

# **International Student Applications**

Stratford College is proud of its diverse student population and is a popular choice for international families who value the high standards of teaching and learning along with our inclusive ethos.

We have a proven track record with international and newcomer students who have been well equipped to matriculate to third level on their return to their country of birth or to Irish third level institutions with their Leaving Certificate results.

If you are re-locating to Ireland and would like to talk to us, please email

# Language Proficiency

Please note that in order to access the curriculum all non-English speakers are expected to have A2/B1 (The Common European Framework of Reference (CEFR) for European Languages standard of English. See this link for more details: <a href="http://www.englishprofile.org/images/pdf/GuideToCEFR.pdf">http://www.englishprofile.org/images/pdf/GuideToCEFR.pdf</a>

A commitment to English as an Additional Language (EAL) classes and exams (available in Stratford College as an additional extra and/or outside of school) is also required.

#### 1. European Economic Area (EEA) and Swiss Nationals

The EU countries are: Austria, Belgium, Bulgaria, Croatia, Republic of Cyprus, Czech Republic, Denmark, Estonia, Finland, France, Germany, Greece, Hungary, Ireland, Italy, Latvia, Lithuania, Luxembourg, Malta, Netherlands, Poland, Portugal, Romania, Slovakia, Slovenia, Spain, Sweden and the UK.

# 2. Unaccompanied Minors

Unaccompanied minors (under 18 years of age on 1<sup>st</sup> September of year of application)

Only applications received through an internationally recognised Student Placement Agency and in limited circumstances will be considered. The Agency will be required to certify that it is in compliance with statutory requirements including Garda Vetting and confirm that it will be acting in loco parentis for the duration of the placement.

Full fees will be charged at the beginning of the year.

#### 3. Non EEA Nationals

Irish visa and residency documentation for parents **AND** applicants will be requested with date of renewal clearly stated. Requests for certified attendance at school for the purposes of renewing visas will be given following consideration of school attendance record.



Full fees will be payable on / before 15<sup>th</sup> August on year of application in order to confirm a place. Subject to availability, a limited number of places may be available **ONLY** in 1<sup>st</sup> Year (13 years of age), 2<sup>nd</sup> Year (14 years of age), Transition Year (16 years of age) and 5<sup>th</sup> Year (17 years of age).

# 4. Guardianship

Proof of guardianship / loco parentis may be requested.

## 5. Fees for Non-EU Citizenship Applicants

There will be an additional non refundable administrative charge of €500.00 for non-EU Citizen students, payable at time of offer.

# **International Student Information Required**

## International applicants should provide the following with their application forms:

- Copies of passports of students and parents
- An original Birth Certificate which will be returned to you, or if in another language, a copy birth
  certificate translated by an certified translator or else certified by the relevant embassy in Ireland
- School reports (translated by above)
- Visa and work details of parents including Personal Public Service Number (if available or when received on arrival in Ireland
- The following may also be requested:
  - Irish Tax details for the previous year may be required
  - Name and address of accommodation with contact referee

Please see www.stratfordcollege.ie for more details and application procedures:

## **UKRANIAN NATIONALS**

To facilitate travel for Ukrainian nationals, the following documents may be accepted in lieu of a national passport: national ID card, birth certificate, internal passport or expired documents.