



## Tri-City Christian Academy Admissions Checklist

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### *Forms that require your action:*

- I-20 (***Parents must sign this form. The student MUST have the original copy with him/her at the time of the visa interview AND at the time of traveling to the US.***)
  - Athletic Pre-Participation Physical Examination
  - Childcare Authorization Form
  - Concussion Fact Sheet
  - Emergency Treatment Authorization
  - Immunization Form (***attach proof of immunizations in English***)
  - International Student and Host Family Handbook
  - Medical Authorization and Treatment Form
  - Permission to Ride in Non-School Vehicles
  - Student Home Stay Questionnaire
  - Travel Permission Form
- Please scan and email copies of all signed forms (except the I-20) to us as soon as possible. Take the originals along when traveling to our school.



## Tri-City Christian Academy

### History and Mission: Who We Are and Where We've Been

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Tri-City Christian Academy, a private Somersworth, New Hampshire Christian school serving families with children from kindergarten through high school, was established in 1985 to edify Christian believers and provide a quality Christian education and child care for your children.

We assist parents in providing an education for their children three years of age through high school. Our dual goals are academic excellence and Christian character training.

All instruction in each subject area is based upon the Holy Scriptures as the absolute standard of revealed truth and consequently is wholly dedicated to the proposition that Jesus Christ is Lord over every area of life.

Students are systematically taught that revealed biblical Law, as summarized in the Ten Commandments, is the true ethical standard for all men in all ages.

Tri-City Christian Academy (TCCA) achieved full accreditation from the New England Association of Schools and Colleges (NEASC) in November 2014. The New England Association of Schools and Colleges is the oldest accreditation organization in the country. Their motto is "Demanding Excellence, Honoring Difference."

***Mission Statement: "To advance the dual propositions that Jesus Christ is Lord over every area of life and thought and that man's chief end is to 'glorify God and enjoy Him forever,' Tri-City Christian Academy strives to guide students in academic achievement and in Christian character maturation, as these aspirations are derived and articulated from the Word and Sacrament ministries of the Church Universal."***

Curriculum: Tri-City Christian Academy provides a liberal arts education including rigorous college prep courses as well as courses in industrial arts, fine arts, and family and consumer sciences. Students have opportunities for honors courses and college credit courses; these must be done in consultation with our Guidance Counselor, Mrs. Dianne West.

TCCA utilizes a traditional 7-period per day schedule with chapel and intramural times scheduled in each week.



## Tri-City Christian Academy

### Your I-20 and the Visa Interview Process

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The I-20 form will allow you to study in the United States. Once you have your I-20 form, please check all of the information to ensure its accuracy. Should you find any errors, please notify the school so they can make the corrections and issue a new I-20 promptly. If everything is in order, please sign the I-20 document (parents must sign if the student is under 18 years of age) and make arrangements to meet with the Immigration Office at the United States embassy nearest you. Do this as soon as you receive this letter to ensure enough time for processing the documents.

In order to be fully prepared for the United States visa-issuing consular, remember to bring the following documents to the meeting:

- Signed I-20
- Receipt showing I-901 fee is paid
- Passport
- Copy of the school handbook
- Letter of Acceptance
- Standardized test scores
- School transcript

Although not necessary for most countries, students from mainland China and Japan should bring the following additional materials if applicable:

- Proof of Ownership of Property
- Bank Account Statement

Because the INS is carefully monitoring students, please store the I-20 in a safe place, as loss of this document may delay your child's entry into the United States. This paper document is the original I-20 the student will use for the duration of his/her time in the US and should be kept in a safe and secure place just as you would keep your passport.

The SEVIS I-901 fee became effective as of September 1, 2004. All new students and exchange visitors with a Form I-20 or Form DS-2019 issued on or after that date are subject to a \$200 fee. Parents should access the payment website at [www.fmjfee.com](http://www.fmjfee.com). For more information on who needs to pay the fee and other details, check their website at <http://www.ice.gov/sevis/i901>. If you have any questions about your I-20 form, please do contact us. If you have any questions about how to obtain your I-94 form (visa), please contact your U.S. consulate or embassy.

**APPLYING FOR YOUR F-1 STUDENT VISA  
PREPARATION AND INTERVIEW TIPS FOR INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS  
BE INFORMED AND PREPARED**

- Do not listen to rumors about the process or about obtaining a visa. They are often incorrect. Most students who have a valid claim for an F-1 Student Visa do receive them.
- Visit the local embassy website and get a complete set of instructions and all documents needed for the visa application process.
- Follow those instructions carefully and complete all questions thoroughly.
- Be neat and well organized in preparing your papers.

