

## FOREIGN EXCHANGE STUDENTS

The intent of a foreign exchange program is to provide visiting students the opportunity to learn about the history of the United States, as well as the working of our government. Students should be encouraged to take an active part in the academic process and experience the social activities of the youth in Aubrey ISD. The following guidelines will apply to foreign exchange students.

1. The local representative from the various programs should contact the principal or counselor of the high school to secure approval to place the student within the school. All required documentation concerning each exchange student shall be submitted no earlier than the 1<sup>st</sup> day students report to class in the spring semester and no later than May 31<sup>st</sup> prior to the academic year of attendance. A final decision for the following year will be granted by July 15.
2. Sponsoring agencies shall meet the requirements of the council on standards for International Educational Travel.
3. The host family must enroll the exchange student. The area representative may not handle this procedure. It is the responsibility of the host family to supply a list of preferred/required courses upon enrollment.
4. The exchange student is responsible for providing the month/day/year of all immunizations. Immunization records must be in English.
5. All foreign exchange students will enroll in US History, US Government/Economics, and English 3 (American Literature) and must be enrolled in a full schedule.
6. Every foreign exchange student is encouraged to be fluent in the writing and speaking of English, but will not be denied if they have limited skills.
7. Any cost of the student records required by the foreign exchange program, or country, is the responsibility of the student.
8. The district shall administer to a Foreign Exchange student the state assessments for the grade level of the student's placement.
9. Foreign exchange students will receive no free or reduced lunch as part of the exchange program.
10. Coaches and sponsors of extracurricular activities will be responsible for obtaining and checking proper credentials for participation in each activity.
11. Per our waiver, four Foreign Exchange students will be accepted each year the waiver is in place. If a foreign exchange student is returned to his/her country or is moved to another district, no new foreign exchange student can be sent to replace the student sent home or being moved.
12. Aubrey High School is limited to five (4) foreign exchange students.
13. Foreign Exchange students are eligible to participate in graduation commencement ceremonies by successfully completing all graduation requirements set by local policy.