

# PROCEDURE WSD612

## WINOOSKI SCHOOL DISTRICT

### INTERNATIONAL EXCHANGE STUDENTS

1. **Limited International Student Exchange(s):** The high school sponsors programs which offers students the opportunity to spend various amounts of time in foreign countries with the supervision of faculty. During this period of time, students may attend a school in this country while temporarily living with host families, which have students of approximately the same age and grade level. These programs are established to be learning activities for students of a world language and are intended to provide academic and cultural enrichment to the curriculum. In order to participate, students must also be in good academic standing and have demonstrated responsible character and citizenship.
2. **Standard International Student Exchange:** Occasionally, WHS students may express an interest in spending a longer period of time in an exchange. Also, several private student exchange organizations (e.g., Youth for Understanding) recruit our students to live abroad or want to place international students in South Burlington homes and subsequently in the school district. The School Board supports such exchange programs lasting a full school year under the following conditions:
  - exchange organizations must be sanctioned by the National Association of Secondary School Principals and be authorized to issue an IAP-66 form
  - the international student must carry a full academic schedule for two semesters of study
  - the international student has demonstrated scholastic and interpersonal skills with evidence of English proficiency
  - the host student and family are able to provide the emotional and daily support necessary for the international student to have a successful experience
  - international students who desire a WHS diploma at the conclusion of their experience must meet all graduation requirements and achieve a score of at least 450 on the TOEFL English Exam
  - international students hosted privately by Winooski (i.e. where placement is not arranged by an exchange organization sanctioned by the NASSP) may be issued an I-20 form provided they study full-time for a period not to exceed one year and that they reimburse the Winooski School District for the unsubsidized, per capita cost (nonresident tuition cost) of education.
3. **Application Process:** Families in Winooski who would like to host an international student are expected to request permission from the Superintendent of Schools no later than July 1, preceding the academic year in which the exchange is to take place. With the exception of the supervised "Limited International Student Exchanges, approval of exchange student placement will be limited to a full academic year experience, and no more than two international students will be accepted.
4. **Waiver of Tuition:** Waiver approval for students holding a J-1 visa shall be granted at the discretion of the School Board.

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**Host Family Application – International Student**

1. **Student Name** \_\_\_\_\_  
Family Name \_\_\_\_\_ First Name \_\_\_\_\_
2. **International Address** \_\_\_\_\_  
Street Address/Number/Apartment \_\_\_\_\_  
Postal Code and City \_\_\_\_\_ Foreign Country \_\_\_\_\_
3. **Parent Names(s)** \_\_\_\_\_
4. **International Telephone** \_\_\_\_\_
5. **Native Language** \_\_\_\_\_
6. **English Proficiency** \_\_\_\_\_ excellent \_\_\_\_\_ good \_\_\_\_\_ fair \_\_\_\_\_ poor
7. **Sponsoring Agency** \_\_\_\_\_  
Name of Exchange Organization \_\_\_\_\_ Telephone \_\_\_\_\_  
Street Address/Number/Apartment \_\_\_\_\_ City/State/Zip Code \_\_\_\_\_
8. **Agency Representative** \_\_\_\_\_  
Name of Local Agency Representative \_\_\_\_\_ Telephone \_\_\_\_\_  
Street Address/Number/Apartment \_\_\_\_\_ City/State/Zip Code \_\_\_\_\_
9. **Host Parents(s)** \_\_\_\_\_  
Parent Name(s) \_\_\_\_\_ Telephone \_\_\_\_\_  
Street Address/Number/Apartment \_\_\_\_\_ City/State/Zip Code \_\_\_\_\_
10. **Enrollment Information** \_\_\_\_\_  
South Burlington School \_\_\_\_\_ Dates of Attendance \_\_\_\_\_  
Candidate for High School Diploma? Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_
11. **Student Visa** **J-1** \_\_\_\_\_ (tuition waiver requested) **F-1** \_\_\_\_\_ (tuition payment required)
12. **Host Signature** **I have read the policy and procedures on the reverse side of this application.**  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of Host Parent

***Administrative Use Only***

Date of Application Received \_\_\_\_\_

Date of Action \_\_\_\_\_ Approved \_\_\_\_\_ Denied \_\_\_\_\_

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Sean McMannon, Superintendent