**WHAT TO BRING WITH YOU WHEN APPLYING FOR A VISA:**

- Completed Non-immigrant Visa Application, Form OF-156
- Properly completed SEVIS I-20 form, signed by a parent (if the student is under 18 years of age)
- Your SEVIS I-901 Fee Receipt
- Acceptance letter from the new school
- Your passport, valid for at least 6 months
- One 2 inch x 2 inch photograph
- Scores from standardized tests required by the school, such as the SSAT, ISEE, TOEFL, or iTEP
- Grades from the past school year
- A bank account statement indicating that your family has the funds to cover the cost of one year's tuition, room and board, books, and other related expenses
- Proof of business ownership, or ownership of property in your home country (not required in all countries)

**THE CONSULAR INTERVIEW**

- Schedule your interview as instructed by telephone or by way of the Internet.
- Parents should go to the interview with the student.
- You should be neatly groomed and pleasantly dressed. Think of how you would dress if you or your parents were going for a job interview.
- You should be very familiar with the school you will attend. Bring the school's catalog with you if you have one. Be prepared to answer questions like:
  - Why do you wish to study at this school?
  - Who is the headmaster? Who is the admission director?
  - What do you know about the school?
  - What will you study?
  - How large is the school?
  - Where is it located, and how will you travel there?
  - Is it a boys, girls, or coed school?
  - In what country will you go to college or university?
  - In what country will you work when you are finished with your education?

- Counselors will want to know about your family's financial circumstances to be sure they can pay for private education. Be ready to provide bank account statements. If your parents have a business and you plan to return to your home country to work in the business, it would be good to know what your role will be in that business.

**WHAT NOT TO DO WHEN APPLYING FOR THE VISA:**

- DO NOT claim that you want to live and work in the United States. (Be aware that F-1 students may not immigrate to the United States and are expected to return to their home country.)
- DO NOT go to the interview with incomplete information.



## Tri-City Christian Academy Bell Schedule (High School)

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### **Monday-Friday**

Homeroom 8:00 – 8:25 (25 minutes)

Matins (Chapel) 8:30 – 9:00 (30 minutes)

1<sup>st</sup> Period 9:00 – 9:50 (50 minutes)

2<sup>nd</sup> Period 9:50 – 10:40 (50 minutes)

Break 10:40 – 10:50 (10 minutes)

3<sup>rd</sup> Period 10:50 – 11:40 (43 minutes)

4<sup>th</sup> Period 11:40 – 12:30 (50 minutes)

Lunch 12:30 – 12:55 (25 minutes)

5<sup>th</sup> Period 12:55 – 1:25 (30 minutes)

6<sup>th</sup> Period 1:25 – 2:15 (50 minutes)

7<sup>th</sup> Period 2:15 – 3:00 (50 minutes)

Dismissal 3:00



# Tri-City Christian Academy

## Dress Code Policy

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### Dress Code

All students are to dress neatly, cleanly, and modestly for school. Students are to dress in a manner similar to the way they would dress if they were working professionally in the marketplace. Christians' dress and appearance should reflect our requirement to show love and respect towards our neighbors and should reflect positively on Tri-City Christian Academy (Philippians 4:5). Conformance to all dress code and appearance standards is required from the time the student, faculty, or staff member arrives at school until they depart.

A guiding principle of a Christian school's dress and appearance guidelines should be an emphasis on displaying unity within the Christian community rather than an excessive calling of attention to oneself. (Philippians 2:4)

Compliance with the spirit of the dress and appearance code as well as the letter has proven to greatly enhance both the academic and the spiritual atmosphere of our school. Teachers will communicate any dress and appearance code infractions to the applicable Department Director. The applicable Department Director will make all necessary communication to parents regarding dress and appearance code infractions according to their discretion.

Faculty and staff must refer to the following student dress code as a minimum and follow the spirit of modesty and non form-fitting clothes. Clothes worn by faculty and staff must be as dressy as or dressier than students' dress.

#### Where to Purchase?

Clothing purchased through the following uniform suppliers comply with our dress code, and a portion of all purchases made is donated to our school as long as the school code is used when ordering **French Toast's** website at [www.frenchtoast.com](http://www.frenchtoast.com), (School Code #QS46W8).

Copies of school dress code brochures for these two companies may be obtained at the school office. Parents may also choose to purchase clothing items complying with our school's dress code guidelines through Sears in their uniform section.

