



MIDDLE SCHOOL & HIGH SCHOOL INTERNATIONAL STUDENT APPLICATION FOR ENROLLMENT

School Year: _____

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Student's Family Name		Student's Given Name	American Name	
_____		_____		
Agent Name (if applicable)		Agency Represented (see page 3)		
_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
Current Age	Birthday (MM/DD/YYYY)	Gender M / F	Grade Requested	RCS Office Use: Date App Rcvd

Thank you for considering Redwood Christian Schools. To expedite the application process, we seek your participation in the following procedures:

1. Please complete this application and return it with the application fee to the International Student registrar. All forms submitted for consideration must be signed by the parents and/or any other parties involved in the payment of tuition. Students applying for grades 2-12 must submit forms included in the enrollment packet.
2. All state immunization requirements must be met before school entry. Students entering seventh grade must have proof of immunization for Hepatitis B and second MMR inoculation. **TDaP immunization to be required upon arrival in the United States.

Redwood Christian Middle School & High School
1000 Paseo Grande, San Lorenzo, CA 94580
510-317-8990 Fax: 510-278-5064
Atten: International Student Registrar

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, as stated on the next page;
2. Actively support the board, administration and faculty of Redwood Christian Schools 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.

SIGNATURE OF BOTH PARENTS OR GUARDIANS IS REQUIRED,

We have read and hereby agree to each of the terms listed in the attached "Pledge of Acceptance."

1. _____

Name of Parent/Guardian (Print)	Signature	Relationship	Date
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2. _____

Name of Parent/Guardian (Print)	Signature	Relationship	Date
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Parents'/Guardians' Pledge of Acceptance

1. We, as parents or guardians who are accepting the Biblical challenge to “train up a child in the way he should go,” do state that this training will be carried on in the home. We shall place our trust in Redwood Christian Schools to be an extension of that training. (Proverbs 22:6; Luke 6:40)
2. We understand that the faculty and staff of Redwood Christian Schools will teach love and respect for the Lord Jesus Christ and obedience to Him. (I Samuel 15:22; Matthew 28:20; John 14:15, 21)
3. We understand that Redwood Christian Schools is most effective in providing our child(ren) with a Christ-centered education when we as a family read the Bible, pray and attend a local church whose Statement of Faith is not inconsistent with the Statement of Faith of RCS. (Deuteronomy 6:6-7; Hebrews 10:25)
4. We do hereby state that we have read the RCS Student Handbook pertaining to this student and have examined the school’s curriculum, statement of faith, facilities, disciplinary procedures and the Refund Policy as stated in the Tuition and Fees Schedule, and we do accept those procedures and pledge our support to the faculty and administration of RCS. (Amos 3:3; 1 Corinthians 1:10; Philippians 2:2)
5. We pledge our fullest cooperation to not make an issue of any doctrinal controversy or denominationalism. (John 17:23; I Corinthians 1:10; Ephesians 4:3-7)
6. We understand that in order for discipline to be most effective, it must be administered immediately. We hereby invest authority in Redwood Christian Schools to discipline our child as deemed necessary by the school including picking up our child from school, detention, suspension and expulsion, and agree to abide by such discipline. (Proverbs 29:15, 17; Hebrews 12:11)
7. We agree that Redwood Christian Schools can suspend and/or expel, at its sole discretion, our child named on this form if it is determined by the administration of the school to be in the best interest of either our child or the school. We understand that failure to pay tuition as it is due is grounds for expulsion of our child named on this form. No refunds will be granted on request by the student or their parents/guardian/agent. Refunds only with visa denial two (2) times. Verification required.
8. By signing the reverse side of this page, we, as parents or guardians of our child, do sincerely give our pledge that we will support and abide by all items as stated above. (Deuteronomy 23:21; Numbers 30:2)

Agreement with Redwood Christian Schools’ Philosophy of Educating Students

Redwood Christian Schools (RCS) believes that a student’s home and school should have a harmonious relationship. Thus we ask the home to be in agreement with the policies, practices and philosophy stated herein on our application and on our Web site. Our philosophy is based on the conviction that Bible knowledge and a personal relationship with Jesus Christ is essential to fulfill the spiritual, academic and social development of the student, and we strive to foster that philosophy in our classes, programs and curriculum to provide a Christ-centered education.

