

SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 78 (FRASER-CASCADE)

POLICY

NO: 7027

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SUBJECT: **INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS**

The Board of Education for School District No. 78 (Fraser-Cascade) supports the attendance of international students in its school system for social, cultural and educational reasons. Where applicable, student tuition fees shall be set by Board regulation.

The Board will provide, free of charge, an educational program to students enrolled in School District No. 78 (Fraser-Cascade) schools who are:

- Citizens of Canada; or,
- Landed immigrants holding a student visa or special status granted by the Government of Canada; or,
- Legal wards of Canadian citizens, landed immigrants, the Superintendent of Child Welfare; or,
- Exchange students officially authorized by the Board of Education.

Students not included in the foregoing policy statement shall be classified as international students and may attend district schools pursuant to the Regulations.

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INTERNATIONAL STUDENT APPLICATION PROCESS

1. Applications from International Students will be accepted for enrollment in School District No. 78 (Fraser-Cascade). Normally, International Students are accepted for enrollment in September of each year.
2. Students shall apply in writing to the Superintendent of Schools or designate. Applications must include a transcript of marks, (from current school), translated into English.
3. International students must demonstrate proficiency in English sufficient to allow for academic success; if additional support in English-as-a-second language is required, these services will be provided within the available resources.
4. Students accepted for enrollment in School District No. 78 (Fraser-Cascade) may be required to write an ESL competency test at the beginning of the school year. The results of the test will assist school personnel in determining the grade placement and the support services required for the student.
5. International Students are preferably over the age of twelve (12) and enrolled in long-term programming; however, short term programs will be considered according to availability of space and potential of the program to contribute to the educational experience of all students.
6. Proof of guardianship for students eighteen (18) years of age and under shall be required.
7. The fee and refund structure for International Students will be set by the Board and reviewed periodically.
8. The Board is not responsible for travel arrangements, accommodations or any medical expenses of International Students but may make homestay arrangements in consultation with the international agent.
9. All students must have Medical Insurance. For the first 3 months, International Students will pay a fee to access the Board's medical insurance coverage. Following the first three months students will be enrolled in and pay for the Medical Services Plan (MSP) of British Columbia (B.C.). International Students are responsible for any and all medical services accessed beyond MSP.
10. All homestay applicants must provide a criminal record check for all adults resident in the home.