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International Student Information and Application

Dear Prospective Student:

We are pleased that you are considering enrollment at Horizons School. We are a college preparatory school, but quite different in our methods from many other schools. Please carefully study the information presented on our website:
www.horizonsschool.com

There are many regulations which are confusing and complex related to coming to the United States to be a student. Check the following websites for the most up to date student visa information:

United States Citizen and Immigration Services website (<http://www.uscis.gov>)

United States Department of State website

(http://travel.state.gov/visa/temp/types/types_1268.html)

What is a Form I-20?

The I-20 is a government form which assures the U.S. Government that you are qualified, by Horizons School, F-1 Visa student status: 1.) you are expected to be a full time student; 2.) you have been accepted for admission to Horizons School; 3.) you have proved to Horizons School that you have enough money to live and study in the U.S. without working illegally or suffering from poverty.

What is the F-1 Visa interview?

Once you have the I-20 form you must schedule an appointment for an interview with the U.S. Embassy or consulate in your country. At this interview, in your own language, you will prove that the personal and financial information given to us is true and you will present a case for why you will return to your country when you finish your education in the U.S. The Embassy then gives you an F-1 Visa (D/S) to enter the U.S. and stay for the duration of your study.

Getting your I-20

You must be a *bona fide* full-time student. You must prove to us that you can support your annual costs of living and studying in the U.S. for each year of your program.

You can not expect to work in the U.S. to support your annual costs.

Carefully review the annual expenses at Horizons School on the Financial Support section of this application. This is the amount you must prove you can pay each year you will study at Horizons School. These are modest average expenses and not negotiable.

We strongly recommend that you budget at least 10% more. Plan for a 10% increase for every year you will study at Horizons.

Sources of Support: Your financial support may come from any combination of sources in the U.S. or abroad. You may have as many sponsors (parents, relatives, friends, organizations) as you need. Sponsors may provide cash or free room and board, if you live with them. It is important to show that some of your support comes from your home country. Your sponsor should promise only the amount that he/she is able to give. Unrealistic portions of the documented income may not be accepted. These affidavits must be notarized.

Preparing for your F-1 Visa Interview

Your visa cannot be issued more than 4 months before the program start date. You may not arrive in the U.S. more than a month in advance of the program start date. Do not enter the U.S. on a "B" visa.

The best way to be able to get your visa on the first try is to prepare carefully for your interview. Assemble the papers and organize your presentation. Be open and honest with the interviewer. Be able to answer briefly and clearly why you want to study in the U.S. What kind of job in your country, will your study in the U.S. prepare you for? Do not discuss working in the U.S. The F-1 Visa does not allow you to work. Only internships and campus work are allowed. You must study full-time and be able to pay for your education. Practice presenting compelling ties to your home country: clear evidence that you will return home after your education. You must prove that you will return to your own country after your education in the U.S. Show proof that have traveled to the U.S. before and returned; show a list of relatives and their addresses in your country; show family ownership of a home, car, bank account, business, or other things which would cause you to return after your study; and show that you have a good job, sweetheart, or good life waiting for you in your home country.

You may reapply up to three times in one year, if you have new information to add.

We look forward to seeing you in Atlanta!

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International Student Application

Part I. Personal Information

Please attach a copy of your passport.

Family Name _____
as it appears in your passport

Given Name _____
as it appears in your passport

Country of Birth _____

Country of Residence _____

Country of Citizenship _____

Date of Birth: (month) _____ (day) _____ (year) _____

Gender: Male _____ Female _____ Married: _____ Single: _____

Planned Enrollment Date _____

Expected Graduation Year from High School _____

Enrollment in the Day Program _____ or Boarding Program _____ Grade _____

Parent Name _____

Foreign Address: _____

City _____

State/Province _____

Postal Code _____

Country _____

Home telephone _____

Fax _____

Parent Email _____

Student Email _____

Student Telephone _____

Atlanta or U.S. contact (if any) name: _____

Address _____

Telephone _____

Email _____

Is there an agent involved? (not required) _____ If so, is the commission to be paid by: Student/Parent _____ School _____
Agency Name _____
Agency Email _____
Agency Telephone _____

Where is the acceptance letter and I-20 to be sent?

Name _____
Number and Street (no P.O. Box) _____
City _____
State/Province _____
Postal Code _____
Country _____
Hold at Horizons School for pick up by _____

If you have been going to school in the U.S., answer these questions:

Are you currently in the U.S.? _____ If so, what is your Immigration status? _____
Have you been attending school in the U.S. recently? _____ If so, you will need to email us at: horizonsschool@horizonsschool.com to determine how to proceed.

Application Completion Checklist

____ Passport Copy
____ Transcript or Academic Records
____ English Test Scores (SLEP, TOEFL or Other) if Available
____ Financial Support Documents
____ Application
____ Application Fee (\$250 US)

An application fee of U.S. \$250 is due with this form. You may send a money order or pay by credit card. Information on payment methods is available on our website: www.horizonsschool.com

Part II. Financial Support

In filling out the I-20 form, Horizons School reports to the U.S. government that, to the best of our knowledge, you will be able to support yourself financially while engaged in full-time study. Your statements in this section become the basis of part of your Embassy interview for the F-1 Visa.

Typical Annual Expenses at Horizons School

Tuition (room, board)	\$26,500
Personal Items	1,500
Supplies, Trips & Fess	1,500
Local Transportation	500
Total	\$30,000

Sources of Support

Personal Funds (your savings divided by number of years in our program)

Funds from Horizons School (each year) _____

Cash Funds from a Sponsor (each year) _____

Cash Funds from a second Sponsor (each year) _____

Cash Funds from a third Sponsor (each year) _____

Free Room and Board from a Sponsor with whom you will live (per year)

Total amount available each year (Should be more than \$25,000) _____

Required Support Document Check List

Personal funds, if any Financial Sponsor's Documents**

_____ Bank Statement* _____ Affidavit of Support*

_____ Proof of Income* _____ Proof of Income*

_____ Bank Statement*

Free Room and Board Sponsor's Documents, if any

_____ Affidavit of Support

_____ Proof of Income

_____ Proof of Residence* (lease, utility bills)

*Documents sent to Horizons School should be photo copies. Originals should be taken to the Embassy F-1 interview. English translations are required for all documents and documents should be no older than two months at the time of your interview. All funds should be in U.S. Dollars.

**Some funds should come from your home country.

Horizons School does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, creed, national origin, sex, sexual preference or physical handicap.

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