



FOREIGN STUDENT
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PROCEDURE

Introduction

Foreign students who have a permanent Seattle resident as a sponsor, and who will be living with, and under the guardianship of that resident, must complete Government Form I-20, Certificate of Eligibility. If the Supervisor of Student Placement endorses the Certificate of Eligibility and sends the student's enrollment to the principal of the school, the foreign student may attend that school.

NOTE: The primary authorized signature on the I-20. Form is by the Supervisor of Student Placement. No building personnel may sign the form I-20 Certificate Of Eligibility.

Identification

The basic rules are:

1. Acceptance of a foreign student depends on these conditions:
 - a. The foreign student will live in the home of a permanent Seattle resident and will be under the guardianship of that resident. (no number limit.)
 - b. A maximum of 100 foreign students may be accepted from the following combined categories of students:
 - (1) Students who are siblings or relatives of older students who, themselves, are here on student visas.
 - (2) Students who come to Seattle on the basis of I-20 forms issued by other school districts or institutions but who subsequently ask to attend Seattle Public Schools.
 - (3) Students who are in Seattle with visitor's visas but who wish to convert to student visa status.
 - c. If a foreign student is not covered by any of the above conditions, but denial of attendance would cause extreme hardship, an I-20 form may be approved and issued by the Supervisor of Student Placement.



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2. Denial of issuance of an I-20 form will be based on these conditions:
 - a. A foreign student who asks to come to Seattle on a student visa without a host guardian.
 - b. A foreign student who has already graduated from high school, or the equivalent.
 - c. A foreign student who will attain age 21 during the year of attendance.
 - d. A foreign student who does not otherwise qualify under the provisions outlined above.