

Dear International Applicants,

Greetings! Thank you for your interest in El Sobrante Christian School (ESCS).

Our International Student Application is enclosed. Please return the completed application to the International Student Registrar of El Sobrante Christian School, 5100 Argyle Road, El Sobrante, CA 94803 as soon as possible, along with a non-refundable application fee of \$425.00. If you need changes in an I-20 we have issued, there will be a \$50 fee.

After acceptance, the I-20 will be issued upon our receipt of:

1. Half tuition amount. (NOTE: No tuition refunds will be granted on request by the student or their parent/guardian/agent. Refunds only with visa denial two (2) times. Verification required. Remaining tuition due after visa obtained.
2. The \$200 SEVP I-90 fee. This fee is mandated by Congress to support the program office and the automated system that keeps track of students and ensures that they maintain their status while in the United States. See <http://www.ice.gov/graphics/sevis/i90/index.htm> for more information.

Please refer to the publications Tuition and Fees and Tuition Payment Policies and Procedures regarding tuition. (NOTE: No tuition refunds will be granted on request by the student or their parent/guardian/agent. Refunds only with visa denial two (2) times. Verification required.)

We look forward to getting acquainted with you. Please contact us at (510) 223-2242 if there is anything we can do to help you.

The International Student Application must be completed in its entirety prior to student acceptance. It is essential that we receive all requested forms with your application. Some of the forms need to be completed by someone other than you. Therefore, we suggest that these are completed in a timely fashion, since they must be included when the application is submitted.

Serving Christ through Education,

Mrs. Julieta Cubas

Elementary & Middle School International Student Application Form

Note: There is a non-refundable \$425 application fee. (See Tuition Rates)

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APPLICANT INFORMATION:

Student Name (as it appears on the student's passport)

Last/Family Name: _____

First Name (Formal): _____

Preferred Name (Informal): _____

EDUCATION:

Applying to grade: _____

Academic Year: _____ 2023/24 _____ 2024/2025 _____ 2025/26

Proposed Entry Date: _____ (Mid-year entry must coincide with term start date.)

Length of planned enrollment: _____ 1 semester _____ 1 year _____ 2-4 years _____ more than 4 years

If attending for 1 year or less, does this student need to earn academic grades & credits? _____ Yes _____ No

Does this student plan to graduate from El Sobrante Christian School _____ Yes _____ No

Does this student plan to attend a college or university in the U.S. _____ Yes _____ No

School Currently Attending: _____
Name Phone Number

Address: _____
Number & Street

City, State, Zip Code **OR** City, Province, Country & Postal Code

Contact Name: _____

Include title - principal, student advisor, etc.

Contact Email: _____

Language(s) of Instruction: _____

Is this a U.S. school? ☐ Yes ☐ No Is this a SEVIS school? ☐ Yes ☐ No

What type of school is this? ☐ Private School ☐ Public School ☐ Language School

English Proficiency Level: ☐ Beginner ☐ Intermediate ☐ Advanced

STUDENT INFORMATION:

Gender: ☐ Male ☐ Female Date of Birth: Month _____ Day _____ Year _____

Country of birth: _____

Country of citizenship: _____

Passport Number: _____ Expiration Date: _____

Country of Legal Residence: _____

Does this student have a current student visa? ☐ Yes ☐ No Type of visa: _____

PERSONAL INFORMATION:

Permanent Mailing Address:

Street

City

Country

Postal Code

Telephone: _____

Country Code

City Code

Home Number

E-mail Address: _____

FAMILY STATUS: Check all that apply.

Mother: ☐ Living ☐ Deceased

Father: ☐ Living ☐ Deceased

I live with: ☐ My mother & father ☐ My mother and step-father

☐ My father and step-mother ☐ Father only ☐ Mother Only

Other: _____

PARENT INFORMATION:

FATHER:

Last Name	First Name
Occupation:	_____
Business Phone:	_____
Email Address:	_____
Fax Number	_____
Speaks English:	____ Yes ____ No
Mailing Address:	_____

MOTHER:

Last Name	First Name
Occupation:	_____
Business Phone:	_____
Email Address:	_____
Fax Number	_____
Speaks English:	____ Yes ____ No
Mailing Address:	_____

AGENT/AGENCY INFORMATION:

(If the student is being placed through an agency, provide the following information:)

Agent Name (if applicable):	_____
Agency Represented:	_____
United States Address:	_____
City/Zip Code :	_____
Phone Number:	_____
Cell Number:	_____
Email Address:	_____
Website:	_____

SCHOOL CONTACT INSTRUCTIONS:

Provide information on who should receive all El Sobrante Christian School regular communication:

Primary Contact:	_____
Contact Information:	_____
Secondary Contact:	_____

FINANCIAL INFORMATION:

International students must pay tuition costs in ADVANCE of attendance.

Who will be responsible for payment of tuition fees?

Name: _____

Relationship to student: _____

Contact Email Address: _____

Contact Phone Number: _____

Will this same person also provide payment for additional fees generated? (sports, field trips, yearbook, extracurricular activities, etc.) ____ Yes ____ No

If no, who will pay these fees?

Name: _____

Relationship to student: _____

Contact Email Address: _____

Contact Phone Number: _____

What method of payment will most likely be used?

