



## Cascade Christian Schools International Student Commitment Form

At Cascade Christian schools, we look for students who will support our core purpose and mission, as well as our educational philosophy. We want students to be socially, personally, academically, and spiritually prepared to impact their world. The core character traits of wisdom, integrity, excellence and dignity are avenues in which we can accomplish this goal.

As an international student studying at Cascade Christian, we expect our students to follow the below guidelines during their stay here:

1. Before coming to Cascade Christian, we ask that both student and natural parent familiarize themselves with our school, handbook, and code of ethics.
2. All international students are considered to be on a probationary status during their time of study. Cascade Christian reserves the right to terminate a student's status in our program should he/she be considered detrimental or incompatible with our school's code of conduct. Should that happen, all tuition and fees paid would be nonrefundable and the student's I-20 cancelled.
3. We expect every international student to make a concerted effort to improve their English language abilities. This means that **ONLY ENGLISH** can be spoken on campus.
4. The most adjusted students are actively involved in their host community. They participate in school, church and community events. Thus, students should not spend all their free time with other international students. You are here to have an American cultural experience in America, not a replica of your culture in America.
5. A student's acceptance into Cascade Christian does not automatically equate them to athletic eligibility. All new, incoming international students must first participate in the Junior Varsity level before being allowed to letter in a sport. This state guideline is governed by WIAA rules. The student will need to qualify for acceptance on JV team (via tryout) as well as maintain academic standards (see handbook for further information).
6. Students may not use, sell or possess alcoholic beverages, illegal drugs or controlled substances. Further, the use or possession of e-cigarettes either on campus or while attending any school sponsored event is prohibited. Corrective action will be applied accordingly (see handbook for further information).

7. Cascade Christian strives to provide a safe, godly, and civil educational environment for all students, employees, volunteers, host families and patrons. Any act of harassment, threats, intimidation or bullying shall not be tolerated.
8. Students must turn off and store all electronic communication and entertainment devices during instructional time if not being authorized in advance by their instructor. This includes cell phones being used for the purpose of translation. Devices will be confiscated if used inappropriately.
9. It is important for students and parents to understand that the standards for student conduct at Cascade Christian Schools are respect, responsibility, and relationship. These standards are life-style standards, which mean students are expected to exhibit and adhere to these standards not only at school and school events, but at all times regardless of where they are. The administration of Cascade Christian Schools reserves the right to respond to student behavior at any time in any setting by administering appropriate consequences for behavior that violates Cascade Christian standards.
10. Students must make themselves versed in the definition of academic dishonesty (as elaborated on in the parent/student handbook) and understand the consequences should it be deemed necessary.
11. Students are expected to honor their time in America by attending school regularly and develop the habit of punctuality. Also, students must make concerted effort to make academic progress. Should a student fall below a 2.33 GPA, they will be placed on academic probation. Host families may choose to limit cell phone or internet usage if they feel it is interfering with their student's academic progress.
12. Students are expected to respect the rules and regulations of their individual host homes. Some families require that internet use be in a general living area of the home. Any inappropriate viewing online (such as pornography or other questionable sites) is not tolerated, and may result in program termination.
13. The student is expected to become a member of their host family, recognizing that it is natural to be expected to participate in household chores, family events and special occasions.
14. The student is expected to honor and respect their host parents just as they would their own natural parent.
15. Should problems arise in the home or school, we ask that our student's first attempt be to discuss the problem with the members involved through discussion and prayer. Then, if necessary, ask for the assistance of their coordinator (Matthew 18:15-19 and 35).
16. Students may not depart America early for the Christmas/New Year holiday without prior permission from their local coordinator. Please do not purchase or reserve plane tickets before this authorization.