Foreign Exchange Student Information Form

- At the time of admission to Amador County Public Schools, the exchange student must be at least 15 years old but not older than 18 years of age. Exchange students are expected to be more academically prepared, capable/independent, and mature. Exchange students who meet this criteria are more likely to be successful both academically and socially.

***English Proficiency in writing, reading and conversation is necessary for a safe and successful experience.***

- All foreign exchange students will be required to submit, along with their application, results of the ELTiS Exam (English Language Test for International Students), administered prior to enrollment by the foreign exchange organization. Alternate exams measuring English proficiency may be approved by the Superintendent. **Students must score a minimum of 220 on the ELTiS for acceptance.**

- Students shall be considered for acceptance and enrolled on a space available basis, subject to class sizes. Students will be required to enroll in English 11 or English 12, US History and US Government. Additionally, students shall enroll in a full schedule (8 courses) and maintain passing grades in all subject areas as well as satisfactory discipline and attendance records.

- Foreign exchange students will be considered 11th or 12th grade students, but are not eligible to receive a California High School diploma.

Before a foreign exchange student is considered for admission, the following must be submitted to the school office in which they desire to attend:

*Amador County Unified School District Foreign Exchange Application
*Host Family Information form
*Official school transcript from his/her country
*Immunization record
*Proof of English proficiency

***Application forms must be completed in full by the exchange program by May 15th.***

Foreign exchange students will be accepted based on the following criteria:

- Screening for solid academic background and English proficiency.
- Considering success of past foreign exchange organizations and host families, including the support those programs provided to the exchange student, host family and the school.

Admissions decisions will be released to agencies by June 1.