

BOARD POLICY 422.1

422.1 - Foreign Exchange Student Enrollment

The School District of Fort Atkinson welcomes students from foreign countries who are visiting our community under the auspices of an organization having a "Full listing" with the Council on Standards for International Educational Travel (CSIET), and provides the name of a local support person, no further than 40 miles from the city of Fort Atkinson.

The Fort Atkinson School District reserves the right to work with exchange organizations that have proved their commitment and responsiveness. All organizations shall provide continuing hands-on monitoring and responsiveness – from local representatives to national headquarters - including student selection and preparation, selection and screening of host families, ongoing contact with host family and student, and communication with the school and responsiveness to school needs. The district reserves the right to withdraw approval of a placement, at any point during the year.

Fort Atkinson High School may admit up to four (4) fulltime foreign exchange students during any school year, unless an exception is approved by the Principal of the building the child will attend, the Superintendent, and the Board of Education. Organizations sponsoring a foreign exchange student shall contact the principal of Fort Atkinson High School to make arrangements for enrollment before the foreign exchange student leaves his/her country of residence, but no later than September 1st. The district reserves the right to approve fewer than four (4) students, if it is deemed by the principal to cause a hardship on the school. Occasionally, the principal may approve attendance of additional foreign exchange students for a limited period of time.

The Exchange Program must demonstrate that the exchange student has sufficient language ability to function in a Fort Atkinson School District classroom. Exchange students are required to pay the current school registration fees and all other fees incurred by other district students.

Fort Atkinson High School shall award a Certificate of Attendance to foreign exchange students. It shall be the responsibility of the foreign exchange student and the school in his/her home country to determine how the courses taken at Fort Atkinson High School will apply toward the student's educational program at the home school.

The School District of Fort Atkinson does not discriminate against pupils on the basis of sex, race, national origin, ancestry, creed, religion, pregnancy, marital or parental status, sexual orientation or physical, mental, emotional or learning disability or handicap in its educational programs or activities.

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