- French Toast - source code QS46W8

#### General Guidelines

Dress and appearance standards must be followed for all school functions including evening events whether a student is a spectator or participant. On **Spirit Days**, students, faculty, and staff members may wear Eagle tee shirts to show their school spirit. Eagle sweatshirts (over a collared shirt or Eagle tee shirt) and special senior sweatshirts (also over a collared shirt or Eagle tee shirt) may be worn any day to show school spirit. Students may wear Eagle sweatshirts during inclement weather with the individual teacher's express permission for an individual class.

Dress code is the norm for most school days. **Every Friday** students will be allowed to "dress down" as a fundraiser (\$1.00 per **Spirit Jean Day**) for the TCCA Yearbook or as specified by their Department Director or the Administrator. All shirts/sweatshirts worn on Spirit Jean Days must be TCCA athletic wear, which can be purchased through our school's Athletic Department, or, TCCA logo Eagle blue shirts through the 2014-15 school year. No torn jeans are allowed during any Spirit Jean Days.

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Dress and appearance for **field trips** must be explained thoroughly in the permission letters that are sent home for parents' signature. As a reminder, all permission letters must be given to the applicable department director in advance and approved by that department director before being sent home to parents.

**Senior high school admissions interviews** are occasions in which dress and appearance code conformance is a requirement.

Students shall wear **shoes** or other appropriate footwear while in school. There shall be no heeled shoes or other types of shoes with wheel devices in them. Sneakers are acceptable footwear. Students shall not wear athletic cleats in our buildings.

Under no circumstances will clothing and appurtenances advertising anti-Christian rock music groups or any idea contrary to the Christian faith be worn at any time on school property, on school field trips, or on any school-sponsored activities. (II Corinthians 10:5)

Students shall not wear outdoor apparel (including hats, fleece vests, or pullovers) inside the building.

**Body piercing jewelry** shall be conservative in style and limited to girls having pierced ears. Tattoos are not permitted for either gender. There are times when students enroll in TCCA with body piercings or some form of body art. In these cases, body piercings and all forms of body art must be covered or removed. (Leviticus 19:28) (Leviticus 21:5) (I Corinthians 6:19-20)

**Hair** should be styled and colored conservatively. Radically sensational styles and colors are not acceptable. Boys' hair should be neat and trimmed and should generally be shorter than girls' hair. (I Corinthians 11:14)

## High School Dress Code

### Girls Dress Code

Girls are expected to dress in a conservative fashion marked by modesty (I Timothy 2:9) and good taste according to the following guidelines. No clothing should be sheer or form fitting according to TCCA standards.

- **Shirt/Blouse:** Oxford style shirts and polo shirts are to be solid colored.
- **Skirts:** Skirts should be tailored no higher than the top of the knee. Skirts must begin at the waist (no hip-huggers). Skirts may be flat front or pleated in solid colored black, navy, or khaki with no slits higher than the top of the knee.
- **Jumpers:** Jumpers should be black, navy or khaki.
- **Slacks/Pants/Shorts/Capris:** Slacks/Pants (dress pants or Dockers-style pants) must begin at the waist (no hip-huggers) and must be tailored uniformly at the ankle. Pants of sweat suit style or material, jean material of any color, cargo pants, or excessively baggy pants are not allowed. Modest shorts are allowed during the months of September, October, May, or June. Dockers-style shorts or capris must come to the knee and be worn with a belt. Shorts and capris are allowed during the months of September, October, May, and June. Slacks and shorts should be solid colored black, navy, or khaki.
- **Belt/Tie:** A belt must be worn with pants that have belt loops.
- **Blazers:** Solid colored blazers in black, navy, or khaki may be worn.
- **Sweaters:** Solid colored cardigan-style sweaters, sweater vests, and pullover sweaters are considered part of the uniform dress code and must be worn over a collared shirt.



## Boys Dress Code

Boys are expected to dress in a conservative fashion according to the following guidelines:

- **Shirts:** Shirts are to be oxford style shirts or polo shirts. All shirts must be properly buttoned and remain tucked in at all times. Dress/oxford style shirts and polo shirts, are to be solid colored and must be tucked in at all times.
- **Slacks/Pants/Shorts:** Solid colored, Dockers-style shorts (navy, black or khaki), which must come to the knee and be worn with a belt, are allowed during the months of September, October, May, and June.
- **Belt/Tie:** A belt must be worn at all times for grades 4-12. (Elementary boys are required to wear ties on Wednesday mornings for chapel). (Middle/ High school boys must wear a tie on Wednesdays and Communion days). The tie must be properly tied at the neck.
- **Blazers:** Solid colored blazers in black, navy, or black may be worn. Sweaters Solid colored cardigan-style sweaters, sweater vests, and pullover sweaters are considered part of the uniform dress code and must be worn over a collared shirt.
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## Tri-City Christian Academy American Holidays

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A school calendar which lists early outs, teacher in-service days, vacations, end of quarters, exams, etc. is found on the school website. Below is a list of American holidays and festivities. Some but not all of these days will be no-school days.

