

SECTION X: INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS

An international student shall be defined as any non-U.S. citizen, who is residing with anyone other than his/her own family

International Students may be eligible to participate in interscholastic athletics for a maximum of one calendar year from the date of enrollment provided they:

1. Are a part of an approved International Educational program that is listed by CSIET.
2. Have been assigned to schools by a method which ensures that no student, school official, coach, volunteer, employee or other interested party has influenced the assignment.
3. Have not graduated or are not eligible for graduation from high school.
4. Meet all SCISA eligibility standards while a student at a member school.
5. Are submitted on a **Form 4** and an **International Student Eligibility Request Form**.
6. Have not reached his/her seventeenth (17th) birthday before July 1 of the current school year (2009 for the 2009-10 school year). If he/she has, then he/she shall not be eligible for participation in athletics.

Note: An international student is not eligible until ruled so by SCISA.

Note: Form 4-A shall be filed for a student whose home is in another country but who attends a school in the United States outside the auspices of an established exchange program.

Eligibility Review Procedure: A school shall provide the following information for an eligibility ruling.

1. Verification of Date of Birth;
2. A letter from the CSIET approved International Educational program that placed the student detailing the selection process, specifically how your school was selected.
3. A written statement from the school's administration verifying that no interested party acted on behalf of the school to influence the assignment.
4. A completed FORM 4
5. SCISA may Grant or Deny eligibility.

Requests for First Semester International Student Eligibility Consideration Deadline: **August 30, 2009**

Requests for Second Semester International Student Eligibility Consideration Deadline: **December 1, 2009**

Note: A student returning to his school from a foreign exchange program may resume athletic competition provided he/she meets all requirements relative to age and semesters of eligibility. The semester or semesters spent in the exchange program will count toward the eight consecutive semesters of eligibility.