

Dear Ecuadorian Students and Host Parents,

As the end of your program approaches, you must start the process to get your grades convalidated. THIS IS VERY IMPORTANT as this is the only way to receive credit for your academic study in the US.

This packet contains all the information necessary to complete the convalidation process. This process will have to be completed after you return home, so ask your Host Family for help.

Tasks to do first:

- 1. Discuss with your International Agent where the convalidated documents should be sent to you or to the International Agent's office
- 2. Visit the website for the **Secretary of State** office for your state, using the **l**ist included in this packet, to verify the process and the cost for obtaining the Apostille. Be certain to check if certification of the notary's signature by the county clerk is necessary. Several states (KY, MD, NY, NC, OH, TN) have this requirement. If so, you will need to mail the notarized documents to the county clerk's office first.
- 3. Purchase a money order in the amount the Apostille will cost. Make your money order payable to the Secretary of State. The money order must be purchased from a U.S. Post Office.
- 4. If your state has a standard request form, use that form. If not, fill out the form titled "Request for the Apostille" in this packet and leave it with your host family along with the envelope addressed to the Secretary of State and a stamped envelope addressed to your host family. The form will need to be sent to the Secretary of State along with your official transcripts.
- 5. Contact your local state **Consulate**, using the consulate list included in this packet, to verify its mailing address and the cost of the convalidation service.
- 6. Purchase a money order in the amount the convalidation will cost. Make your money order payable to the Ecuadorian Consulate of your state. The money order must be purchased from a U.S. Post Office.
- 7. Fill out the form titled "Request for Convalidation of documents" and leave it with your host family along with the envelope addressed to the Consulate and an envelope addressed to either you or your International Agent stamped with sufficient postage for the documents to reach their final destination. The form will need to be sent to the consulate along with your official transcripts.

Start the process by following the steps below:

Ask your Guidance Counselor, using the enclosed form titled "Request for an official transcript," for your official transcripts and diploma (if received). Ask your guidance counselor to read through the letter, as there are important requirements needed on the transcript.

- · Your official school transcripts, which should include the following information:
 - Dates of attendance
 - Grade Level
 - Lists of subjects taken with final grades
 - Signature of principal or registrar, which needs to be notarized!!
 - Raised official school seal (if school does not have raised seal, a letter stating this from the school must be included).
- A letter on official school stationery, signed by the principal or registrar, stating that you have completed the requirements for the school year and earned a diploma if applicable.
- The Guidance Counselor is to send the transcript and letter to your Host Family, as noted on the "Request for an Official Transcript" form.

Ask your Host Family to continue the process by sending the below items to the Secretary of State of your state:

Once the above steps have been completed, your transcripts need to be sent to the Secretary of State of your state by Certified Mail - Return Receipt Requested, Leave five dollars with your Host Family for this. The envelope to the Secretary of State must include:

□ The state form or the attached form titled "Request for the Apostille."

- □ A letter on official school stationery, as detailed above.
- A money order in the correct amount, made payable to the Secretary of State
- □ A stamped envelope addressed to your host parents

Once the documents are returned from the Secretary of State, please ask your host family to continue the process by following the steps below:

- Send the form entitled "Request for Convalidation of Documents" along with the transcript of your grades, the school letter detailed above, and the Apostille from the Secretary of State to the Ecuadorian Consulate of your state.
- 2. Include a stamped, return envelope addressed to either you or your International Agent
- 3. Include the money order in the correct amount made payable to the Ecuadorian Consulate
- 4. Once the above steps have been completed, the envelope needs to be sent to the Ecuadorian Consulate by certified, return receipt requested mail

If you have any questions please call the ISE national office or your Area Representative.

Sincerely, International Student Exchange



REQUEST FOR AN OFFICAL TRANSCRIPT

Dear Guidance Counselor,

As this is the end of my program, it is time for me to begin the process of convalidation for my grades. This is very important to me because it is the only way for me to receive credit in my Native country for my US classes.

The official school transcript must include the following information:

- Dates of attendance
- Grade Level
- □ Lists of subjects taken with final grades
- □ Signature of principal or registrar, which needs to be *notarized*
- □ Raised official school seal (if school does not have raised seal, a letter stating this from the school must be included).

I would also request a separate letter, on official school stationery, signed by the principal or registrar, stating that I have completed the requirements for the school year (and earned a diploma if applicable).

As I will have returned home by the time these documents have been completed, I would ask that the information be forwarded to my Host Family. I have provided their address at the bottom of this letter.

Thank you very much for your attention to this matter. If you have any questions regarding this request please feel free to contact the ISE National office at 800-766-4656.

With best wishes,		
Signature of Student	_	
	Student Name:	
	Host Family Address:	



Date:		
REQUEST FOR THE APOSTILLE		
Dear Secretary of State,		
I am a foreign exchange student from Ecuador who recently complicated in my home country, I must have an official school transcript of State.		
Please find the notarized document enclosed which requires the Apostille. As I will have returned home by the time my transcript is issued, please return it to my host family, using the included stamped, return envelope.		
Thank you for your assistance in this matter. Your help is greatly ap	preciated.	
With best wishes,		
(Name of student)		
(Signature of student)		



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REQUEST FOR CONVALIDATION OF DOCUMENTS

(Signature of student)

Dear Ecuadorian Consular Official:	
I recently completed my academic program in the United States. I Apostille, which requires convalidation. Please return this docun addressed envelope, which I have included. Thank you for your	nent to me or my International Agent in the stamped, return
Sincerely,	
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(Name of student)	

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http://www.sos.ca.gov/business/notary/authentication.htm	http://www.nj.gov/treasury/revenue/dcr/programs/notary.shtml
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TSNavGID=1844	http://www.dos.state.ny.us/corps/apostiile.html
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