

## INTERNATIONAL EXCHANGE STUDENTS

The Clinton Community School District reserves the right of final approval on all international exchange student placements.

Foreign Exchange Student Agencies - Agencies whose students are to be considered for admission into Clinton Community School District must have been granted a Full listing on the Council on Standards for International Educational Travel (CSIET) Advisory List.

Foreign Exchange Student Agencies must agree in writing that they understand and will adhere to the policies and regulations of the Clinton Community School District prior to July 1 (Exhibit 501.19E1).

Foreign Exchange Student Agencies must provide the Clinton Community School District with the following information prior to July 1 (Exhibit 501.19E2):

- Name, address and contact information for national and regional representatives for each foreign Exchange student agency. At least one agency representative must be located within 120 miles of Clinton and capable of responding as needed.
- The sponsoring agency must provide the following assurances and information about each student whom they wish to enroll for the subsequent school year, no later than July 1:
  1. Verification of the students' age. The student must be at least 15 years of age but not be more than 18 and a half years of age at the time of enrollment.
  2. A translated "written English language summary" of the exchange student's complete academic course work. The transcript should include the name of each class completed and a grade. The student must be an above average academic achiever as evidenced by their official transcript.
  3. A measure of the student's ability to communicate in the English language as substantiated by at least one of the following:
    - A minimum scaled score of 480 (54th percentile) on the Test of English as a Foreign Language (TOEFL).
    - A minimum raw score of 74 on the Michigan Test of English Language Proficiency.
    - A minimum scaled score of 45 (55th percentile) on the Secondary Level English Proficiency Test (SLEP).
  4. Evidence of good health and current record of immunizations.
  5. Copy of Power of Attorney Form.
  6. Evidence of medical insurance coverage - students must provide evidence of full health insurance coverage through either their family or their student exchange program acceptable in the United States and Iowa.
  7. Name and address of the host family. The host family must be a legal resident of the Clinton Community School District. A criminal background check must be completed by the Foreign Exchange Student Agency for all members of the home age 18 or older. The arrival date of the exchange students must coincide with the first day of the first semester so students can be in attendance. There will be no students added the second semester.

### Placement of Foreign Exchange Students

- Students will normally be placed at the grade level which most closely corresponds to their grade level in their home country and assigned to the senior office.

- Students will not be provided any special services such as "English as a Second Language," or tutoring, and thus, must be well enough prepared to have a successful educational experience.
- Foreign exchange students would not be eligible for placement in District alternative programs at Lincoln High School.
- If the student changes school districts or does not enter the Clinton Community School District there is no guarantee that the next student with that agency will automatically be enrolled. There will be no consideration of an alternate student, unless he/she can meet the established criteria by August 1. There will be no new students accepted the second semester of the school year.
- An honorary diploma may be awarded at the discretion of the principal.

Foreign Exchange Students Not Associated with an Agency - Any person not affiliated with a formal placement agency, who wishes to place a foreign student in our schools must satisfy the requirements detailed in this document.