

SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 71 (COMOX VALLEY)

POLICY MANUAL

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BOARD REGULATION - Guiding Principles

International Student Program

1. The *School Act*, Section 2(2) requires that the Board enroll a student in an educational program in a school if he/she is of school age and resident in British Columbia. For a student who does not reside in the catchment area, the Board must determine that space is available in that school. International students are not considered ordinarily resident in the District and tuition fees will be charged to international students, except Those stated in 6003MR1 section 3 (Funding Eligibility).
2. International students may enroll for a multi-year, one-year, one semester or short term academic program (incorporating English as a Second Language as necessary). Multi-year programs normally lead to British Columbia graduation.
3. The Comox Valley International Homestay Student Program is for students from grade 6 and older. Students younger than grade 6 may enroll provided they live with an adult guardian.
4. The Comox Valley International Student Program will be designed in a way that supports sustainability and long-term viability of the program. As such, the program and each school should have representation from multiple countries and regions of the world. In the interest of retaining local identity, no school shall have more than 10% of its student population made up of fee paying international students.
5. International students will be registered in schools where space allows. In catchment students, and any local out-of-catchment students who apply before March 31, will be given priority over international students for placement in a school.