

Abiding Savior Lutheran School New International Student Application Packet

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Welcome!

I'm delighted that you are considering *Abiding Savior Lutheran School* as a possible educational choice for your international student. While selecting the correct school "fit" for a student should be a high priority for any parent or guardian, this decision is even more important for the parents or guardians of an international student. Success in school is a good indicator of success within the greater American society.

What makes *Abiding Savior Lutheran School* different from other private schools? We are a small, personal, Christ-centered educational experience that stresses academic excellence and traditional Christian values. Fully accredited by the Western Association of Schools and Colleges ("WASC"), *Abiding Savior Lutheran School* is recognized for its outstanding academic program of study, the success of its graduates in local secondary schools, and the contributions its graduates have made across the globe. We welcome a limited number of international students into our student body as an opportunity to mutually learn about our cultures and to witness our Christian faith.

Abiding Savior Lutheran School is eligible to enroll international students (I-20) with the proper student visas in place. A packet with specific requirements, as well as our fee schedule and list of additional expenses, is included on this packet. International students are required to take an English proficiency test upon enrollment and will participate in an ELL (English Language Learner) class unless adequate proficiency is demonstrated. A face-to-face interview (in person or via Skype) is a required part of the application process. Please also note that international students must enroll for at least one year. We cannot accept students visiting for only a short time, such as during the Lunar New Year January/February winter break.

Is *Abiding Savior Lutheran School* the proper "fit" for your international student? The best way to find out is to visit our campus, talk with our teachers and our students, and see what makes us different from other schools. I invite you to do so. I know that you will be as enthusiastic about *Abiding Savior Lutheran School* as I am!

Sincerely,

Dinna Lucas

Mrs. Donna Lucas, M.Ed. dlucas@abidingsavior.com



The *Abiding Savior Lutheran School* Admissions Committee reviews each admission application holistically, taking into account the unique gifts and talents of each student. Applications should follow these step-by-step procedures in a timely manner in order to be considered for admission to *ASLS*.

<u>Step 1. Apply</u>

Complete and submit *ASLS* online International Application Packet for admission consideration from the website. A list of all required documents is provided in the checklist to the right.

The completed application can be mailed or brought to ASLS Office. Emailed copies are preferred; however, all original documents (F1 Visa, Medical records, etc.) must be received prior to the first day of school for successful applicants.

Step 2. Application Review & Interview

Upon receipt of all documents, student applications are reviewed individually by the Admissions Committee. An in person or Skype video interview will be scheduled in a timely manner for those who qualify. We may deny any application that does not meet the criteria for acceptance before an interview.

Step 3. Notification of Admission Decision

If accepted, *ASLS* will send a letter of acceptance via email. The International Student fee and the registration fee are due at this point.

All application documents must be complete and submitted, along With the \$750 application fee and \$700 registration fee, in order for the Registration process to begin.

If an applicant is denied, a letter of denial will be sent via email.

Step 4. Registration and Enrollment

Upon receipt of an applicant's registration fees (see above), an I-20 Will be issued. New International students should immediately make an appointment with the US Embassy or Consulate for their F-1 Visa interview. Once the Consulate interview is successfully completed the full annual tuition is due. This should take place prior to May 2025.

Please send your inquiries or documents to: Abiding Savior Lutheran School Attn: Mrs. Donna Lucas, Principal 23262 El Toro Rd., Lake Forest, CA 92630 USA Phone: 949-830-1461 E-mail: dlucas@abidingsavior.com

Int	ernational Application Checklist	\checkmark
1.	Online Application abidingsavior.com/school/international	
2.	Principal's Interview (in person, Skype, or FaceTime)	
3.	Student's full-face photo view (digital)	
4.	Passport copy	
5.	Visa copy (students already studying in the US)	
6.	Bank Letter/ Certificate of Balance (in U.S. dollars)	
7.	Signed Tuition Agreement	
8.	Transcript (original and translated copy)	
9.	Immunization Record Please check if you have Tdap after 7th birthday TB Test Whooping Cough (7 th & 8 th)	
10.	Student Essay	

Once accepted, an applicant's parent/guardian will receive instructions on how to Enroll in a particular grade.

