



POLICY P.021.FIN
TITLE: ADMISSION OF FOREIGN INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS

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COMMITMENT TO INDIGENOUS RIGHTS, HUMAN RIGHTS, AND EQUITY

The Board recognizes its responsibility to ensure that this policy and associated procedures promote and protect Indigenous rights, human rights, and equity. The Board will strive to address and eliminate discrimination and structural and systemic barriers for students, staff, and community.

1.0 OBJECTIVE-RATIONALE

To provide for the admission of International Students into the Ottawa-Carleton District School Board (OCDSB).

2.0 POLICY

- 2.1 The Board shall accept ~~section 49(6)~~ International Students into its schools if space and staff are available, subject to the following conditions:
- a) the students have been referred to the Board by the Ottawa-Carleton Education Network Inc (OCENET);
 - b) the payment of tuition fees to the Board is as prescribed under the *Education Act* and appropriate Regulations.
- 2.2 Eligible International Students shall be accepted into the appropriate program where space and staff are available.
- 2.3 Where, subsequent to admission, such students require second language instruction assessment, it shall be made available to them as provided in Policy P.088.FIN: Admission of Students to Schools, and Procedure PR.601.FIN: Admission of Students to Schools ~~(please refer to section 5.11, Family Reception Centre, in PR.601.FIN).~~
- 2.4 The Board shall accept at its schools exchange students who are part of a reciprocal arrangement between a Canadian and a foreign organization concerning the interchange of school students for a period of no more than one year, without payment of tuition fees, on the understanding that such arrangements will be made through the Board's Admissions office.

3.0 APPENDICES

Appendix A: Policy Definitions

4.0 REFERENCES

The Education Act, 2003, § 49(6)

[*Immigration and Refugee Protection Act*](#) (Canada)

OCDSB [Policy P.015.GOV The Ottawa-Carleton Education Network Inc. \(OCENET\)](#)

OCDSB [Policy P.088.FIN Admission of Students to Schools](#)

OCDSB [Procedure PR.601.FIN Admission of Students to Schools](#)

APPENDIX A: POLICY DEFINITIONS

In this policy,

Board means the Board of Trustees.

District means the Ottawa-Carleton District School Board.

International Students mean ~~visitors~~ temporary residents within the meaning of the *Immigration and Refugee Protection Act* (Canada) or who are in possession of a ~~student authorization~~ study permit issued under that Act, pursuant to section 49(6) of the *Education Act* (hereinafter referred to as "section 49(6) students").