

Vaterford School District

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Dear Parent(s)/Guardian(s) of Eighth Grade Students,

The International Academy is a public, tuition-free high school for students living in Oakland County School Districts. As the Waterford School District Board of Education approved our participation in the International Academy consortium, students from the Waterford School District are eligible to apply to attend the International Academy for high school during their eighth grade year. The International Academy has three campuses. Waterford students are enrolled at the International Academy in Bloomfield Hills.

The Waterford School District may enroll 15 incoming ninth grade students per year in the International Academy program. To qualify, students must:

- be a resident or currently enrolled in the Waterford School District.
- submit an International Academy application.
- successfully complete International Academy Placement Testing.

If you are not currently enrolled in the Waterford School District, you must fill out an enrollment packet and provide residency documentation at the Central Enrollment office located at 501 N. Cass Lake Road. Central Enrollment's contact number is 248-681-2076.

Online application forms for the Bloomfield Hills International Academy for the ninth grade graduating class of 2029 are available online at www.iatoday.org. The completed application form, all necessary documents, and an application fee of \$20 need to be submitted online for successful application submission.

Students will be required to take a placement and diagnostic exam. These exams, mathematics and personal essay, are proctored by International Academy personnel. Students must pass the mathematics test to attend the International Academy; therefore, it is recommended that the applying eighth grade students have taken Algebra I, or an equivalent math class in eighth grade.

The Waterford School District enrollment packet, and proofs of residency, are due Friday, January 24, 2025. The International Academy will be accepting online applications until Sunday, January 26, 2025, at 11:59 p.m.

If more than 15 applications are submitted, we will hold a lottery on Wednesday, February 5, 2025, at 9 a.m. via Zoom. Applicants will be notified if a lottery will be necessary and will be provided with the Zoom link. If you have any questions about the lottery, please contact the Instructional Services office at 248-706-4866. Please contact the International Academy with additional questions about the program or building at 248-341-5900.

Sincerely,

Steven Wolf Assistant Superintendent, 6th – Post Secondary

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