West Linn-Wilsonville School District 3J

Code: **JECBA** Adopted: 9/10/07 Readopted: 3/07/16 Orig. Code(s): JECBA

Admission of Exchange Students

The district actively participates in programs for foreign student exchange on a tuition-free basis for grades 9-12 provided that the students involved entered the United States on a J-1 immigration status.

Foreign students who qualify for tuition-free attendance in the district must be placed through programs which meet the following criteria:

- 1. The exchange program has an orientation program in the home and/or receiving country;
- 2. Students are admitted into the program in such a way as to insure selectivity with respect to academic ability;
- 3. The exchange organization has representatives locally who can provide assistance to the host family, the school, or the student should problems arise;
- 4. The school is provided with family and school records to assist in proper placement in academic classes;
- 5. The exchange program provides opportunity for students to participate in similar study experiences abroad with a corresponding waiver of tuition;
- 6. The exchange program provides the district with objective evidence of the student's oral and written proficiency;
- 7. The number of students the school will serve through foreign exchange programs will be limited to .5 percent of the high school student body.

The district will maintain a list of programs which meet the above criteria. Parents who wish to host foreign exchange students will be referred to these programs.

Only students with a J-1 immigrant status will be accepted as foreign exchange students in the district.

END OF POLICY

Legal Reference(s):

ORS 339.133 ORS 433.267

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Illegal Immigration and Immigration Reform Act of 1996, 8 U.S.C. §§ 1101, 1221, 1252, 1324, 1363, 1367 (2006).