



NISKAYUNA CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT

Niskayuna High School
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What are your career plans?

Have you ever traveled to the U.S. on a J-1 or F-1 visa? _____ Yes _____ No

Explain: _____

11. Placement information

Do you have any health restrictions, physical handicaps, learning disabilities or limitations to participating in school activities that your host family should be aware of? _____ Yes _____ No

If so, please explain: _____

Do you have any allergies? _____ Yes _____ No

If so, please list the allergies below and any treatment used, including medications.

Are you able to live in a home with pets that live inside? _____ Yes _____ No

If no, list the animal and give the reason why: _____

Smoking by students is prohibited! Can you live with other people who smoke? _____ Yes _____ No

Do you practice any religion? _____ Yes _____ No

Do you wish to attend religious services? _____
_____ My own
_____ My host family's
_____ My own and host family's
_____ I will not attend

Do you have any dietary restrictions? _____ Yes _____ No

If yes, please explain: _____



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STATEMENT OF AGREEMENT

We understand and accept that the Niskayuna Central School District, in making its selections and placements, does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, sexual orientation, religion or gender. Individuals with disabilities will be accommodated to the best ability of the Niskayuna Central School District. We also understand that Niskayuna CSD will try to house all students approved, but can only accept as many students as can be accommodated. Furthermore, we understand that Niskayuna CSD will try to accommodate our preferences regarding host family placement; however, we understand that Niskayuna CSD cannot guarantee preferences. We understand that Niskayuna host families may be of any race or religious background and that we must accept the host family that Niskayuna CSD selects. We authorize the release of medical and school information to Niskayuna CSD. We do acknowledge that the information we have provided in the admission packet is complete and accurate. By signing below, the student agrees to follow the Niskayuna Code of Conduct, and any serious breach of conduct may result in program cancellation or the early return of the applicant at the expense of the student's natural family. Athletic participation or eligibility is not guaranteed by acceptance to the International Students program.

Student Signature

Date

Parent/Guardian Signature

Date



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RULES, AGREEMENT & RELEASE FORM

I, the exchange visitor, and my natural parents indicate by our signatures that we understand and agree to the following rules:

- 1 I will not drink alcoholic beverages including wine and beer during my stay in the U.S.
- 2 I will not acquire or take drugs or associate with anyone that takes illegal drugs. The penalty for breaking this rule is immediate return to my home country at my own family's expense.
- 3 I will not drive a car or motorcycle during my stay in the U.S.
- 4 I will attend school regularly and follow the rules of attendance and punctuality established by the school. I understand that I must do my best to succeed in all the classes I take and follow the rules of behavior set by me American school. Unacceptable behavior can result in students being sent home at their family's expense.
- 5 Exchange visitors are not allowed to travel outside the local area by themselves or with other teenagers. If you are not sure what constitutes your local area, ask the local exchange coordinator for clarification. Overnight travel is allowed only with your host family or with a group approved by your exchange coordinator (for example, a school field trip). If you go on an overnight trip with your host family or a school organization or club, you must notify the exchange coordinator of your plans and receive permission.
- 6 Exchange visitors are not allowed to visit their home country during their time in the U.S. with the exception of a serious medical emergency within the immediate natural family. Permission for such a trip must be obtained by the local exchange coordinator.
- 7 If a student travels outside the U.S. with the host family, he/she must always check with U.S. Immigration officials to make sure that he/she will be allowed to re-enter the U.S.
- 8 I will not hitch-hike. This is an unsafe practice.
- 9 I will not seek a job while in the U.S.
- 10 I will not smoke while in the U.S. Students who smoke cigarettes are not allowed to take part in this exchange program.
- 11 I understand that it is my responsibility to inform my host family of my plans and whereabouts. The host family must know and approve where the exchange visitor is, with whom and when the student will return home.
- 12 I understand that if I violate may local, state or federal laws while in the U.S., I will be sent back to my home country at my natural family's expense.
- 13 I will return to my home country upon completion of the exchange program at the end of the school year. I may not remain in the U.S. after this time.
- 14 Natural parents are discouraged from visiting exchange students during their stay in the U.S. If natural parents do visit, they must come at the end of the student's stay in the U.S., and the exchange coordinator must be informed in advance of their visit. Exchange visitors are not allowed to have friends from their home country visit during their time in the U.S.
- 15 If an exchange visitor has close relatives in the U.S., they must keep their contact with those relatives at the same level and type of contact as their family back home. In addition, relatives should not be involved in any situation normally handled by the exchange coordinator.
- 16 Finally, exchange visitors and natural parents must respect all decisions made by the exchange coordinator of the program. I understand that I am responsible to follow all the rules of the program, and that violating any of those rules may result in early return to my home country at my natural family's expense and without refund of program fees.



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In addition, the exchange visitor and the visitor's natural parents/guardians acknowledge the following and release the exchange school and the student's host family, as follows:

- 1 Student's personal property. The student's personal property is not the responsibility of the exchange school or the host family. Any lost or stolen property of the student that is not covered by an insurance policy is the responsibility of the student and the student's natural parents/guardians. Exchange students must establish a bank account that is separate from that of their host family.
- 2 Insurance. Any medical expenses or lost/stolen or damaged property not covered by the exchange student's insurance is the responsibility of the natural parents or legal guardians of the student.

Signature of Student

Date

Signature of Parent

Date