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The Covenant Preparatory School values diversity and is pleased to offer international students desiring an education in the United States the opportunity to attend Covenant. Covenant's admission process is selective, our academic standards are high and international students are held to the same expectations as their American classmates. Proficiency in reading, writing and speaking English is essential for an international student.

Covenant is an SEVP approved school and is authorized to issue a Form I-20 for students that meet the requirements for admission and demonstrate English language proficiency confirmed by a TOEFL or IELTS score report. Proficiency in reading and writing in English is required.

For comprehensive information on studying in the United States, F-1 Visa requirements and applicable fees, please visit the [Student and Exchange Visitor \(SEVIS\) website](#)

Admission is open to International Students entering grades 8, 9, 10, and 11. Students at lower grade levels may apply if living with a relative already residing in the United States.

**PLEASE NOTE: Covenant does not provide housing, transportation, host homes, medical insurance or English as a second language for international students. Proficiency in reading and writing in English is required.**

### **Host Families**

Covenant does not provide host family services for international students. If searching for a host family, you may want to explore agencies that assist with matching students with local families. If you use an agency, it is important that they are aware of our location. Covenant is located in Kingwood, a suburb of Houston, Texas. The Houston area is quite large and public transportation to Kingwood is limited. You will need to be sure that the host family lives within reasonable driving distance of the school.

One company that our students have used in the past is [American Homestay Network](#). **Please carefully evaluate any agency that you contract with to assist you in locating a host family.**

### **Student Insurance**

I-20 students must purchase insurance while in the United States. It is up to the student's family to purchase insurance from a provider of your choice.

## **International Student Fees**

Application Fee	\$575.00 (Non-Refundable)
*Registration Fee:	\$1,000.00
International Student Fee	\$1,500.00 (Due along with tuition payment)

\*This Registration fee must be paid before the I-20 will be issued. If the student's F-1 visa is not granted, the fee will be refunded.

## **The Admission Process**

1. Submit an [Application for Admission](#) and pay the application fee (non-refundable).
2. Testing:
  - All students applying for admission at Covenant must take the ISEE exam.
  - The ISEE is available internationally. For more information and to find a location near you, please [visit the ISEE website](#). If there is not a school in your area that offers ISEE testing, check for a Prometric Testing [location](#) near you. International listings begin on page 8.
  - International students must provide a recent TOEFL or IELTS score report.
3. Submit the following documents:

Note: **All documents must be translated to English:**

- Copy of current passport
  - Copy of transcript
  - Copy of current and previous year grade report
  - Teacher Recommendation Forms
    - Math Teacher Recommendation Form
    - English Teacher Recommendation Form
  - Copy of Immunization Record
  - Optional Documents (must be translated to English):
    - Additional teacher letters of recommendation
    - Additional school records, testing, personal achievements
4. Family Interview (will be conducted via Skype if the student is overseas).
  5. Upon completion of the steps above, an admission decision letter will be issued by the Admission Committee.

## **Enrollment**

1. If offered admission, the enrollment forms must be completed online and the registration fee paid before the Form I-20 is issued. The form will be sent by Covenant via Fed-Ex. The form may also be picked up from the Covenant Admission Office by appointment.
2. Families must submit a copy of the completed I-134 Affidavit of Support and required supporting documentation to Covenant for your student's file:

Affidavit: <https://www.uscis.gov/i-134>

3. Provide Covenant a copy of the Guardianship Agreement authorizing the host family to act on behalf of the student in all school matters, illness, or any other circumstances affecting the well-being of the student.