SCHOOL MOBILITIES

Parents' Information Meeting November 25th 2024



INTRODUCTION

New "Guidelines on Organizing Students' Mobility from and to the European Schools ».

Temporarily visiting other schools in a different country gives students the chance to develop more intensively in many regards, e.g. to improve their language skills and to mature through experiencing a different educational and cultural environment.



TYPES OF MOBILITIES

Exchanges

Pupils study in a European School abroad while staying with a host family. And they also host a pupil from another European School.

One-way visits

Pupils study in a European School abroad while staying with a host family. They don't host a student from another European School.



WHO

All **students in S4** are eligible to apply for the Mobility Programme.

The mobility takes place in S₅.



WHEN?

The first semester of S₅ (4 months). From September until the end of December (just before the Christmas holidays).

Remember that only the European Schools (ES) of Brussels have the same school year calendar. All other ES/AES have a different school year calendar.



WHICH SCHOOLS?

European Schools and Accredited European Schools.

You can choose a maximum of three schools in order of preference.

All the documentation related to the mobility, included the *List of European Schools*, will be published on the school website:

Secondary > Pedagogical information > Exchanges between European Schools



SWALS STUDENTS

If there is no section in the host school, the pupil will be treated as a Student Without A Language Section (SWALS) provided that the L1 course in S5 exists in the host school.



SWALS STUDENTS

A SWALS pupil who does find a section of their L1 in the host school will integrate in their L1 section.



REMARKS

It is the responsibility of the student to catch up if the programme in the schools involved is not alike.

If there are subjects that are not covered at the host school, the results of the 2nd semester will count double.

Pupils take all the exams at the host school. They will come back to their home school with A and B marks given in all the subjects followed.

The 1st semester report is shared by the european schools.



REMARKS

The mobility student officially becomes a pupil of the host school.

The school of origin doesn't have access to the pupil SMS profile until begin of January. However, he/she will have access to information about orientation for S6 and the work experience programme via MS Teams.



MOBILITY APPLICATION

Parents have to ...

- 1. fill in the **Online Application Form**. The link to this form will be sent to you and uploaded to the school website.
- sign and send back by e-mail Annex 3. Consent form for participation.

Deadline: 10th of January 2025



PRE-SELECTION

- Validation of the requests by the Class Council (No difficulties to catch up, appropriate behaviour,... The student is considered as a whole person.)

Pupils with a record of serious breaches of the rules may not be eligible for mobility.



PRE-SELECTION

- Validation by the school Management. Creation of the pre-selection list.

Preference is given to:

- -Pupils who have the L2, L3 and L4 of the host country in their curriculum. Students whose L1 is the language of the host country won't have preference.
- -Exchanges (particularly, direct exchanges)

Deadline: Third week of February



SELECTION BY HOSTING SCHOOL

The host school will check whether they have:

- -The **section or the** L1 of the student.
- -Places available.
- -Possible matches (exchanges).

Deadline: end of April.



Students without a host family

Mobility coordinators try to match students so they can do an exchange.

If the student can't do an exchange and doesn't have a host family, he/she may be included in a list together with a short description and the parents' email. This list is sent to the APEEE, which in turn sends it to all parents.

If the APEEE cannot find a host family, it is up to the parents to try to find one.

Accredited schools doesn't have an APEEE.



ACCEPTANCE LETTER

You should receive an acceptance letter from the host school with information about the start of the school year, documentation needed, transport and cantine services, books, welcoming meeting...

Deadline: May/June



REMARKS

Please note that we will first contact the parents' of the students who have been selected by the host school.

After the selection process (end of April), it is possible that host schools propose us other exchanges. So you may get information later than April.

Before the two schools involve approve a mobility, a host family must be confirmed to receive the pupil.

Pupils accepted to the programme must present **Annex 2. Confidential Health Form** to the host school at the start of their mobility.

FINANCES

For mobilities there must be no additional cost to the host school.

Participating pupils will meet their financial obligations (school fees) with their sending school.



INSURANCE

Participating pupils must prove to the host school (through the Mobility Coodinator) and host family that they are sufficiently insured (health, travel, accident, third-party) before the start of the mobility.



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