**YOU MUST HAVE PERMISSION FROM THE ISP COORDINATOR AND HOST FAMILY FOR ANY TRAVEL. PERMISSION MUST BE RECEIVED AT LEAST 10 DAYS IN ADVANCE, INCLUDING TRAVEL BACK TO YOUR HOME COUNTRY. YOU MUST NOT LEAVE EARLY AND MISS FINAL EXAMS OR YOU WILL RECEIVE ZEROS IN YOUR CLASSES!**

- ❑ **Labor Day – First Monday in September:** honors the workers of America and the importance of work in our society. *No classes at TCCA.*
- ❑ **Reformation Day/Halloween – October 31:** Reformation day is a historic day in Christian history, esp. for Protestants. Halloween is a fun day to wear costumes, carve faces in pumpkins, and kids go door to door asking for candy. Asking for candy at Halloween is called “Trick or Treating.”
- ❑ **Veteran’s Day – November 11:** honors American veterans of foreign wars. *No classes at TCCA.*
- ❑ **Thanksgiving Day – Fourth Thursday of November:** one of the most popular holidays of the year. It is a time to be thankful to God for all good things in life. The holiday is based on a celebration that took place in 1621, when Pilgrims and Native American gave thanks for a good harvest and ate together. The meal usually includes turkey, cranberry sauce and pumpkin pie. *No classes at TCCA.*
- ❑ **Christmas Eve and Christmas Day – December 24 and 25:** celebrates the birth of Jesus Christ. People often decorate their houses inside and out, decorate a tree in the house, and share meals and gifts with family and friends. *No classes at TCCA.*
- ❑ **New Year’s Eve and New Year’s Day – December 31 and January 1:** a special night of festivities when most people attend parties with family or friends. At midnight it is customary to kiss or hug. *No classes at TCCA.*
- ❑ **Martin Luther King Jr’s Birthday – Third Monday in January:** He was a civil rights leader who is remembered for his dedication and work toward civil rights during the 1960s. *No classes at TCCA.*
- ❑ **Valentine’s Day – February 14:** customary on this day to send friends and “special friends” cards, candy or flowers.
- **President’s Day – Second Monday in February:** a day set aside to commemorate the birthdays of two important U.S. Presidents: George Washington who was the 1<sup>st</sup> president of the U.S. and Abraham Lincoln who was the 16<sup>th</sup> president and very popular for his leadership during the Civil War.

- **St. Patrick's Day – March 17:** named for the patron saint of Ireland, this day is often celebrated with parades and parties. Many people wear green clothing and put up decorations, even if they are not Irish. If you do not wear green on this day, classmates may pinch you.
- **Easter – Springtime (dates vary):** a Christian holiday celebrating the resurrection of Jesus Christ. It is customary for people to decorate Easter eggs and eat Easter-themed candy; preceded two days earlier by **Good Friday** (a commemoration of Jesus' death). *No classes at TCCA.*
- **April Fool's Day – April 1:** a fun day when friends have the opportunity to play jokes on one another.
- **Mother's Day – Second Sunday in May:** a day to honor mothers with a meal, card, gift, flowers or other gifts of appreciation.
- **Memorial Day – Last Monday in May:** established to pay tribute to all members of the U.S. Military who died in the service of their country. *No classes at TCCA.*
- **Father's Day – Third Sunday in June:** Fathers are honored with cards, a meal, or other gifts of appreciation.
- **Independence Day – July 4:** On this day in 1776, the Declaration of Independence was signed, declaring the United States to be a separate, independent country. Many people and businesses fly the American flag on this day, which is celebrated with parades and fireworks.



