

ADMISSION OF FOREIGN EXCHANGE STUDENTS

The Board of Education encourages participation with civic or community organizations that plan and execute programs of student exchange between foreign countries and the Marathon City School District. It is felt that the district will benefit from the students' presence in class by adding dimensions of other cultures, by daily interactions between young people of different attitudes and viewpoints and the international students' special contribution in areas such as foreign language study, world literature and history classes, sports, music, theater, art and extracurricular activities.

A foreign exchange student shall become a part of the student body upon formal enrollment and shall be treated as any other student enjoying the privileges and responsibilities of attending school. The student shall be subject to the same transportation and other policies, rules of conduct and attendance requirements that apply to other students.

A foreign exchange student shall be allowed to participate in extracurricular activities and athletics available to them in the school. Eligibility requirements of the Wisconsin Interscholastic Athletic Association (WIAA), district athletic code and rules of the governing organization shall be followed.

A foreign exchange student must reside with a family that resides in the district. The local program representative or host family must provide the school with the following information concerning the student: (a) insurance (medical and accident insurance); (b) permission to participate in athletics; (c) physical examination form with required immunizations; and, (d) other information as requested.

A foreign exchange student shall be allowed to attend school tuition free. Special classroom fees, registration fees, lunch monies and special event fees or needs shall be the responsibility of the student, his/her parent/guardian or sponsor.

A foreign exchange student of senior standing may participate in the high school graduation ceremonies and receive a diploma if the high school graduation requirements are met or receive a certificate of attendance if the requirements are not met. A foreign exchange student not of senior standing shall receive a certificate of attendance upon completion of the year and shall not participate in graduation ceremonies.

LEGAL REF.: Sections 118.33 Wisconsin Statutes
 121.84(1)(c)
 PI 18, Wisconsin Administrative Code

CROSS REF.: 345.5, Graduation Requirements

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