



# FOREIGN STUDENT TRANSFER

IDAHO HIGH SCHOOL ACTIVITIES ASSOCIATION

**Foreign Exchange Students** participating in a foreign exchange program approved by C.S.I.E.T. may participate in interscholastic athletic competition. The foreign exchange student must possess a current visa issued by the US State Department.

- a. **J-1 Visa: Student may be granted varsity eligibility for one year.**
- b. **J-1 Visa Direct Placement: Student may be granted junior varsity eligibility for one year.**  
*Direct placement is reported to the IHSAA by the NFHS.*
- c. **F-1 Visa: Student may be granted junior varsity eligibility for one year.**

**Non-Foreign Exchange International Students** who are not under the auspices of, and placed by, a CSIET-listed exchange program will be ineligible for varsity interscholastic extracurricular activities for one year from the date of initial enrollment and attendance in the new school. International students must meet the following requirements in order to be considered for interscholastic athletic/activity eligibility:

- Must file a Foreign Student Transfer Form with the IHSAA Office and be approved.**
- The student must possess a current F-1 visa, issued by the U.S. Immigration and Naturalization Service.**
- The student must provide to the principal of the school he/she attends an official un-translated transcript and a transcript that is translated into English, by an acceptable agent or agency, which indicates work taken in all grades in which the student was enrolled.**
- The international student must pay tuition to the high school he/she attends as prescribed in Section 625 of U.S. Public Law 104-208. A receipt of their paid tuition must be included in the paperwork.**
- No member of the school's coaching staff, paid or voluntary, shall/can serve as the host family unless the student is participating at the JV level or lower.**

**The international student must comply with all eligibility requirements set forth by the state high school association of which the school he/she attends is a member.**

Non-compliance with one or more of the foregoing provisions shall render the international student ineligible for interscholastic athletics at any high school that is a member of any NFHS member state high school association.

**SCHOOL** \_\_\_\_\_ **CITY** \_\_\_\_\_

**STUDENT** \_\_\_\_\_  **Male**  **Female** **BIRTHDATE** \_\_\_\_\_  
Month/Date/Year

**Name of C.S.I.E.T organization sponsoring student** (see Rule 8-9-4) \_\_\_\_\_

**Local exchange program representative monitoring student** \_\_\_\_\_

**VISA Classification** \_\_\_\_\_ (J-1) **Other** \_\_\_\_\_ (List) **VISA validity dates** \_\_\_\_\_

**School and country transferring from** \_\_\_\_\_

**Has student graduated from high school in his/her own country?**  Yes  No

**Did student pass the required number of courses last grading period?**  Yes  No

**How many years of secondary education were completed?** \_\_\_\_\_

**Family with whom student will live** \_\_\_\_\_

**Host Family Address** \_\_\_\_\_

# Student Questionnaire

(USE ADDITIONAL PAPER IF NECESSARY)

1. How did you learn about this school?  
\_\_\_\_\_
2. What is the primary reason you are enrolling in this school?  
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3. In which sport(s) and/or activities do you plan to participate in?  
\_\_\_\_\_
4. Describe any and all relationships you and/or your family have with this school.  
\_\_\_\_\_
5. Did you choose this school or were you assigned to this school?  
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6. Who assisted you in your desire to go to this school?  
\_\_\_\_\_
7. Did this person(s) receive remuneration of any kind for assisting you in your desire to attend this school?  Yes  No
8. Did you or anyone that represents you have contact with any member of the school's coaching staff prior to your enrollment at the school?  Yes  No
9. Did you participate in a "club" program in your country?  Yes  No Did any of your "club" coaches have contact with this school?  Yes  No

**TRANSFER FOR ATHLETIC PURPOSES:** The IHSAA does not recognize transfers for athletic purposes. A student who changes schools for athletic purposes will be ineligible for interscholastic extracurricular activities for one year from the date of initial enrollment and attendance in the new school.

**DEFINITION OF UNDUER INFLUENCE:** The use of influence by any person connected directly or indirectly with an IHSAA member school, to induce a student to transfer from one member school to the other, or to enter the ninth grade at a member school for athletic competition purposes, whether or not the school presently attended by the student is a member of the IHSAA. The use of undue influence (Recruiting) to secure or retain a student for competitive purposes is prohibited, shall cause the student to be declared ineligible for high school athletics for a period of up to one calendar year, and may jeopardize the standing of the high school in the Association.

### Certification of Application:

*This is to certify that the student named herein has effected the transfer of schools as indicated, that the transfer was not for participation reasons, and that no person has used undue influence in an attempt to secure this student's enrollment for purposes of activity participation. We further certify that all information herein contained is correct and understand that ineligibility may result if the information proves to be incorrect through error in statement.*

I have knowingly provided all information requested and agree to the release of all records.

\_\_\_\_\_  
**Student Signature**

\_\_\_\_\_  
**Date**

\_\_\_\_\_  
**Parent/Guardian Signature**

\_\_\_\_\_  
**Date**

*"I certify that I have reviewed and understand the Association's Foreign Student Transfer rules; that I have discussed those rules and questionnaire with the above student and with his/her parents and or host family; that I have investigated the information provided above and such additional information as I have deemed necessary; and that I believe that the student's transfer is not the result of recruiting or for any other reason in contravention of the Association's Transfer Rule or other applicable rule."*

\_\_\_\_\_  
**Administrator's Signature**

\_\_\_\_\_  
**Date**

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(MUST HAVE STAMP TO BE OFFICIAL)

Is the J-1 VISA a direct placement?

Yes  No

Approved by \_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_\_

Eligible \_\_\_\_\_

Restrictions (if applicable) \_\_\_\_\_

Ineligible \_\_\_\_\_

No Action \_\_\_\_\_