INTERNATIONAL STUDENT FAQ'S

Does Bishop's accept international students?
Yes. However, Bishop's is not a boarding school and does not assist in finding host families for international students.

Does Bishop's work with agents or agencies to place international students in your school?
No, we do not typically work with agents or agencies seeking to enroll international students in independent schools in the U.S. The admissions office works directly with the student's parents or a legal guardian throughout the application process.

Is an international student required to live with his/her parent(s) while attending Bishop's?
We prefer that a family relocate to our area during their student's time at Bishop's. If a student plans to live with a parent, the family must provide a local San Diego address, contact information, and name of parent(s) living with the student. Bishop's is a day school, and all enrolled students must live with at least one parent or guardian while enrolled at the school. All living arrangements must be organized by the student's parents.

Does Bishop's have a special application process for international students?
No. Each applicant, whether domestic or international, must meet the same admissions criteria listed on the admissions checklist by the February 1, 2027 deadline.

Does Bishop's require the TOEFL test?
No. All applicants must have English proficiency in reading, writing, and conversation in order to participate in our academic program as we do not offer or support English as a Second Language (ESL) or English Language Learning (ELL).

What is Bishop's interview policy?
Students who submit their online application by January 1, 2027 will be guaranteed an interview. Students who apply after January 1, 2027 will be offered an interview on a space-available-basis. Families will be able schedule a Zoom interview after the online application has been submitted.

Does Bishop's issue the I-20 for International Students?
Yes. Bishop's is registered with SEVIS and is able to issue the I-20 to enrolled students seeking their F-1 Visa.

Are there additional requirements when enrolling an international student?
Yes. When an international student is offered enrollment to Bishop's there are additional documents that must be submitted by the student's parents showing they are financially able to support the student. Copies of the following documents must be submitted as it applies to the parent's or legal guardian's financial portfolio: Complete Federal Income Tax Return and Schedules, Home Country Income Tax Returns (translated), Current Pay Stubs, Bank Statements, Business Profit and Loss Statement, as well as proof of student's active health insurance. NOTE: A *student's* bank or savings account statement is *not* considered evidence that the family is able to support the student.