# Tri-City Christian Academy

## Quick Facts

<b>Travel Preparation</b>	Email visa confirmation and flight itinerary to International Program Coordinator to ensure proper preparation for your arrival.
<b>Airport Logistics</b>	Airport Name: Logan International Airport (Boston, MA; BOS); Manchester-Boston Regional Airport (Manchester, NH; MHT) Pickup Person: Host Family Arrival Date: Dates as listed on enrollment contract; confirm with Program Coordinator prior to purchasing <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• The school will arrange airport pickup on these dates only. If students require airport pickup outside of the listed dates, additional expenses may be incurred.</li></ul>
<b>Travel Documents</b>	Passport I-20 I-901 <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Renew your student visa in your home country yearly.</li></ul>
<b>Finances</b>	Recommended: Visa or MasterCard Credit/Debit Card with Smart Chip Technology Recommended Spending Money: \$200 per month We can assist students in setting up a Student Bank Account at a local bank for minimal charges if parents desire a method for wiring funds throughout the year.
<b>Medical Insurance</b>	Medical insurance is required for all international students and included in program fees. \$250,000 maximum coverage per incident \$100 fee per hospital visit \$250 fee per emergency room visit Sports rider for school sports included; non-school sports are NOT covered.
<b>Additional Fees</b>	Program fees do not include Vacation or other trips and fees, replacement costs for lost/damaged iPads, mobile phone charges, and other personal spending money. <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Bringing an unlocked mobile phone from home may reduce costs.</li></ul>
<b>School Orientation</b>	Campus tour Community tour Set up mobile phone and bank accounts Meet school staff and students Discuss F-1 visa requirements American classroom expectations and culture Shopping Fieldtrips Review academic calendar and schedules Investigate academic resources Discuss how grades are calculated
<b>School Calendar</b>	Check monthly school calendars at <a href="http://www.tcca-nh.com">www.tcca-nh.com</a> .

<b>Preferential School Supplies</b>	Dell or Mac Laptop (laptop not required) iPad or other tablet (not required) TI-84 Calculator (not required)	
<b>Classroom Expectations</b>	Classroom grading based on homework, participation, tests and quizzes, and projects (varies by class). Classroom expectations: no cheating, no plagiarism, homework completed on time, active class participation, arriving to class on time, receiving supplemental help if needed	
<b>School Vacation Policy</b>	Students will return to their home country during the summer vacation. All other vacations will be spent with the host family, friends, or on school-sponsored trips. Students may not travel prior to the completion or scheduled exams or a score of 0% will be issued.	
<b>School Clubs and Activities</b>	Band  Intramurals (ping pong, chess, powder puff football, basketball, softball, indoor soccer, etc.)	Yearbook Spring Musical  Chorus
<b>Requirements for Sports</b>	Annual Physical Sports Form Concussion Form GPA: > 1.0 (passing grades, all subjects)	
<b>School Sports</b>	Boys Sports:  Cross Country Basketball  Soccer Golf Baseball	Girls Sports: Volleyball Cross Country Basketball  Soccer Golf Softball
<b>Host Family Expectations</b>	15-20 minute showers Good hygiene habits Household etiquette Proper communication practices Computer/Electronic usage policy Privacy expectations	Expectation of shared household chores Dating policy Curfew
<b>American Tipping</b>	15% tip at restaurants \$1-\$2 for bellboys 15% tip for taxi	

<b>Weather in Somersworth</b>	<p>Fall: 45-60°F/7-16°C; Autumn is beautiful with trees changing colors and milder temperatures.</p> <p>Winter: 28°F/-2°C; Snow is common from November through March. Sledding, snowmobiling, ice skating, and cross country skiing are fun activities. Families spend much of their time indoors playing games, watching movies, and going to music and sporting events.</p> <p>Spring: 45-60°F/7-15°C; Spring flowers are amazing, and spring sports such as soccer, track, and tennis are popular. April and May warm into summer. Spring thunderstorms bring hard rain with clapping thunder and flashing lightning, followed by beautiful rainbows and fresh, clean air.</p> <p>Summer: 70-85°F/21-29°C; Summer can occasionally be very hot and humid.</p>
<b>Local Attractions</b>	
<b>Hotels in the area for Parental Visits</b>	<p>Prices range from \$79-160 per night.</p> <p>Recommendations can be provided upon request.</p>

## **Life in the Community**

Tri-City Christian Academy, located on 45 acres of land, is an important part of the local community. Part of the Seacoast region of southeast New Hampshire and southern Maine, Somersworth is characterized by the tranquility of small town life while also being conveniently located to Boston, Mass., Manchester, NH, and even New York City. We are not far from the University of New Hampshire and easy driving distance from some of the US's most historic universities: Dartmouth, Harvard, Brown, and Yale.

We have a clean environment that allows visits to the ocean and the mountains in the very same day.

