



2007-2008 IHSA Foreign Exchange Student Eligibility Request

In order to expedite your eligibility request, schools are required to have their own administrative staff complete this form. By-law references and explanations have been added to this form to assist school administrators in completing this

information.

IHSA By-law 3.034.3

Foreign Exchange Students: Foreign exchange students attending school in Illinois under the auspices of approved student exchange programs, shall be considered eligible regarding residence for a maximum period of one calendar year, commencing with the date of their enrollment and beginning attendance at an IHSA member school.

To be considered for approval, a foreign exchange program must assign students to schools by a method which insures that no student, school, or other interested party may influence the assignment for athletic or other purposes. The Board of Directors shall establish additional criteria by which it shall approve foreign exchange student programs.

Policy 4 of the 2007-2008 IHSA Handbook details that criteria for programs and students.

NOTE: THIS FORM MUST BE COMPLETED BY SCHOOL PERSONNEL, NOT THE FOREIGN EXCHANGE STUDENT. PLEASE TYPE OR PRINT.

Student's Name _____ Sponsoring Program _____

Name of School: _____ Person completing this form: _____

Schools may view a current list of approved programs at <http://www.ihsa.org/org/foreign.htm>.

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Has this program been approved for 2006-07
Yes No

Official IHSA Action

Ruling: Reason:

APPROVED Bylaw 3.034.3 Foreign Exchange

DISAPPROVED Interscholastic Athletics Only Bylaw 3.022 Passing 20 Credit Hours

(Eligible for Activities Only)

DISAPPROVED Interscholastic Athletics & Activities Bylaw 3.023 Already Graduated

Bylaw 3.051 Completed more than 8 semesters

This ruling is made in compliance with Section 1.460 of the IHSA Constitution.

Authorized IHSA Administrator Date _____

Additional Comments:

Section 1: Student Record Information

A. Personal Background

Student's full name (as it appears on Passport/birth certificate) _____

Birth Date _____ Sex: M ___ F ___

Permanent Address (in home country) _____

Parents' Address _____

City and Country _____

Telephone Number (Including Country code) _____

B. Educational Background

1. Attendance at all schools (U.S. and International) Use reverse side as necessary

	<i>Sample</i>	<i>First Secondary School</i>	<i>Second Secondary School (if any)</i>
School Name and Address	Berlin Gymnasium		
<i>City, State and Country</i>	Berlin, Germany		
<i>Telephone Number</i>	1 46932 201 2967		
<i>Headmaster/Principal</i>	Mr. Stan VanHolven		
<i>Dates of Attendance</i>	Sept 2000 – June 2003		
<i>Grades Attended</i>	9-11		

<i>Culminating year of school in home country</i>	12		
<i>Diplomas</i>	No		
<i>Who paid for this education?</i>	Parents		

2. Current school year information

Date school year begins/began at your school: _____ First date of student attendance in your school:

Last date student attended school in home country: _____ Has student graduated from high school or the equivalent? Yes _____
No _____

(By-Law 3.023)

Student enrolled in your school as: Fr. ____ So. ____ Jr. ____ Sr. _____

Total semesters of **high school** attendance anywhere, **PRIOR TO ENROLLING IN YOUR SCHOOL** (Equate to U.S. Semesters): _____
(NOTE: Contact the exchange program area representative for verification, if needed, for total U.S. semesters.) *(By-Law 3.051)*

Has student previously attended a U.S. high school? Yes _____ No _____ (If yes, give school, city, state, dates attended and reason for transfer):
Reason for transfer:

Has the student earned 20 credit hours (2 full credits) of high school work the previous semester? Yes _____ No _____
(By-Law 3.022)

Section 2: Eligibility Verification

A. Student Status

Foreign Exchange Student (A foreign exchange student is an international student who attends high school in the U.S. under the auspices of an established exchange program.)

Name of sponsoring program:

VISA classification? ___J-1 ___Other (___) Visa validity dates (Issue & Expiration)

Sample: 07/01/06 – 06/30/07

Local exchange program representative monitoring student.

Address: _____ Telephone: _____

_____ Fax: _____

Please answer the following questions regarding the steps taken by the student in becoming a part of a foreign exchange program.

- When did the student apply with the program? (Month & Year) _____
- Did the student complete any testing as a part of the application process? _____ Yes _____ No
- When? (Month & Year) _____

- When was the student notified of acceptance by the program? (Month & Year) _____
- Did the student complete any orientation prior to arrival in the United States? _____ Yes _____ No
- When ? (Month & Year) _____

- When was the student notified of their host family? (Month & Year) _____
- When did the student first have contact with the host family? (Month & Year) _____
- When did the student arrive in the United States? (Month & Year) _____

- Did the student have any post arrival orientation prior to meeting the host family? _____ Yes
_____ No
- When? (Month & Year) _____

List any other steps not mentioned above that the student completed as a part of this process.

B. Transportation to the U.S.

Please provide the itinerary for the trip: (*Travel from home country to host family including dates and all stops*)

Sample: Berlin 7/17/06 to New York 7/20/06 to Chicago 7/21/06 to Ottawa 7/21/06

Who paid for the airline flights?

Sample: parents

C. Host family information

Name of host family:

Address: _____ Telephone Number:

Relationship of host family to the student:

Relationship between any host family member and the high school and/or its athletic programs: _____

When did family apply to be a host family? _____ When were they approved?

Did an in-home interview occur? ___Yes ___No If so, please provide the date _____

Was a pre-arrival orientation held? ___Yes ___No If so, please provide the date _____

Who provided the orientation?

3. High School/College Athletics Interest/Contact

Please list anticipated sports/activities in which student may participate

A. Athletic Contacts

Has the student ever:	Yes	No	If Yes, list persons and institution they represent
Communicated with any coach or other person about athletics participation in the U.S?			
Discussed prospective athletic participation in the U.S. with any coach or other person in home country other than parents?			
Communicated with any agent, or other sports representative or consultant about athletics participation in the U.S?			
Discussed sports participation in the U.S. with any corporate representative?			

Attended any sports camp in U.S. [If yes, list]

B. Athletic Participation Data in home country (*List All Organized Competition Prior to enrolling in U.S. high school*)

Year	Name of Team/Club	Head Coach	Location	Division	Sport

C. Awards and Benefits

Has student ever:	Yes	No	If Yes, Explain
Been provided lodging by a sports team or program?			
Received money for participation in competition?			
Received merchandise or other items of benefit for participation in competition?			
Received payment of education expenses for secondary/high school from a sports team or related organization?			
Signed or orally entered any type of agreement with a team or agent or other representative for any reason?			
Competed on a team or against a team that had players who were being paid in excess of expenses of their participation?			
Agreed to provide any individuals with money in the future for assistance in the past?			

4. Foreign Exchange Student-Athlete's Affirmation

By signing below, I _____ affirm that I have completed and reviewed

(Print Student Athlete's Name)

the responses to the questionnaire above and agree that the information is correct. I understand that if

I knowingly have given false or misleading answers to these questions, I will jeopardize my eligibility for participation in interscholastic athletics.

Signed (student): _____ Date:

Signed (Host Parent): _____ Date:

School Rep Affirmation:

By signing below, I _____ affirm that I have completed and reviewed

(Official School Representative)

the responses to the questionnaire above and agree that the information is correct. I understand that if I knowingly have given false or misleading answers to these questions, I will jeopardize the eligibility for participation in interscholastic athletics of this student.

School Rep Name _____ *Date:*

School Rep Signature _____