INTERNATIONAL STUDENT INFORMATION

Lakeside Summer School Programs welcomes applications from international students. Please read the following information prior to submitting your application and payment to ensure Lakeside Summer School Programs is an appropriate fit for your student.

All students participating in Lakeside Summer School Programs must be **fully vaccinated and boosted** (14 days after their final booster shot) before beginning their summer program, unless they have been granted a health or religious exemption. International students must be fully vaccinated (unless a religious or health exemption has been granted) before traveling to Seattle.

Families should review the CDC and [Washington Department of Health](https://www.doh.wa.gov) travel health notices before undertaking any travel, particularly to or from an international destination.

**Travel Requirements**
Students and their families are responsible for making travel arrangements and obtaining all travel documents (including visas) necessary to attend Summer School programs in an appropriate time frame. Due to the short period of time of our programs, international students typically obtain a short stay B-2 tourist visa (instead of a student visa) from the American Embassy or Consulate in their home country. Families should be aware of our [2023 Refund and Withdrawal Policy](#).

**Insurance Requirements**
All families must purchase a travel health insurance plan for the month(s) that your child will be attending our summer program through ISM. Proof of insurance purchase is required to complete the registration process. ISM International Travel Insurance can be purchased through this website: [https://isp.isminc.com/](https://isp.isminc.com/).

**Language Expectation**
Lakeside does not offer any ESL (English as a Second Language) support. Students must be fluent in spoken and written English prior to registering. An interview to determine the student's level of English fluency is required. Once registration is complete, international students will be directed to sign up for a brief video-conference interview (via Zoom) with a Summer School Programs staff member in order to confirm fluency and acceptance into the program.

Students applying for a High School for-credit course also must complete the US course application for non-Lakeside students during the registration process. Transcripts and two teacher references are required. All application materials must be translated into English or they will not be accepted.

**Residence Expectation**
Lakeside is not a boarding school, and we do not arrange for host families. All students must provide the name of the host or guardian they will be staying with during their participation in Lakeside’s
Summer School Programs. An international mailing address and phone number, as well as the mailing address and primary phone number of where the student will be staying while attending Lakeside School, should be provided during registration.

**Applying to Lakeside Summer School**

Registration opens for Lakeside families, children of alumni, and Downtown School families February 6. Registration opens to the public February 13 via the portal on our summer school website: [www.lakesideschool.org/summer](http://www.lakesideschool.org/summer). The summer school application is required for any non-Lakeside student who is registering for a high-school for-credit class. This application is accessible via the registration website.

Any questions about the registration process may be emailed to SummerSchool@lakesideschool.org. Registration and acceptance is for the Summer School Programs only, and does not constitute admission for the regular school year. Questions about school-year admission should be directed to the Admissions Office at admissions@lakesideschool.org.