## **Life in the Classroom**

The typical classroom usually hosts 8 to 15 students, depending on the subject. Classroom styles vary per teacher. Some classroom days are focused on lecture, others on discussion led by the teacher, others on group activity or projects, and others on research in the lab or via media (video, etc.). Teachers ask questions and students are required to respond verbally, by computer, or in written form. Some classes have labs where experiments and theories are tested. Some students take a vocational class at Somersworth High School, which are very hands-on in their learning style. Teachers are very open to questions or input from the students when done respectfully.

In order to promote a respectful environment, Tri-City Christian Academy enforces a dress code. Plan on dressing conservatively. Please refer to the student handbook for detailed rules regarding the dress code.

## **Life with a Host Family**

You will be living with a local host family. Please be aware that American families are diverse. Tri-City Christian Academy will do the best job possible to present you with a host family that meets any requests you might make. It is important that you provide as much detail as possible. But please understand that host families are limited, and we cannot guarantee placement in a host family that meets all your criteria.

Most of our host families have children at home at this point. Most families have children attending the high school. Some families have younger children who are not school age yet or are attending the elementary campus of Tri-City Christian Academy. We have had host families with adopted children from other continents. We have had parents with varying careers such as engineering, ministry, dentistry, business ownership, management, military, medicine, school administration, collegiate services, and education. The families all live within 2 to 25 miles from school. They all have passed background checks and are caring families in our community.

Your host family will ensure your needs are met within the home, including meals and nourishment, furniture, linens, toiletries, and access to transportation to and from school. While your host family will be available to bring you shopping, you will be responsible for the cost of incidental supplies, clothing, and any other shopping items. While your host family may invite you for meals outside of the home, be prepared to cover their cost. And please dress appropriately for family functions and events.

## **Recommendations for International Students**

Successful international students are those who come eager to learn and are flexible in their new surroundings. This is a wonderful academic and cultural opportunity for students, and they are encouraged to absorb as much as possible. When a student struggles with new information, either in the classroom or in the host family's home, the student should respectfully ask questions, trying to better understand.

## Packing List

Since you cannot fit all your belongings in a suitcase or two, you will need to make decisions about what to bring from home and what to buy when you get to New Hampshire. We have a Wal-Mart in town, and Portsmouth is only 20 minutes away with many malls and shopping areas. Shopping on-line is also very common here. Occasional trips to Boston can be arranged with your host family or other authorized support person.

### Here are some items you **must** be sure to pack:

- Important Documents: Passport, I-20, Flight Itinerary, Acceptance Letter from TCCA, Receipt for Student Visa
- Cash in case of an emergency: Recommended \$300 USD
- Original, signed copies of all school enrollment forms
  - All forms can be found in your Admissions packet or online at [www.tcca-nh.org](http://www.tcca-nh.org).

### Here are some items you may want to pack:

- Bank or ATM card with Smart Chip Technology (e.g., Shazam)
- Eye glasses and contacts
- Alarm clock
- Computer and other electronics
- Unlocked mobile phone (also available for purchase here)
- Musical instrument (rented instruments are available)
- Photos of family and friends
- Backpack (for day trips and daily use)
- Electrical appliances – razor, hair dryer, etc.
- Adapters/converters for electronic equipment that may require different wattage or outlet prongs
  - US electrical current is 110-115, 60 cycle AC
- Personal hygiene supplies, medicine for colds, prescriptions
- School clothing/casual clothing for summer and winter
  - see School Handbook for dress code information
- Suit or dress for formals, weddings, funerals
- Swimwear (guys in the US wear swim shorts that go down to knees)
- Light jacket
- Warm hat, gloves, and scarf

### Your Host Family will provide:

- A bedroom with door, at least one window
- Bed
- Sheets, blankets, pillow
- Bath towels
- Desk
- Chair
- Lamp
- Closet
- Dresser or chest with drawers
- Basic supplies such as laundry detergent, soap, toilet paper, and basic shampoo

*It would be wise to SKYPE with your new host family before traveling to talk about what you may want to pack.*





# Tri-City Christian Academy Wire Transfer Instructions

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**Beneficiary Bank:**

TD Bank

29 Weeks Ln.

Dover, NH 03820

Swift Code: NRTHUS33XXX

BiC: TDOMCATTOR (incoming foreign currency wires)

Note: 44iMT not 441MT

**Beneficiary:**

Tri-City Christian Academy

Account (Routing) Number: 011400071

**Additional Information to Include:**

Include name of the student