Redwood Christian Schools does not limit its enrollment to only students who have committed their lives to Jesus Christ. We welcome students of all religious backgrounds, and strongly encourage families to regularly attend church together. The total process of education at RCS includes encouraging students who have not committed their lives to Jesus Christ (unsaved) to trust in Him for their salvation, and then develop a Christian world view by relating the whole person to God in all facets of life.

Our philosophy of Christian education recognizes the God-ordained role of parents to their child(ren). In view of this relationship, Redwood Christian Schools affirms that education is primarily the parents’ responsibility. Our school functions as an extension of the home, to assist the proper relationship between the family, church and the educational process in providing a Christ-centered education to our students.

Just as parents expect RCS to support their family, it is the expectation of RCS that our families will:

- Support the school in all its efforts to provide excellent academic and spiritual training;
- Affirm the school in maintaining its educational and Biblical standards, policies and procedures; Support decisions and discipline made by the school as they relate to their child(ren);
- Participate, when possible, in school affairs and functions;
- Faithfully meet their financial obligations to the school; understanding that tuition and fees are non-refundable. No refunds will be granted on request by the student or their parent/guardian/agent. Refunds only with visa denial two (2) times.
- Resolve any issues or problems with school personnel by following the Biblical procedures stated in Matthew 18:15-17 (i.e., first go directly to those involved when there is confusion or when a misunderstanding exists); Read the RCS Student Handbook available at all school offices and posted on www.rcs.edu;
- Read and understand the RCS Statement of Faith; and
- Have read and understood the items listed on the reverse side of this page.

Parents or Guardian, Please initial this page:

Father _____ Mother _____ Guardian _____

Please Complete ALL Sections to End of Application

The International Student Application must be completed in its entirety prior to student acceptance, it is essential that we receive all of these 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 you submit your application.

1. Personal Information (Please Print in Black Ink)

Permanent Mailing Address: _____
Street

City Country Postal Code
Telephone: _____
Country Code City Code Home Number

E-mail Address: _____

Birthplace: _____
City Country

Country of Citizenship (as per passport): _____ Country of Legal Residence: _____

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: _____

FATHER: _____
Last Name First Name Email

Occupation: _____ Business Phone: _____ Work Email: _____
Age: _____ Speaks English: _____ Yes _____ No

MOTHER: _____
Last Name First Name Email

Occupation: _____ Business Phone: _____ Work Email: _____
Age: _____ Speaks English: _____ Yes _____ No

AGENT/AGENCY INFORMATION: _____
Agent Name (if applicable) Agency Represented

United States Address City Zip Code Phone Number Cell Number

Email Address Website

CHECK LIST OF WHAT MUST BE INCLUDED IN OR WITH YOUR APPLICATION

- Parent's signature and initials required on pages 1 and 2 of application.
- Personal Information (pages 4-6): Be certain to include a letter from parents and student.
- Educational Information (page 7): Make sure to include transcripts from the last three years of schooling. Provide translation if not already in English.
- Additional Required Information: (page 8)
- Financial Verification: Financial Evidence that shows you or your parents who are sponsoring you has sufficient funds to cover your tuition and living expenses during the period of your intended study. (Needed, as mandated by supporting agency, in order to furnish the I-20 upon acceptance to RCS.)
- Copy of Current & Valid Passport for student who is applying
- Academic Grades and Official Transcripts
- Photos of the student
- Current Immunization Records: Must be included to be considered for acceptance from RCS. The record must contain, in English, the month and year each dose was administered. (TDaP will be required upon arrival to the US.)
- Application fee of \$495.00.

