



KENTUCKY HIGH SCHOOL ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION
**APPLICATION FOR ATHLETIC ELIGIBILITY FOR STUDENTS
HAVING J-1 OR F-1 STATUS**

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INSTRUCTIONS FOR COMPLETING FORM GE07

1. Complete this form for any student with J-1 or F-1 status (VISA) who initially enrolls into a KHSAA member school and desires participation in sports within the first year of enrollment at a KHSAA member school.
2. Please refer to KHSAA Bylaw 7 and the interpretations of this rule on the KHSAA website, <https://bit.ly/2T2Gwxc>, for the specific provisions regarding foreign exchange student eligibility.
3. Special notice should be taken to the restrictions on members of the coaching staff at the KHSAA member school.
4. Students who are "direct placements" shall not be granted a waiver of the one-year period of ineligibility as a J-1 or F-1 student.
5. Agencies currently approved in accordance with Bylaw 7 for students on a J-1 Education VISA are listed on the KHSAA website at <https://bit.ly/2AhHkaM>, and approved F-1 VISA agencies are listed on the KHSAA website at <https://bit.ly/3fMFyig>
6. The KHSAA member school shall ensure that all parts of this form are complete and legible, and all required attachments are included.
7. The form will be reviewed by the Commissioner's office and a ruling will be issued.
8. For processing, allow a minimum five (5) working days to ensure time for verification of the data and be mindful that in accordance with the Due Process Procedure, the Ruling Officer has thirty (30) days to rule, and additional time if investigation is necessary.
9. Only the Principal and/or Designated Representative of a member school may inquire as to the processing status of the form.
10. The waiver of Bylaw 7 does not in and of itself declare the student eligible. It is the responsibility of the member school to verify that the student is eligible according to all other bylaws.
11. No verbal statement in addition or in contradiction to these materials shall apply.
12. If an aggrieved party is dissatisfied with the decision; an appeal may be taken in the manner set forth in the KHSAA Due Process Procedure

Information Needed		These lines are to be completed by the Receiving School	
Student Name			
Date of Enrollment at Receiving School			
Name of Receiving School			
Current Grade in school			
Birth Date		Age (as of this date)	
Student's Enrollment History After initial enrollment in Grade 9 (list school(s) attended) each year	Grade	School	Country

Complete questions 1-21 if you are applying for a waiver of the Bylaw according to section 2 or 3. Carefully read the text of Bylaw 7 contained in the KHSAA Handbook or viewed on the KHSAA website at <http://www.khsaa.org/>. This form will not be processed if incomplete or if missing required signatures

1	Is this student being placed under the auspices of an approved student exchange program agency? (Check one)	Yes		No	
2	If being placed under the auspices of an approved student exchange program (agency), what is the name of that program (agency)?				
3	Name & address of the Local Area Exchange Program Representative				Phone:
4	What was the last date this student was enrolled at their previous school?				
5	Is this student in compliance with all United States Immigration and Naturalization Service Regulations?				
6	What type of visa does the student possess? (Check one)	F-1		J-1	
7	If the student is in possession of a J-1 VISA, was this student a "direct placement"? For the purposes of this bylaw, "direct placements" are those placements in which either the student or the sending organization in the foreign country is a party, including school personnel that arranges for the student to attend a particular school or live with a particular host family.	Yes		No	

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8	If the student is in possession of an F-1 VISA, was this student a "direct placement"? For the purposes of the F-1 visa, a "direct placement" is one who is known to be trying out for/to play an interscholastic varsity sport, or for whom participation in athletics was a known motivating factor at the time of application.	Yes		No	
9	If the student is in possession of an F-1 VISA, list the name of the local school district SEVIS representative				
10	If the student is in possession of an F-1 VISA, list all positions within the school/system of the person listed in line 9				
11	If the student is in possession of an F-1 VISA, is the individual in line 9 a member of the coaching staff (any team), athletic staff (any team) or a representative of the athletic interests of the school?	Yes		No	
12	Is this the student's first and only year as an exchange student?	Yes		No	
13	Has this student attended any other schools in the United States (if so, please list each school and the dates attended)?				
14	Has this student graduated from high school in their home country?	Yes		No	
15	Does the school or student have a complete transcript of records that has been translated in English prior to the request?	Yes		No	
16	Name and address of host parents/family?				Phone:
17	In what school district or defined school attendance area is the address listed in Question 13?				
18	Who specifically paid any of the tuition or fees required to attend this school?				
19	Amount of tuition and fees charged to this student				
20	Who specifically paid the travel fees for the student?				
21	Does the student's host family include any member of any coaching staff at this school?	Yes		No	

STUDENT CERTIFICATION

I attest that the information provided to the member school is accurate, and acknowledge that failure to provide complete and accurate information could lead to ineligibility of the student-athlete in question.
I understand that if the waiver of the one-year period of ineligibility is granted, this student shall not be eligible for more than one year of athletic participation under any circumstances.
I understand that if the waiver of the one-year period of ineligibility is granted, that changing schools during the first year will be reviewed under the guidelines of Bylaw 7 and a new ruling issued.
I understand that if the waiver of the one-year period of ineligibility is granted, that changing schools will be reviewed under the guidelines of Bylaw 6 and a new ruling issued.

Exchange Student Signature		Date	
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HOST FAMILY CERTIFICATION

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Host Family Signature			
Print Name of Person Signing			
Date		Signature	
		Daytime Phone	

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MEMBER SCHOOL SIGNATURES AND CERTIFICATIONS

As Principal or Designated Representative of this KHSAA member school, I hereby verify that this student meets all eligibility rules and regulations as promulgated; hereby certify that the student was not recruited for athletic purposes by any official or unofficial representative of the school and that the placement of this student in this school was random as required by Bylaw 7.

As Principal or Designated Representative of this KHSAA member school, I also verify that no members of the coaching or athletic staff (paid or unpaid) at the KHSAA member school or school system at which participation is desired has had no role in the entry into school including acting as SEVIS local contract or registrar for an F-1 student;

It is the recommendation of the undersigned Principal or Designated Representative that the period of ineligibility for transferring students (one year from the date of enrollment) is waived and that he/she be declared eligible immediately to represent my school in interscholastic athletics; I understand that if the waiver of the one-year period of ineligibility is granted, this student shall not be eligible for more than one year of athletic participation under any circumstances.

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I understand that even if qualifying for a waiver, the student may be ineligible under the provisions of Bylaw 7, Sec. 3 (Specific Restrictions).

I hereby certify that the information provided on this form is true and accurate to the best of my ability.

Principal / Designated Representative Signature			
Position at the School			
Email Address (for data gathering purposes only, no rulings can be made via electronic mail)			
Daytime Phone Number		Date Signed	

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