Canyons School District
Department of Planning and Enrollment

Short-Term Culture & Language Exchange Program

Purpose:

The purpose of the Culture and Language Exchange Program is to provide a language and cultural exchange experience between students participating in Canyons School District’s Dual Immersion and Foreign Language programs, and students from foreign countries speaking corresponding languages.

Guidelines:

• Schools must submit a written request to the Department of Planning and Enrollment for approval to participate in the program. The request should respond to the guidelines listed herein.
• The Culture and Language Exchange Program is to be coordinated and monitored by the principal at each school where it has been approved.
• A student exchange request will only be approved at schools where the dual immersion or foreign language program and the language spoken by the foreign students are the same.
• There must be an identifiable educational benefit for students in the Canyons School District as well as the visiting foreign students.
• Canyons School District students participating in the program must currently be enrolled in a Dual Immersion or Foreign Language program.
• Foreign students must be willing to comply with all district and school policies, including drug and alcohol, dress code, and computer usage policies (Policy 500.2—Student Conduct and Discipline).
• Foreign students are to be matched with a Canyons School District student currently enrolled in a Dual Immersion or foreign language program corresponding to the language spoken by the foreign student.
• Parent/guardian permission will be required for all Canyons School District student participants.
• Foreign students must provide:
  o Appropriate Visa documentation (i.e. Tourist visa)
  o Proof of insurance
  o Their travel arrangements to Utah
  o Their transportation while in Utah
  o Their accommodations (Schools are not to be involved in making arrangements for accommodations for visiting students.)
  o Their own meals. (They may purchase meals at school while visiting the school accompanied by an enrolled student.)
• Foreign students may accompany a Canyons School District student to their classes during the day under the direction of the principal.
• Foreign students may attend extra-curricular activities before or after school that are regularly attended by the public at their own expense.