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
- Hepatitis A (HAV, Hep A): not required for school entry
- MMR (Measles-Mumps-Rubella): 2 series shots on or after 1st birthday
- Varicella (Chickenpox, Var, VZV, Varivax): 2 doses ****second dose after 13th birthday**

Dear International Applicants,

Greetings! Thank you for your interest in Redwood Christian Schools (RCS)! Our International Student Application is enclosed. If accepted, the student will be assessed upon arrival at RCS. Please return the completed application to the International Student Registrar of Redwood Christian Schools, 1000 Paseo Grande, San Lorenzo, CA, 94580 as soon as possible, along with a non-refundable application fee of \$495.00. 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. (This can be done by RCS with the receipt of the \$200 fee or can be done by the student's family or agent.) See <http://www.ice.gov/graphics/sevis/i901/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 510-317-8990 if there is anything we can do to help you.

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Serving Christ through Education,

Al Hearne II, Superintendent

The Mission of Redwood Christian Schools is to provide a Christ-centered education which is able to equip students for daily living and eternal life.

PARENT LETTER

Directions for Parent's Letter to School: Your letter is one of the most important parts of the application. Along with your child's letter, it will normally have the most influence on acceptance to Redwood Christian Schools.

Do not repeat information already provided in other sections of this application. Instead, provide more detailed and personal information that will help the school understand your child's personality, background, lifestyle and habits. We ask that you be very frank and honest in your letter and that you comment on your child's strengths and weaknesses. Remember you are writing to a school in a foreign country. Please include the type of information you would want to know if you were in the school's position.

STUDENT LETTER

Directions for Student's Letter to School: Your letter is one of the most important parts of your application.

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, what you want to enjoy doing with them and the new friends you'll make, and what you are like with your family and friends in your home country. Make your letter as friendly and personal as possible.

This letter will be copied and distributed in the school application process. To assure good copy quality, 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. Please write your letter within the lines provided.

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.

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Polite | <input type="checkbox"/> Optimistic | <input type="checkbox"/> Calm | <input type="checkbox"/> Independent |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Extroverted | <input type="checkbox"/> Casual | <input type="checkbox"/> Neat | <input type="checkbox"/> Responsible |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Spontaneous | <input type="checkbox"/> Caring | <input type="checkbox"/> Shy | <input type="checkbox"/> Open |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Active | <input type="checkbox"/> Friendly | <input type="checkbox"/> Patient | <input type="checkbox"/> Quiet |

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

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Reading | <input type="checkbox"/> Cooking | <input type="checkbox"/> Painting, Drawing | <input type="checkbox"/> Swimming |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Watching TV | <input type="checkbox"/> Martial Arts | <input type="checkbox"/> Hiking, Backpacking | <input type="checkbox"/> School Clubs |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Watching Sports | <input type="checkbox"/> Playing Cards | <input type="checkbox"/> Tennis | <input type="checkbox"/> Religious Activities |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Photography | <input type="checkbox"/> Debating | <input type="checkbox"/> Dancing (Ballet/Modern) | <input type="checkbox"/> Fishing |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Playing Indoor Games | | <input type="checkbox"/> Playing Individual Sports | <input type="checkbox"/> Playing Team Sports |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Collecting: _____ | | <input type="checkbox"/> Singing in an organized group: _____ | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 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
_____	_____
_____	_____

Smoking: I smoke I do not smoke

Drinking: Do you normally drink alcoholic beverages outside of your home? Yes No
If so, how frequently? Rarely Occasionally Regularly

Religion/Religious Affiliation: _____

Religious Participation: Very Active Regular Occasional Never

Would you be willing to participate in religious activities?

- Yes, if same religion: Occasionally Weekly More than once a week
Yes, even if different religion: Occasionally Weekly More than once a week
No not at all

2. 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 Redwood Christian Schools. 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? (Attach Comments)

Signature of Official

Title

Date