

Thank you for your interest in the Asheville Christian Academy International Student Program. This document will guide you through the steps of the admissions process. Please read fully and make sure you are able to complete all the required steps before beginning. The whole process can take several months to complete, so please be sure to begin the process no later than April. The deadline for applying is June 1 for the following school year that begins in August.

1 Apply Online



The student may complete an online application :

- Online Form: Create an Account, Verify Email (will take at least 5 minutes), Sign in and Create New Student Application, Select "International Student," Complete Application

To submit an initial application, a non-refundable USD \$250 application fee must also be submitted. This may be paid by wire transfer or a working credit card. See payment instructions within application.

Once a student's application is received, Asheville Christian Admissions will review the application and then contact the student for the next steps in continuing the admissions process.

2 Academic Documentation and Forms



Once the initial application and application fee have been received by the school, the student will be contacted with instructions on providing supplemental documentation for academic qualification and evaluation. The following are required:

1. Official Academic Transcripts from the current and previous year, translated into English and evaluated for credit. Click [HERE](#) for our policy and approved organizations regarding transcript evaluation.
2. English Proficiency Test Scores (TOEFL or iTEP SLATE Plus), unless prior studies have been completed in English.
3. Teacher Recommendations (3 references: Math teacher, English teacher, and one teacher of your choice)

3 Video Interview



After completing Steps 1 and 2, a live video interview will be scheduled with the student applicant and the international admissions team. This allows the school and the student to better get to know one another.

The student's parents should also be available to meet our staff and talk after the student has interviewed. The interview will last between 45-60 minutes. No advance preparation is necessary.

4 Additional Documentation



The following documentation must be on file in order to be eligible for a final admission decision. This may be submitted at any point prior to the Admission Decision (Step 5).

1. Copy of Passport
2. Copy of Birth Certificate (if applicable)
3. Immunization Records
4. Recent Health Records
5. All students must also have a Sponsor Statement of Financial Support on file in order for the school to issue an I-20 form.

The admissions office will provide any additional forms that need to be completed at this time.

5 Admissions Review and Decision



Once the video chat interview has concluded and we have received all additional documentation from Step 4, an admissions decision will be made within 7 business days of the receipt of all documentation. The student and family will be contacted within that timeframe with the admissions decision.

Upon acceptance, the student will receive:

- An official acceptance letter
- An enrollment contract
- An I-20 form, mailed to the student's home address
- Information and next steps on a host home

6 Commit to Asheville Christian



After acceptance to Asheville Christian, the student and family must complete the following in order to guarantee a spot in the program:

1. Enrollment Contract: Upon acceptance to Asheville Christian, the student's family must sign and return the enrollment contract within two weeks.
2. USD \$1,000 student deposit must be submitted within the same two-week period. This may be paid by wire transfer or credit card.
3. Obtain F-1 Visa by scheduling an appointment with US Embassy to begin F-1 Visa process (this process can take several weeks).

7 Make Final Payment



Any remaining balance for the full school year is due by June 1 or within 10 calendar days of successfully being approved through the F-1 Student Visa appointment. The full cost of tuition and board for international students is USD \$27,862*. The student's family and/or a sponsor is expected to be responsible for the full amount.

*Additional fees may be required. See full explanation of fees [HERE](#).

Final steps may be found on the next page.

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Submit Travel Details



The student's family should purchase airline flights to Asheville Regional Airport (Asheville, NC) and inform the International Admissions Coordinator of the student's travel plans. School starts in mid-August. We encourage new students to plan on arriving in NC by August 10 in order to become acclimated and attend orientation prior to the start of school.

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Course Schedule and Host Family Assignment



The student will work closely with the International Program Coordinator and College Guidance Counselor to determine a course of classes. The student will also receive the following:

- Summer homework packet designed by ELL staff
- Parent-Student Handbook
- Student Calendar
- Dress Code information
- Technology requirements and other related information.

Information on a Host Family will also be conveyed at this time. A thorough evaluation process is completed to match international students with the best match in a host family.

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Begin at Asheville Christian!



International students are expected to arrive in Asheville, NC in mid-August, approximately one week prior to the start of classes. They will attend a student orientation, tour the campus facilities, and meet their teachers before the start of the school year. Host families and the International Program Coordinator will organize airport pick-up to welcome each student.

READY TO APPLY?

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