

CHANDLER HIGH SCHOOL Foreign Exchange Student Program

Thank you for your interest in the Foreign Exchange Student Program at Chandler High School. The Chandler Unified School District's policy on Foreign Exchange students is as follows:

- The number of Foreign Exchange students enrolled each year cannot exceed 1 for every 500 students at any district high school.
- Potential students must not have graduated from their respective high schools.
- The Foreign exchange student must attend the same school as the student(s) of the host family.
- High school credits/diplomas will NOT be awarded. However, foreign exchange students are permitted to attend the graduation ceremony and receive a certificate of attendance.
- Sponsoring organizations must provide evidence that each student has sufficient oral, writing, and reading proficiency in the English language.
- No financial assistance will be given to the student for class rings, activity cards, lunches, etc.

Chandler High School is committed to giving foreign exchange students the best possible experience. Please follow these steps for applying for admittance to Chandler High for your foreign exchange student:

- 1. Initial contact must go throughout Foreign Exchange liaison Tyra Ortiz. You can reach Tyra at 480-812-7741 or by email at <u>ortiz.Tyra@cusd80.com</u>.
- The organization you are using must be approved by and in the current council on standards for international travel (CSIET) list. Again, the host family must live in Chandler High's attendance boundary.
- 3. A completed application packet from your Foreign Exchange agency must be submitted to the foreign exchange liaison before a student is considered for admissions. The packet must include detailed student information including immunization records and the host families residency information. Applications are accepted up to May 15th of each school year or until spots are filled. Once the packet has been turned in, an email or letter of receipt will be sent to you confirming that we have received your application. If there are any issues with the application, or if additional information is required, we will contact you.
- 4. Once submitted, your application will be reviewed by Chandler High and by CUSD administration/district office. Since there is a limited number of students accepted in the program, applications are reviewed on a first come first serve basis starting on January 15th of each school year. There is NO guarantee that your Foreign exchange student will be accepted at Chandler High. An email or letter will be sent to you informing you of the final decision.
- 5. If you are accepted, Tyra Ortiz will contact you to inform you of the final steps of the registration process.