ISSUING THE I-20

Upon acceptance to The King’s Academy and after receipt of a Tuition Deposit, Fees and Emergency Withdrawal Deposit payment, the I-20 will be issued to the student. This document is the basis for receiving the F-1 visa status from the United States Immigration and Naturalization Service. I-20s will not be issued prior to three (3) months before the student’s expected arrival date.

The King’s Academy will refund 50% of tuition and fees already paid for students who are accepted into the school and have paid the Tuition Deposit, Fees and Emergency Withdrawal Deposit, but who do not end up attending The King’s Academy. A full refund, however, may be granted to students who are not able to complete their I-20 status due to events that are beyond their control or the control of their family.

F-1 STUDENT REGULATIONS

The USCIS requires that students hold an F-1 Visa. A tourist visa does not allow a student to attend school in the U.S. If you have a tourist visa and are accepted to The King’s Academy, you must request a change of status from the USCIS.

The following regulations are those that you agree to when you sign the I-20 and enter the U.S. as an F-1 student at The King’s Academy

- You should arrive in the U.S. on or before the date indicated on your I-20.
- Students arriving in the U.S. with an I-20 from The King’s Academy must attend The King’s Academy. Transfers are generally only possible after attending the school for at least one year.
- F-1 students must be enrolled to study full-time. Students must be registered for the appropriate grade level (9th—11th) and attend classes in the grade level. Students who fail to follow these rules will lose their status.
- F-1 students must maintain a minimum GPA of 2.0 (C average). Students who go below this GPA may face expulsion.
- Off campus employment is strictly forbidden.
- Any change or problem with visa/status, change of address, telephone number, change of emergency numbers of sponsors (guardians), must be reported to the Admissions office as soon as they occur.
- All I-20 students must live with a parent, guardian or sponsor.
- All students and parents, guardians or sponsors, must comply with The King’s Academy Parent/Student Handbook.
- International students attending The King’s Academy must have a tuition deposit paid by registration. One-half of tuition must be paid by July 1st. The final tuition balance is due by December 1st. Monthly payments are not an option.
- Provide proof of medical coverage or purchase emergency medical insurance.
- The King’s Academy discourages students from changing guardians/sponsors during the school year; students who change guardians/sponsors may be asked to leave.
- If an international student is not adjusting well to their guardian/sponsor or to The King’s Academy, the student may be required to return to their country of origin.
- Failure to comply with these regulations is cause for loss of status, and possible deportation.