

AFS-GPS

School Policy for Hosted Students

Attendance & Conduct:

AFS is an educational exchange program, therefore, AFS students must:

- Attend school each day school is in session.
- Follow his/her local school's attendance policy.
- Make-up all schoolwork when a pre-arranged absence occurs.
- Be respectful to all teachers and school staff.

Curriculum:

- All AFS students must take a full year of an English class. (*Examples: Literature, composition, language arts, speech, journalism, creative writing, or debate*)
- All AFS students must take a U.S. History or U.S. Government class.
- All AFS students must take two other academic classes of his/her choice. (*Examples: Math, science, foreign language, computers or another history course*)
- All AFS students are encouraged to take two other "fun" classes of his/her choice. (*Examples: Art, music, drama, or physical education*)
- To change any of the required classes, students need permission in advance from the local support chair or the local area chair.
- AFS students may not take driver's education.
- AFS students wanting to take AP or IB classes must receive approval in advance from the local support chair or the local area chair.

Grades:

AFS students must achieve a "C" grade or better in each class, each term. If English skills become a concern, it is the responsibility of the student to inform his/her host family and/or liaison so that arrangements can be made. In some cases, AFS students may choose pass/fail grades instead of letter grades. All homework assignments must be completed on time by each AFS student in each class.

Graduation:

AFS students may not request a diploma from U.S. high schools.

If these policies are not followed, disciplinary action will occur