

CVUSD Board Policy

BP 6145.6

Instruction

International Exchange

The Governing Board recognizes that personal contact between students of different countries and cultures promotes global awareness and international understanding. To that end, the Board welcomes the enrollment of international exchange students and further encourages district students to take any opportunities that they may have to participate in such programs and study in another country.

With Board approval, a district school may establish a sister-school relationship with a school in another country.

International Student Exchange Programs

Note: Government Code 12623 requires that any organization that arranges for the placement of international exchange students in California schools first be registered with the Attorney General's Office. Districts may check to see if a student placement organization is registered in California by reviewing the Registry List maintained by the Attorney General's Registry of International Student Exchange Visitor Placement Organizations. The U.S. Department of State also maintains a listing of organizations designated to administer a high school visitor exchange program.

To enroll in a district school, an international exchange student must be participating in an exchange program registered with the California Attorney General's Office, designated by the U.S. Department of State and accepted for listing on the Council for Standards for International Educational Travel's Advisory List.

When necessary because of overcrowding within district schools or limited district resources, the Superintendent or designee may limit the number of international exchange students to be accepted at any district high school during any school year.

The district shall not incur any financial obligations when sending and/or receiving international exchange students. Program sponsors shall provide assurance of their responsibility for health/accident/liability insurance, the student's home placement, and the resolution of any related personal difficulties which may arise.

The principal or designee shall refer to the student's interests when selecting the 11th grade courses in which to enroll, but will include English, United States History, and United States American Government and Politics.

(cf. 5127 - Graduation Ceremonies and Activities)
(cf. 6146.1 - High School Graduation Requirements)
(cf. 6146.3 - Reciprocity of Academic Credit)

District staff shall provide relevant counseling to district students who wish to study in a foreign country. District credit for courses successfully completed in the foreign country shall be granted in accordance with Board policy and administrative regulation.

(cf. 6146.11 - Alternative Credits Toward Graduation)

Students attending Conejo Valley Unified School District high schools on an exchange basis shall be afforded the same quality education, the same privileges, and the same responsibilities as other resident students. In addition, the international exchange program shall provide reasonable assurance to the Principal that the applying student has a good command of written and spoken English and has a responsible resident adult sponsor or guardian. The principals shall determine the number of international exchange students attending their school.

Reference CVUSD BP334.8 (8/74, 6/02)

Legal Reference:

EDUCATION CODE

35160 Authority of governing boards

35160.1 Broad authority of school districts

51225.5 Honorary diplomas; foreign exchange students

GOVERNMENT CODE

12620-12630 International Student Exchange Visitor Placement Organizations

CODE OF FEDERAL REGULATIONS, TITLE 22

62.25 Secondary school students, exchange visitor program

Management Resources:

WEB SITES

California Attorney General's Office: <http://www.caag.state.ca.us>

California Interscholastic Federation: <http://www.cifstate.org>

Council on Standards for International Educational Travel: <http://www.csiet.org>

U.S. Department of State, Bureau of Educational and Cultural Affairs: <http://exchanges.state.gov>

U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement: <http://www.ice.gov>

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