

**INTERNATIONAL STUDENT ADMISSION**

**FILE:    JFABC**

**TITLE:    International Student Admission**

**POLICY:**

- (1)    **International High School Students.** An international student not participating in a foreign exchange visitor program, but who is sponsored by a resident of Orange County, Florida and who otherwise fulfills eligibility requirements, may attend an Orange County Public School. International students who inquire about enrollment in an Orange County Public School shall be referred to the Student Enrollment Department.
  - (a)    International students who reside in a foreign country may apply for admission to Orange County Public Schools. These students shall request approval to attend school by completing the I-20 application process through the Student Enrollment Department.
  - (b)    If approved, the student shall be issued an I-20 from the Student Enrollment Department. Per International Customs Enforcement, the I-20 can be issued for one (1) year only and is non-renewable. The timeline for the I-20 application process shall be available and issued as follows:
    - (i)    during June and July for students who wish to attend the first semester; and
    - (ii)    during November and December for students who wish to attend the second semester.
  - (c)    The following shall apply to each International Student applicant:
    - (i)    The I-20 application is available for up to one (1) school year;
    - (ii)    An applicant who previously completed a high school program in a foreign country will not be considered;
    - (iii)    An applicant may not be eighteen (18) years of age before his/her first day of attendance at an Orange County Public School;
    - (iv)    Athletic eligibility is based on FHSAA rules and regulations; and
    - (v)    Educational guardianship must be obtained through the Student Enrollment Department.
  - (d)    An annual tuition fee equal to the full, unsubsidized, per capita cost of the program, payable upon time of application, shall be charged to each international student. The fee is non-refundable if the student attends at any time during a school semester.

**SPECIFIC AUTHORITY:**    Sections 1001.41 and 1006.07, Florida Statutes

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