

Dickson County Board of Education

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1 Any foreign student is eligible for acceptance into the foreign exchange student program, provided s/he
2 is participating through any agency endorsed by the Council on Standards for International Educational
3 Travel and is sponsored by an individual or organization and has a J-1 visa. (22 CFR § 62.25) Before
4 the student is admitted to school, the exchange program representative must make written application
5 on behalf of the student in the local school serving the host family. No foreign exchange student shall
6 be brought into the United States by the sponsor unless s/he has been accepted in writing as a student
7 by the Director of Schools/designee. The following factors may be used in determining eligibility:
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- 9 1. The student will have a sufficient command of the English language to enable them to par-
10 ticipate in the general curriculum;
- 11 2. Appropriate curriculum offerings can be provided for the student; and
- 12 3. An overcrowded situation will not be further aggravated.

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14 Prior to enrolling a foreign student the following documentation is required:

- 15 1. Citizenship;
- 16 2. Birth date;
- 17 3. Health/Immigration records
- 18 4. Custody (including phone number, name and address of person responsible for the student);
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- 20 5. School records, including a transcript of academics (in English).

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23 Admission requirements and all other considerations and expectations shall be the same for foreign
24 students as for United States students. Students will be accepted only in grades 9-12. No more than five
25 (5) foreign students shall be placed in one school per semester.

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27 Students must have had acceptable academic achievement in their native countries and must have been
28 screened for maturity and ability to get the maximum benefit from an exchange program.

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30 The principal shall be responsible for assignment to the appropriate grade level.

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32 The sponsoring individual/organization shall provide evidence to the school that the student will receive
33 adequate financial support for the duration of his/her stay. Schools shall not hold fund raising events to
34 pay expenses incurred by exchange students.

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