International Admissions Begins 1 February



SCHOOL FEES						
Fees Amount Due Date Method of Payment						
International Student Processing Fee One Time Fee	\$750	Due with Application (non-refundable)	Cash/check (payable to <i>ASLS</i>)/Wire transfer (please add \$12 wire fee; contact <i>ASLS</i> for the bank information)			
Registration Fee Paid Annually	\$700	Due with Application (non-refundable)	Cash/check (payable to <i>ASLS</i>)/Wire transfer (please add \$12 wire fee; contact <i>ASLS</i> for the bank information)			
Tuition Fee	\$14,000	9 May 2025 (or 2 weeks after I-20 has been issued if accepted after May 10 th ; non- refundable – see previous page	Cash/check (payable to <i>ASLS</i>)/Wire transfer (please add \$12 wire fee; contact <i>ASLS</i> for the bank information)			
Extended Care Registration Fee (if applicable)	\$75	Due with Tuition Fee				

FINANCIAL POLICIES

Registration FeesRegistration fees and the International Student Processing fees are non-refundable. They cover
fixed costs including, but not limited to, postage, teaching materials, textbooks, student
workbooks, emergency supplies, Field Day, Art Masters, and school yearbook.

Refund Policy If a student withdraws prior to the beginning of the school term, all fees will be refunded, except for the Registration Fee or the International Student Processing Fee. If the student withdraws or is terminated during the First Trimester, a prorated tuition amount equal to one trimester of tuition will be refunded. Following the end of the First Trimester, no tuition will be refunded. In cases of refund requests, a two-week notice is required for any tuition to be refunded.

Mid-Year Enrollment For students enrolling at any time after the first day of school, tuition will be pro-rated based on days remaining in the school year. There are no adjustments made on Registration Fees.

Tuition PolicyTuition is an annual charge that must be paid in full by 9 May 2025. If a student's fees are
not paid in full by that date, we must regrettably terminate his/her SEVIS status at Abiding
Savior Lutheran School and contact the U.S. Department of Homeland Security of that
action.

Visa Information Abiding Savior Lutheran School is authorized under Federal law to enroll non-immigrant students. Students who are admitted to our school with an I-20, will remain I-20 students, even if their status changes, during the course of their studies here at ASLS.

Financial Assistance Abiding Savior Lutheran School does not offer financial assistance to International Students on F-1 Visas, as per United States Government, Immigration, and Naturalization Services mandate.



ADDITIONAL FEES – NOT INCLUDED IN TUITION FEES

This includes school supplies such as a Bible, Assignment Notebook, English Dictionary, Literature books, PE Uniforms, PE Locker Fee (5th – 8th grade only) and Emergency Kit. These items are available from our school office. In addition, students will be provided a list of required school supplies based on their grade level. Grades 6-8 students are required to own and utilize Chromebooks for class work. These are students' purchases.

HEALTH INSURANCE

Abiding Savior Lutheran School requires all International Students to obtain International Student Insurance before attending our school. A copy of the student's card must be received prior to the start of school.

HOUSING AND/OR HOMESTAY

Abiding Savior Lutheran School **does not** offer housing or homestay.

I have read and agree to all policies and expenses as stated.

Parent / Guardian Signature



STUDENT ENROLLING (SEPARATE FORM REQUIRED FOR EACH STUDENT)

nformation	Student's Name:			English Nickname:		
nfo		Last,	First	-	(Optional)	
ht	Grade Entering:					

		RESPONSIBLE FOR ACCOUNT	: 🗆 PARENT		
Information	Name:		_		
nm	Last,	First			
	Home Phone:		_ Cell Phone:	:	
Account	Address:				
	City:		State:	Zip:	
	Email (Required):				

TUITION PAYMENT

□ Tuition for the 2025-2026 school year is \$14,000 and must be paid in full by 9 May, 2025.

