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Thank you for your interest in the Chino Valley Unified School District (CVUSD) International Student Program. CVUSD accepts applications from international students applying for grades 9, 10, 11 or 12 for a one-year public high school experience. We do not consider applications for repeat grades or mid-year transfers.

The International Student Program supports a global relationship with the use of the I-20 form needed for the F-1 visa.

Approximately 30,000 students attend CVUSD schools from pre-K through grade 12. CVUSD has twenty elementary schools, five junior high schools, one continuation high school, two K-8 schools and four comprehensive high schools. The Independent Study program offers home-based K-8 and 9-12 virtual approaches to education, and/or a nontraditional brick and mortar model.

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## Frequently Asked Questions

### Who can study in CVUSD?

CVUSD will accept students under F-1 status at the high school level, grades 9-12. Students must be under the age of 18 on the first day of attendance. F-1 students must not have graduated from a high school program or the equivalent. CVUSD is unable to accommodate special education or students with special medical or educational requirements as F-1 students. F-1 students are prohibited from attending public schools for grades K-8 and publicly funded adult education programs in the U.S.

### Do Green Card holders need an F-1 visa?

Applicants who hold a Green Card are not considered International students. Please follow the domestic registration processes at the student's home school.

### Can current B-1/B-2 visa holders enroll in public school?

No, regulations specifically prohibit study in the U.S. while in B-1/B-2 status. The B-1/B-2 visa is issued to a legal foreign visitor having residence in a foreign country which he/she has no intention of abandoning and who is visiting the U.S. temporarily for business or pleasure.

### How long can a student study in CVUSD?

F-1 students can study in CVUSD for one year or two semesters. Student attendance cannot exceed a total of 12 months.

### What is the process for submitting an application?

The application and procedure is posted on our program website: <http://www.chino.k12.ca.us/Page/3885>. It is updated on a yearly basis.

### How long does it take for an application to get approved?

The full application and all supporting documents must be submitted prior to final approval. Incomplete applications will delay the review process. Falsification of information may result in the rescinding of admission to the program and termination of the I-20 form.

### How will I be notified if my application is approved?

Students will receive a program acceptance letter via email. The student, caregiver or agency representative will be provided with the original I-20 form and receipt for tuition payment.

### How can I find a homestay?

Parents or the agency representative are responsible for securing suitable living arrangements for the student. Homestay accommodations and caregivers are not provided by CVUSD. The District cannot make suggestions regarding living arrangements.



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## INTERNATIONAL STUDENT PROGRAM





## Welcome

The mission of the CVUSD International Student Program is to embrace the culture of all students and provide an opportunity for international students to experience the American culture. The CVUSD F-1 visa program has been in existence since 2010. F-1 students can earn credits toward high school graduation or possibly earn a high school diploma. As the Director of the program it is my goal to grow the program to its fullest capacity. In addition to the F-1 visa program, we offer a summer and winter B-2 visa program. The goal with the B-2 visa program is to partner with agencies to help CVUSD grow our F-1 visa program. This is a mutually Beneficial relationship to help both entities flourish.

Preston R. Carr, Ed. D.  
Director

## Our High Schools

CVUSD has been authorized by the U.S. Government to issue I-20 forms for our comprehensive high schools. It is the District's goal to host up to 200 students in the International Program. Space is limited at each campus. Please visit each high school's website to learn more about the many programs offered at each site.

### Chino High School

<http://www.chino.k12.ca.us/Domain/37>

### Don Antonio Lugo High School

<http://www.chino.k12.ca.us/Domain/39>

### \*Ruben S. Ayala High School

<http://www.chino.k12.ca.us/Domain/40>

### \*Chino Hills High School

<http://www.chino.k12.ca.us/Domain/38>

\*Subject to GPA, course requirements, English language fluency and space availability

## Dates & Process

1. Download the 2023-2024 application beginning in January 2023 on the program website.
2. Complete the application and submit to the CVUSD International Program Office with all required documents and application fee.
3. Preferred deadline is April 30, 2023. To allow ample time for students to obtain a visa, it is recommended to submit all items as early as possible.
4. Interview online or in-person.
5. Letter of Acceptance will be issued.
6. Submit tuition payment.
7. Form I-20 issued via email to student.
8. Enrollment into Chino Valley Unified School District.

## Tuition & Fees

- Nonrefundable application fee \$350
- Tuition one school year \$15,000
- I-901 SEVIS fee \$350
- Estimated 10-month cost of living \$15,000



## Comprehensive Program

- F-1 students are strongly encouraged to join fall/winter/spring sports, cheerleading, band, choir, theatre, leadership, and an array of clubs.
- All F-1 students have access to a high school counselor who will assist with academic planning, including college applications.
- F-1 students who attend their 12th grade year (4th year of high school) have the opportunity to earn an American high school diploma.



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