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Foreign Student Eligibility Checklist

Definition: A “foreign student” is a student whose Joint Residence with his/her parents is located outside of United States.

In general, unless a foreign student is eligible as an incoming ninth grader or is eligible based upon **Rule 8.6.3.(c)** “Foreign Students on CSIET Approved Programs”, the foreign student is ineligible to represent a member school for one calendar year.

Any hardship Eligibility Request Form submitted on behalf of a foreign student shall be submitted directly to the Executive Director. (**Rule 8.6.9**)

A foreign student is eligible to represent an OSAA member school when first enrolling in the school ONLY if:

- The foreign student first enrolls as an entering ninth grade student, OR
- The foreign student is attending school as a representative of a CSIET approved program AND the answer to each of the following questions is, “Yes.”
 - Is the foreign student attending school in the attendance boundary where the host family resides?
 - Does the foreign student’s age satisfy OSAA age restrictions?
 - Has the foreign student completed eleven or fewer years of education (excluding kindergarten)?
 - Is this the first time that the foreign student has attended high school in the United States?
 - Is it an accurate statement that no person affiliated with the school had any input in the placement of the foreign student at the school?
 - Is it an accurate statement that the foreign student’s host family does not include a member (paid or voluntary) of the school’s athletic coaching staff?
 - Is it an accurate statement that the foreign student was not a “direct placement” at the school? (Under OSAA Rules, a student is considered to be a “direct placement” if “...the student was placed in a specific high school and/or with a specific host family as a result of a request from the student or the student’s family.”)
 - Is it an accurate statement that the foreign student has not been terminated from the CSIET program?

If the answer to any of the above questions is, “No”, the foreign student is ineligible to represent a member school for one calendar year.