□ Tuition can be made by wire transfer, check, or money order. No credit cards are accepted.

Contact *Abiding Savior Lutheran School* International Department for bank name, routing, swift & account number information.

Beneficiary: Abiding Savior Lutheran School

Beneficiary Address: 23262 El Toro Road, Lake Forest, CA 92630

Wire Transfer Fee: \$12 wire fee needs to be added to every payment made through wire transfer.



SIGNATURE OF PERSON RESPONSIBLE FOR PAYMENT OF TUITION AND FEES

I hereby agree to pay tuition and fees according to this financial agreement. I acknowledge that:

- 1. The registration fee and international student processing fee is non-refundable.
- 2. If a student withdraws prior to the beginning of the school term, all fees will be refunded, except for the registration fee or the international student processing fee. If the student withdraws or is terminated during the first trimester, a prorated tuition amount equal to one trimester of tuition will be refunded. Following the end of the first trimester, no tuition will be refunded. In cases of refund requests, a two-week notice is required for any tuition to be refunded.
- 3. There are fees associated with returned payments and late payments.
- 4. Continued enrollment is contingent upon a current account.
- 5. All tuition and fees must be paid in full before release of diploma or official final transcripts.
- 6. The above policies apply to all academic school years enrolled.

Name:	Print Name:
Signature:	Date:

OFFICE USE ONLY		
□Date	□Name/Identification # Assigned to Student:	
□Check #	□Cash □Wire	
□Amount	Employee Initials	



International Student Application INTERNATIONAL STUDENT APPLICATION FOR ADMISSION

	Legal Name:			English Nickname:	Ente	Entering Grade:	
	-	Family),	First	-		-	
nation	Gender (M/F):	Date of	f Birth (mm/dd/yy): _	Country	of Citizenship:		
Informat	Primary Language	2:	Visa Type:	🗆 F1 🗆 F2 🗆 Permanent	Resident 🗆 Other:		
	Home Phone:			_ Student Cell Phone:			
Student	Current Address: _						
•1		Street	City	State/Province	Country	Zip (Postal Code)	
	While at ASLS the	student wil	l l live with : 🗆 Father	🗆 Mother 🛛 Guardian	□ Other:		

FATHER			MOTHER		
Name:			Name:		
L	ast (Family), First			Last (Family),	First
Email (Required):			Email (Required	l):	
Cell Phone:			Cell Phone:		
Permanent Ho	<u>me Address – outside U.S.</u> (R	equired) :			
		equired) :			
Permanent Ho	me Address – outside U.S. (R	equired) :	reet (Include Street #		
City	me Address – outside U.S. (R	equired) :St	rreet (Include Street # Cou	, Building #, Room # if a	pplicable) Postal Code



International Student Application AUTHORIZATION AND CONSENT OF PARENT(S) OR LEGAL GUARDIAN(S)

STUDENT LAST NAME______ STUDENT FIRST NAME______

- 1. I hereby declare that I have legal custody of the above named child.
- I hereby grant my full permission and consent for the temporary guardian to establish a place of residence for my child, and for my child 2. to reside and travel with said temporary guardian.
- 3. I hereby grant the temporary guardian my full authorization to make all decisions related to my child's educational, religious, and recreational activities and undertakings.
- I hereby grant the temporary guardian my full authorization to administer general first aid treatment for any minor injuries or illnesses 4. experienced by the minor. If the injury or illness is life threatening or in need of emergency treatment, I authorize the temporary guardian to summon any and all professional emergency personnel to attend, transport, and treat the participant. To issue consent for any X-ray, anesthetic, blood transfusion, medication, or other medical diagnosis, treatment, or hospital care deemed advisable by, and to be rendered under the general supervision of, any licensed physician, surgeon, dentist, hospital, or other medical professional or institution duly licensed to practice in the state in which such treatment is to occur.
- This authorization is effective commencing on the _____ day of _____, 20____ and expiring on the _____ day of 5. _____, 20__
- 6. In the event that more than one legal guardian exists, the use of the singular shall incorporate the plural. In the event that more than one temporary guardian is named, the use of the singular shall incorporate the plural.

