

BOARD OF EDUCATION

Cherry Hill, New Jersey

POLICY 6142.5

FOREIGN EXCHANGE STUDENT RECOGNITION

The Cherry Hill Board of Education encourages the attendance of foreign exchange students in our schools as a means of providing the students of Cherry Hill with an exchange of ideas from various cultures.

Foreign exchange students may attend the Cherry Hill Public Schools on a tuition-free basis provided they are sponsored by bona fide educational programs and agencies as described in the Mutual Education and Cultural Exchange Act (The Fulbright Exchange Act). Program designations are made by the United States Information Agency upon application from an eligible program sponsor. Exchange visitor programs for secondary school students may be sponsored by the government, educational institutions, and not-for-profit organizations.

Realizing that attendance in Cherry Hill Schools will be a unique educational experience for the exchange students, the Board of Education will recognize the exchange students for their attendance in the following manner:

1. Foreign exchange students will be permitted to participate in the high school graduation ceremony on the following conditions;
 - a. They are enrolled as seniors for the full senior year; and
 - b. They will receive a passing grade in all courses in which they are enrolled; and
 - c. They will receive based on course work already completed, or have received the equivalent of a high school diploma in their native country.

Participation will include the wearing of caps and gowns.

2. Foreign exchange students who have completed a full year of school in Cherry Hill will be recognized at a Board of Education meeting with a presentation of a certificate of attendance.
3. Foreign exchange students who have completed less than a full year of school in Cherry Hill will be given a certificate of attendance to be presented in the school at an appropriate ceremony.

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