Bank Wire Transfer _____ (contact ESCS for wiring instructions)

Check _____

Credit Card _____

INFORMATION NEEDED FOR ISSUANCE OF I-20 IMMIGRATION FORM

El Sobrante Christian School will issue an I-20 form for use in obtaining an F-1 type student visa to international students accepted into our school program. If accepted, please provide instructions on how the I-20 form should be distributed after printing:

☐ Mail to (Print Clearly): _____

****NOTE: There is an \$80 fee for mail to an international address**

☐ Picked up from school office by:

Name: _____

Phone Number: _____

Email Address: _____

Completed applications should be returned to:

El Sobrante Christian School
ATTN: Julieta Cubas
5100 Argyle Road, El Sobrante, CA 94803
United States of America

Phone: (510) 223-2242 x151
Fax: (510) 223-8453
Email: jcubas@escschool.com

SIGNATURE OF BOTH PARENTS OR GUARDIANS IS REQUIRED

By signing this Agreement, we pledge and agree to:

- 1. Try our best to meet each of the expectations the school has for its families.***
- 2. Actively support the board, administration and faculty of El Sobrante Christian School in implementing the school's philosophy of providing a Christ-centered education.***
- 3. We understand that tuition and fees are non-refundable. No tuition refunds will be granted on request by the student or their parent/guardian/agent. Refunds only with visa denial two (2) times. Verification required.***

1) Name of Parent/Guardian (Print):

Signature:

Relationship:

Date:

2) Name of Parent/Guardian (Print):

Signature:

Relationship:

Date:

CHECKLIST OF WHAT MUST BE INCLUDED IN OR WITH YOUR APPLICATION

- ☐ Parent's signature on page 6 of application
- ☐ Educational Information: Make sure to include transcripts from the last two years of schooling. Provide translation if not already in English.
- ☐ A list of courses completed so far in the current school year, with grades received AND a list of courses currently in progress with current progress grades from teachers
- ☐ Two (2) letters of recommendation from faculty members who have taught the applicant during the current school year. These should address both the character of the student and also his or her proficiency level in reading, writing, speaking and understanding English.
- ☐ Translated copy of all immunization records.
- ☐ Financial Verification: Financial Evidence that shows you or your parents who are sponsoring you have sufficient funds to cover your tuition and living expenses during the period of your intended study. (Needed, as mandated by the supporting agency, in order to furnish the I-20 upon acceptance to ESCS.
- ☐ Copy of current and valid passport for student who is applying
- ☐ Photos of the student
- ☐ Current Immunization Records: Must be included to be considered for acceptance from ESCS. The record must contain, in English, the month and year each dose was administered (TDaP will be required upon arrival to the United States.)
- ☐ Application fee of \$425

California State Immunization Requirements for School Entry:

- DTP (DTaP, DT, Td): 5 doses **4 doses OK if one was given on or after 4th birthday
- Tdap Booster: 1 shot on or after 7th birthday ** required when entering 7th grade regardless of age
- Polio (TPOV, OPV, IPV): 4 doses ** 3 doses OK if one was given after 4th birthday
- Hepatitis B (HBV, Hep B): 3 doses
- MMR (Measles-Mumps-Rubella): 2 series shots on or after 1st birthday
- Varicella (Chickenpox, Var, VZV, Varivax): 2 doses ** second dose after 13th birthday

STUDENT LETTER

Directions for Student's Letter to School:

Most of this application has had you filling in blanks and providing short answers. Here, you will have the opportunity to reveal your true personality. Don't waste this space repeating information such as your birthplace, birth date, age, etc. You have already provided this. The school wants to know why you want to come to California and what you enjoy doing with your family and friends in your home country. Make your letter as friendly and personal as possible.

This letter must be in English, clearly PRINTED and IN BLACK INK. We suggest your letter be 300 words or more, but not more than the space below.

THIS LETTER MUST BE WRITTEN BY THE STUDENT WITHOUT ASSISTANCE.

THIS FORM IS TO BE COMPLETED BY THE STUDENT

Personality Traits: Check the following words which best describe you.

	Polite		Optimistic		Calm		Independent
	Extroverted		Casual		Neat		Responsible
	Spontaneous		Caring		Shy		Open
	Active		Friendly		Patient		Quiet

Interests and Participation: Place an "X" in front of activities you enjoy and participate in. Circle the "Xs" of five activities that most occupy your time.

	Reading		Cooking		Painting, Drawing		Swimming
	Watching TV		Martial Arts		Hiking, Backpacking		School Clubs
	Photography		Debating		Dancing (Ballet/Modern)		Fishing
	Playing Indoor Games		Playing Individual Sports		Playing Team Sports		
	Collecting:				Singing in an organized group:		
	Playing Musical Instrument:				Other, please list:		

Have you received any awards, or do you have any outstanding achievements, in the activities you checked above?

If so, please list:

What pets do you have at home? _____ What languages do you speak? _____

List the languages that you have studied:

Language

Years Studied

Religion/Religious Affiliation: _____

Religious Participation: ____ Very Active ____ Regular ____ Occasionally ____ Regularly

EDUCATIONAL INFORMATION

This form must be completed by a School Official at the applicant's school

Student's Current grade level: _____ TOEFL/SLATE Score: _____

(TOEFL or SLATE scores are necessary for admission to El Sobrante Christian School. Please provide a copy of the score sheet. Students will also be assessed upon arrival before school starts.

Please consider the applicant in relation to others in his/her age group and check the appropriate space for each item below:

	Excellent	Above Average	Average	Below Average	Poor
Academic Potential					
Academic Achievement					
Reading Skill & Interest					
Written Expression					
Oral Expression					
Study Habits					
Initiative					
Curiosity					
Creativity					
Common Sense					
Seriousness of Purpose					
Reaction of Criticism					
Self-Discipline					
Independence					
Warmth of Personality					
Concern for Others					
Conduct					
Integrity					
Dependability					
Emotional Stability					
Energy					
As a Student					

Please comment in detail on the character, motivation and study habits of the student. Does the student cooperate with teachers and interact well with other students? Is this student mature enough to handle the considerable difficulties of studying in an American School?

Signature of Official: _____

Title: _____

Date: _____