

International Students - Frequently Asked Questions

Salpointe Catholic High School accepts a limited number of International Students each school year. International student applications are reviewed by the school's Admissions Committee and are accepted based on their academic and English qualifications. International students may apply only at the beginning of a school year (Fall semester only, no Spring semester applications).

International students must demonstrate strong English skills (TOEFL English proficiency exam is required plus a Zoom or Google Hangout interview) as all the classes at SCHS are taught in English at an accelerated rate. The goal is to see all international students be successful at our academically rigorous school, hence the advanced English requirement.

Does Salpointe require a deposit before or after you issue I-20? If yes, how much? If my students don't get Visa, is this fee refundable? An I-20 is not given until a student is accepted and has actually registered for classes. The registration fee is non-refundable.

How much is the application fee and registration fee? The application fee is \$60.00 and the registration fee is generally \$300.00 (Freshman/Sophomore/Junior)

Does Salpointe require an immunization form and medical form before the I-20 is issued? The required immunizations are due prior to the first day of school (these need to be translated into English).

Does Salpointe require Recommendation forms? Yes, we require 3 recommendations, and they need to be translated to English. One from the Principal of the school/one from the Math teacher/and one from an English teacher or an English teacher equivalent. These can be requested through our myPointe application system.

How does Salpointe rate grades in transcript? Good or fair or average? We do not have a specific GPA due to the variety of different grading standards – the admissions committee looks at the whole process – transcripts and recommendations and the ability to speak/write/understand English for the student to be accepted.

How much will students pay tuition per year? And living expenses? Tuition is increased every year – for the academic year 2023-2024, the tuition for new students is \$12,100.00. We do not know what the living expenses would be since Salpointe does not charge students living expenses.

Does Salpointe have a homestay program or dormitory for students? No, the students that attend Salpointe Catholic High School are day students – this is not a boarding school. Salpointe does not have dormitories or handle any type of homestay or housing for students. The living situation for the student needs to be arranged in advance for the student, either by the student's family or the agency they are working with.

If we don't have a boarding program or the students don't have a relative in the Tucson area, can my student be accepted? No, students must have a valid homestay arrangement with a family in the Tucson area.

When will the school year begin and what are the Admission deadlines? The 2024-2025 school year begins on August 2, 2024. Incoming freshmen are accepted in February, and the deadline for applications for international freshmen is January 12, 2024 – registration is in March. The deadline for Sophomores or Junior International students applying for admission is March 22, 2024.