Under penalty of perjury under the laws of the state of	, I attest to the truthfulness, accuracy, and validity of the
forgoing statement.	

Parent's signature: ______ Date: ______ Date: ______

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CONSENT OF TEMPORARY GUARDIAN

I hereby acknowledge the terms set forth above and agree to assume responsibility in accordance with those terms.

Under penalty of perjury under the laws of the state of ______, I attest to the truthfulness, accuracy, and validity of the forgoing statement.

Temporary Guardian's signature	: Date:
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CERTIFICATE OF ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF NOTARY PUBLIC

STATE OF _____

COUNTY OF

This document was acknowledged before me on ______[date] by

[name of principal].

[Notary Seal]:

Signature of Notarial Officer

Notary Public for the State of ______ My commission expires: ______

A notary public or other officer completing this certificate Verifies only the identity of the individual who signed the

document to which this certificate is attached, and not the truthfulness, accuracy, or validity of that document.



International Student Application AUTHORIZATION FOR TEMPORARY GUARDIANSHIP OF MINOR

			SS#:		
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atio	Choose from the fol	l lowing : 🛛 U.S. Citizen	🗆 Permanent Resider	nt 🛛 Other Specify:	
orm	Local (US) Address:				
Inf		Street	City	State	Zip Code (Postal Code
Guardian Information	Home Phone:	C	Cell Phone:	Work Phone:	
arc	Email:				
d Guardian ID	do not meet the requireme	nts outlined above.	ED GUARDIAN PH	OTO ID HERE	
Emergency Contact Scanned	Last, Choose from the fol	First	Relatio	RDIAN STATED ABOVE nship to Child:	
Ĕ	Home Phone:		Cell Phone:	Work Phone: _	
	Email :				



International Student Application AUTHORIZATION FOR TEMPORARY GUARDIANSHIP OF MINOR

I certify that all information stated in this application is true and accurate. I understand that submission of this application does not guarantee acceptance. The school reserves the right to select or reject any applicant. I understand that my signature below indicates that I have read, understood, and agreed to the following school policies:

• **Refund Policy:** Registration fees and the International Student Processing fees are non-refundable. They cover fixed costs including, but not limited to, postage, teaching materials, textbooks, student workbooks, emergency supplies, Field Day, Art Masters, and school yearbook.

If a student withdraws prior to the beginning of the school term, all fees will be refunded, except for the Registration Fee and the International Student Processing Fee. If the student withdraws or is terminated during the First Trimester, a prorated tuition amount equal to one trimester of tuition will be refunded. Following the end of the First Trimester, no tuition will be refunded. In cases of refund requests, a two-week notice is required for any tuition to be refunded.

• **Guardian Family:** Students must reside with a guardian who must be over the age of 25 years old and a U.S. citizen (or hold an active U.S. Visa). The guardian must provide reliable contact information with *ASLS* and partner in lieu of parental role on issues of attendance, tardiness, and other matters of success. Parent must inform *ASLS* of new Guardian information immediately. NOTE: *ASLS* reserves the right to deny acceptance to, or dismiss students who do not meet the requirements outlined above.

Parent Name:	Signature:	Date:
Guardian Name:	Signature:	Date:
Guardian Name:	Signature:	Date:



International Student Application STUDENT ESSAY

Applicant's Full Name: ______ Date: _____ Date: ______

Any student can just attend a school, but at Abiding Savior Lutheran School, we want students to make ASLS their school! This only happens through active participation and involvement. God has blessed you with many gifts; please describe the gifts, talents, and passion you have that may contribute to make Abiding Savior Lutheran School your school. Please write your essay in your own handwriting and be honest!

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