

Kingsport City Schools

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1 The Kingsport City Schools welcomes diversity in the student body, including the participation of
2 international exchange students in school system activities. In order to provide a fair and equitable
3 experience for students wishing to participate in KCS activities, the following applies to international
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- 6 • All international exchange students must participate through an agency endorsed by the Council
7 on Standards for International Educational Travel.
- 8 • International exchange students must meet Department of Homeland Security requirements for
9 participation as an international exchange student and provide health record documentation.
- 10 • Host families must reside within the Kingsport City Schools' attendance zone.
- 11 • Host families are required to provide the school system with six (6) weeks advance notice that
12 they intend to host a student who shall be attending KCS. Registration is required prior to class
13 attendance.
- 14 • Schools may limit the number of international exchange students accepted each year.
- 15 • The school shall publish the number of students who may be accepted by the end of the school
16 year for the following year's enrollment. Potential host families should contact the school to veri-
17 fy availability of enrollment as soon as possible. Extenuating circumstances may be considered by
18 the Superintendent on a case-by-case basis.
- 19 • Admission requirements and all other considerations and expectations shall be the same for inter-
20 national exchange students as for United States students. International exchange students shall not
21 be granted a diploma from Kingsport City Schools.
- 22 • Each school shall designate a faculty member to serve as a liaison between the school and ex-
23 change program agencies and host families. The liaison will also serve as the advisor for interna-
24 tional exchange students.
- 25 • School administration shall be responsible for assigning international exchange students to
26 an appropriate grade level or placement.
- 27 • At the discretion of the Superintendent, international exchange student programs that fail to
28 comply with the provisions of this policy or do not maintain good communication and coopera-
29 tion with the designated staff at the receiving school may not be allowed to place students in the
30 Kingsport City Schools in the future.

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Legal Reference:
22 CFR §514.2
Immigration and Nationality Act § 214 (3)(m)(1)

Cross Reference:
Attendance Zones 1.703
Physical Examinations and Immunizations 6.402