



INTERNATIONAL STUDENT ADMISSIONS GUIDELINES AND PROCESS

Loganville Christian Academy accepts a very limited number of international applicants each year in grades 6-12. Students must have the ability to speak, read, write and comprehend English and must take a standardized test for English proficiency. If the student will be seeking a host family, they must apply through Academic Opportunities in America at www.aoamerica.com. Students who already have a host family lined up should contact the Admissions Office to inquire about next steps. Additional information will be required of both the student's biological family in their home country as well as the host family in America. It's possible the student and host family will still need to apply through AOA.

TUITION AND FEES

Registration Fee	\$300	Tuition for 6th-8 th grades	\$16,350
Sustaining Fee	\$250	Tuition for 9 th -12 th grades	\$17,350
Technology Fee	\$150		
PTF Membership Dues	\$30		
School Computing Device	\$675		
TOTAL FEES	\$1405		

*Registration fee is due within 2 weeks of admission or before the I-20 application process can begin. Tuition and other fees are due in full by June 1 or within 2 weeks of admission, whichever is later. Additional expenses such as athletic fees, uniforms, field trips and lunches are the responsibility of the international student, not the host family. Should a student withdraw or be suspended before the end of the school year, no refund will be issued.

HOST FAMILY INFORMATION

- Host families are typically arranged through our partner, Academic Opportunities in America. If an international student already has a host family they plan to live with, the family may have to go through the vetting approval process with AOA.
- International students are not allowed to live by themselves or with other international students who are not part of a host family situation.
- International students must immediately inform the school of any change in host family arrangements, address changes, etc. Students who fail to do so will be subject to having their I-20 revoked, resulting in their immediate return to their home country.
- If a family wishes to apply for host family status, they must apply to do so at www.aoamerica.com.

ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS

- Application through AOA.
- Non-refundable application fee of \$175 U.S. Dollars.
- Current photo.
- Cover letter, written in English outlining why the student desires to study at LCA and the expected dates of study.
- All previous school records, report cards, transcripts and testing results taken in the last 3 years.
- Immunization records. These forms must be translated on the GA Dept. of Health form #3231 before a student can begin school.
- Copy of birth certificate.
- Copy of passport.
- English proficiency test (TOELF or SLEP)
- Completion of testing. All international students must be tested prior to acceptance. If the applicant is or will be in the metro-Atlanta area, please let the admissions office know the dates they will in the country so we can arrange testing. If the student will not be in the U.S. prior to enrollment, we can schedule testing via Skype.
- Completion of a parent/student interview. A phone/video interview will be scheduled with the biological parents and the student. If the student will not be in the Atlanta area. The interview cannot be scheduled until all admission documents (including the application, recommendations and school records) have been received.
- Completion of a host family interview will be required for all international students. This will be scheduled after all documents have been received and after or simultaneously with the parent/student interview.

ACCEPTANCE

The admissions review committee will make a decision after all interviews have been completed. If accepted, the non-refundable registration fee of \$300 will be due along with a signed enrollment contract before the process of applying for the I-20 can begin. Before an I-20 can be issued, tuition and fees must be paid in full. Tuition will be refunded if the Visa is denied in the student's home country. Please note that there is no tuition discount for international students.

Payment for the I-20 is a separate process through the U.S. Government. Once an "initial" approval for an I-20 is submitted by the school, a SEVIS number will be generated and sent to the student. Payment for the I-20 is over and above tuition payments to the school. Payment for the I-20 is made through www.fmiffee.com by credit card payment for an I-901 to be issued. The SEVIS number, the receipt and receipt number for the I-901 will need to be brought to the Embassy for the I-20 to be approved and issued.