

(Formerly #5107)

The Keene Board of Education, in its efforts to broaden the academic, cultural and social opportunities at Keene High School, supports a foreign exchange student program.

Any organization or individual wishing to take advantage of foreign exchange student tuition waivers shall notify the superintendent on or before April 1 of the school year prior to the proposed attendance of the foreign student. The superintendent shall require such information as s/he deems important, and shall report all applicants for tuition benefits to the board at its April meeting. The board may, at its discretion, approve or deny any request, but shall, in most cases, authorize no more than four waivers based upon the following criteria:

1. whether or not a student, applying for a waiver, has been exchanged for a student that would otherwise be attending Keene High School;
2. the proven responsibility and record of the organization or individual sponsoring the foreign student;
3. any unusual costs that might be incurred by the district;
4. any other factor which might serve to enhance the educational mission of Keene High School.

Although the Board shall strive for diversity among those students granted tuition waivers, the Board shall not discriminate based upon sex, race, religious beliefs, national origin, or ethnicity of the student requesting a waiver.

As culmination of the Foreign Exchange Student's academic and cultural experience at Keene High School, the exchange student, with the permission of the principal, will be permitted to walk across the stage at the year end graduation ceremony and receive a certificate of attendance.

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