## FOREIGN EXCHANGE STUDENTS

The Goffstown School Board encourages the exchange of students between schools of different nations subject to the limitations of enrollment in various classes.

The Board believes that this interchange of students has the capability of promoting cultural diversity and understanding. The School Board encourages students who wish to participate in an exchange program. The student must work out his/her program with the guidance department so that there will be no loss of credit.

Exchange students from outside the school district may arrange through any of several agencies, by contacting the Superintendent of schools, to study in the Goffstown Schools, providing that they are residents of Goffstown or one of the sending school districts while in attendance.

At the conclusion of the exchange, students attending Goffstown High School will be allowed to participate in the graduation ceremony. Exchange students, however, will not receive a diploma, although some form of recognition, such as a certificate of attendance may be issued.

Exchange students from the sending districts have the opportunity to be placed in the AREA schools without additional charge to the sending districts, as long as the total number of exchange students allowed by Goffstown District policies is not exceeded. All three districts shall have equal access to exchange student positions. In the event that Goffstown should waive this policy and accept additional exchange students from a sending district, the student's tuition expense shall be paid by the sending district at the full rate of tuition for that school.

Acceptance is based solely upon the application for an individual student. The allocated 5 spaces for exchange students will be filled based upon the date the application is accepted. Acceptance must be approved by Superintendent of designee subject to the limitations of the policy.

The District may decline to accept more than five such students in any one school year. In any class filled to capacity, an exchange student may not be enrolled to the exclusion of a resident student of Goffstown or any of its sending districts.

Reference: AREA Agreement adopted by Commission of Education on April 21, 2004

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