enrolled to start attending classes no later than the first day of the first semester each year for full-year placements and the first day of the second semester each year for second-semester placements.
 - D. Shall gain legal entry into the United States with a J-1 Exchange Visa, required INS documents, and present to the District the general enrollment documents required by all students prior to the first day of each semester.

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- E. Provides an academic transcript from the home school with English translation.
- F. Provides evidence of sufficient English proficiency to function successfully in the academic level in which he/she is enrolled.
- G. Meets immunization requirements in accordance with Florida statutes.
- H. Has health, accident and liability insurance coverage that is valid in the United States.
- I. Shall agree to maintain enrollment for a minimum of one (1) semester or a complete school year [two (2) semesters].
- J. Shall agree to comply with the Code of Student Conduct or face discipline up to and including administrative withdrawal.
- II. Programs must arrange for host family placements with an American host family that resides in a county represented in our admissions policy and has been approved by the sponsoring program prior to the student leaving their home country.
- III. The foreign exchange student program must certify that financial resources are sufficient to cover all expenses for the student, including funds to cover school lunches.
- IV. Eligibility for participation in athletics shall be consistent with Florida High School Athletic Association and School Board rules.
- V. The Principal shall approve the admission of each foreign exchange student.

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STATUTORY AUTHORITY: _____ 1001.41, 1001.42, F.S.

8 C.F.R. 214 et seq., 8 U.S.C. 1101 (Immigration Reform and Control Act

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