

BYLAW 4-6-2 – Exception 12



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**REQUEST FOR ELIGIBILITY FOR US CITIZEN WHOSE PARENTS
ARE NON-RESIDENTS AND NON-US CITIZENS
BYLAW 4-6-2 EXCEPTION 12**

Exception 12 of Residence Bylaw 4-6-2 permits a student who is a United States citizen, and whose parents (biological or adoptive) are non-citizens living outside the United States or any of its territories, to be eligible for interscholastic athletics subject to the restrictions and conditions stipulated below:

- a. **The student may be eligible for a maximum of one school year, which is the first year of enrollment at the Ohio member school.**
- b. The student has not previously participated in any other visitor exchange program in Ohio or any other state within the United States or any of its territories or attended any other high school in the United States or any of its territories. The period of participation in another visitor exchange program or the period of attendance at another high school in the United States or any of its territories shall count against the one-year maximum eligibility set forth in (a) above.
- c. There shall be no evidence of a direct placement for athletic purposes into a specific member school in Ohio.
- d. The member school at which the student wishes to be declared eligible for interscholastic athletic participation must submit the appropriate form(s) to the Executive Director's office, and the student and school must cooperate with the Executive Director's office in determining that all other requirements for eligibility have been satisfied, including the scholarship, transfer, semester and age requirements.

Note: Because of his/her citizenship status, the student may travel freely back and forth between the United States or any of its territories and the home country with the proper U. S. passport. Thus, a student could have attended high school in the United States or any of its territories previously without being part of any International Exchange Program. It is the responsibility of the school administration to verify that the student in these circumstances meets all the requirements of eligibility expressed above and verified on this form.

Please be advised that students who transfer into an Ohio high school under this residence exception must also adhere to an exception to the transfer bylaw 4-7-2 if they participated in an interscholastic sport(s) in the 12 months immediately preceding the transfer. If the student does not meet a transfer exception and has participated in one or more sports, the student will be eligible, insofar as transfer, immediately and through the first 50% of the maximum allowable varsity regular season contests. The student will become INELIGIBLE at all levels at the start of the second 50% of the maximum allowable varsity regular season contests and including the OHSAA tournament in those sports in which the student participated in the 12 months immediately preceding the transfer.

To be completed by the SCHOOL PRINCIPAL/DESIGNEE (not the host parent or relative)

1. Name of School _____
2. Address/City/Zip _____
3. Name of Student _____
4. Student's Home Country _____
5. Student is a US citizen YES NO
(Circle)

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6. Has student previously graduated from his/her home high school? YES NO
(Refer to Bylaw 4-3-5) (Circle)
7. Has student previously completed eight semesters of high school? YES NO
(Refer to Bylaw 4-3-3) (Circle)
8. Student's Date of Birth _____
9. Is the student scholastically eligible? YES NO
(Circle)
10. Has the student attended another high school either in Ohio or in another state in the United States or any of its territories? YES NO
(Circle)
11. Is there any evidence of direct placement for athletic purposes into your school? YES NO
(Circle)

I hereby acknowledge that the responses on this form are accurate and correct, to the best of my knowledge.

Signature of Principal/Designee

Name (please print)

Email address

To be completed by the STUDENT (The penalty for participation as an ineligible student is forfeiture of all contests in which you participated.)

1. Are you considered a high school graduate in your home country? YES NO
(Circle)
2. Have you completed what would be considered eight semesters of high school as of the date of this request? YES NO
(Circle)
3. Have you previously participated in an academic year or semester secondary student exchange program in the United States? YES NO
(Circle)
4. Have you received money or remuneration for competing in the sport for which you are requesting eligibility? YES NO
(Circle)

Student Signature

Name (please print)

PLEASE PERMIT AMPLE TIME FOR REVIEW.

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Student Approved

Student Disapproved

Date of Approval

Until

Date

NOTE: STUDENT IS ELIGIBLE FOR A MAXIMUM OF ONE SCHOOL YEAR.

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