



International Student Application Procedures

Sarasota Christian School welcomes students from all over the world to be a part of our community. Our international program provides students with a Christ-centered education that emphasizes academic success, English proficiency, and college readiness. Basic ESOL (English for Students of Other Languages) is included in the international student tuition. It includes student progress monitoring and up to one class period per day five days a week.

A well-qualified international applicant has a strong academic record and sufficient English language proficiency to thrive in our classrooms. An interview (in person or online via Skype) is part of the application process. Once all documents are received and the student has been accepted, an I-20 can be issued for the student.

The following items are required in order for a student to be issued an I-20:

Application – The student must complete the Sarasota Christian School application (either online or paper) and pay the application fee (\$200).

Passport – Please provide a copy of the student’s current passport.

Transcript and Academic Documents - Please provide the two most recent years of grade reports translated into English.

References – Please provide references from an English teacher and an additional adult using the enclosed reference forms.

Proof of Funding – Please provide proof of funding showing how will the student’s education in the United States be funded. If funding is provided from the student’s personal funds, the family needs to provide proof of income. The following are acceptable as proof of funding:

- Income tax returns/receipts, or letter of employment with most recent pay stub
- Pay stubs for the past 6 months
- Bank statements for the last 6 months showing regular deposits
- Documentation of investments
- If paid by business, provide business registration and/or licenses along with any of the above

Interview – Once the application is received, the student will be contacted to arrange an interview. If the applicant is not available for an in-person interview, an online interview can be arranged (via Skype).

If the student is approved for enrollment, SCS will create an I-20 and send it along with a letter of acceptance.