

Section 8000 – Students

8920 Foreign Exchange Students

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The Grand Rapids Board of Education recognizes the educational value of intercultural experiences between young people of different countries and the U.S. The Board does not sponsor student foreign exchange programs as such. Subject to the approval of the Superintendent, however, the District may approve or deny tuition-free classroom experiences in the secondary schools for exchange students sponsored by approved exchange programs.

It is understood that approval signifies only the District's involvement in the educational aspects of the exchange (to provide tuition-free classroom experiences for participants). The Board assumes no responsibility, liability, or control over any other aspects (travel, living accommodations, funding, insurances, etc.). Such arrangements will remain the responsibility of the sponsor. The Superintendent, however, will require certain background information from sponsors before approving tuition-free classroom experiences.

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