

Administrative Regulation

Foreign Exchange Students: Admission Age, Supervision, Diplomas

High schools accepting foreign exchange students will do so according to the following regulations:

A. Admission Age

To be admitted as a student in a district high school, a foreign exchange student must be no older than 17 years and six months on the date of enrollment.

B. Supervision

1. Class schedule changes will be made only after permission has been granted by the exchange student's American host parents.
2. Exchange students who become 18 years of age during the school year remain under the jurisdiction of their American host parents for the entire school year.
3. Foreign exchange students shall meet all standards and requirements as regular high school students with respect to areas such as conduct and attendance.

C. Diplomas Program

Foreign exchange students who wish to earn a diploma from the Garden Grove Unified School District must meet the same requirements as regular students.

1. The student must satisfactorily meet all course requirements for the entire secondary program grade 9 through grade 12.
2. Including course credits transferred from the home country, the student must earn a minimum of 220 credits. (See Guidance Handbook, "Credit Evaluation for Foreign Exchange Student" and "9-12 Foreign Student Credit Evaluation Worksheet" form number 9802.105)
3. Only those students who have successfully met all requirements for graduation as prescribed by the Garden Grove Unified School District Board of Education may participate in graduation ceremonies.

D. Non-Diploma Program

Foreign exchange students who wish to attend a Garden Grove Unified School District high school but are not working toward a high school diploma do so under the regulations as follows:

1. The student's program of studies will be designed to provide educational opportunities which are mutually agreed upon by the student, the American host parents, and the school principal or designee.
2. The student in this program may not participate in graduation ceremonies.

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