

# International Student Requirements – 2023/2024

International Students are defined as long term students (one academic year minimum) attending the school with the same educational expectations as Alberta students, but are not legally defined residents of Alberta and do not qualify for Alberta Education Grants.

The Calgary Waldorf School can accommodate a limited number of International Students with preference given to students commencing at the beginning of the school year, in September. If you are applying for a January or February start date we may not be able to confirm space availability until after October 1<sup>st</sup>.

## **Documents Required (must accompany application)**

- Copy of Passport or Birth Certificate
- Translated reports from the current school year
- Letter of reference from current school indicating student's English Language ability, behaviour and academic standing
- Letter indicating the desired length of attendance

## **Documents required prior to attending school**

- Copy of valid Study Permit (required prior to attending classes)
- Completed Enrolment Package (Payment schedule, Emergency Medical Forms, Emergency Contact Information etc.)

## **Financial/ Fundraising Obligations**

- Current Tuition and other fees as detailed in the *Enrolment Information* plus \$6,400.00 per student as International Student Fee. This fee is a non-refundable flat fee payable for the full school year and will not be prorated for less than full school year enrolments
- Sibling discounts are applied to the student's family not host family (i.e. to receive the sibling discount the children must be siblings with the same parents not children with the same host or guardian.)
- Family Initiation Fee of \$1,500 paid in full per student family (not host family)
- Preference is given to full school year enrolments
- Fundraising Obligations: 1 family obligation per host/guardian family

## **Student Reports/Testing**

- Students will receive written student progress reports and participate in testing consistent with all other students in the class

## **Considerations Prior to Accepting Students**

- Available space in the class
- Number of students currently in the class with additional learning needs
- Student's academic achievement
- Student's current English Language ability and parent's collaboration for organizing English Language tutoring outside of school.
- The Calgary Waldorf School does not offer ESL/EAL as a part of its program
- Understanding of Waldorf Education
- A letter of acceptance will be issued once the student has been accepted into the program.

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### **Guidelines/Conditions for Accepting International/ESL/EAL Students**

- If the parent's/guardian's English language communication is limited, the parent/guardian must provide teachers with an English speaking adult to act as contact person/interpreter who is readily available to discuss and translate teacher communications with the parent/guardian.
- The parents/guardians are required to contract regular ESL/EAL tutoring for the student outside of school time if the student has limited proficiency in the English language or if their command of the English language is considered by the class teacher to be a barrier to learning /communicating in the class. The school will consider providing space in the school for the ESL/EAL tutoring when available. Payment is the responsibility of the parents/guardians.
- International/ESL/EAL students may be required to receive extra academic tutoring outside of school hours if requested by the class teacher. Payment for extra tutoring will be the responsibility of the parents.