### **Steps for the I-20 Application Process**

### Change of Status

#### Requesting an I-20 Form:

META Language School USA is authorized by the United States Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) to issue the Form I-20 for those students who would like to apply for a Student Visa to study in the USA. To qualify for a Student Visa, students must be enrolled in a full-time course (18 hours per week) of studies and/or must be traveling to the US for the sole purpose of studying. You must inform us of your interest in applying for the Student Visa (F-1) on your application form.

META will issue you the Form I-20 after receiving your complete application package with all the necessary information and following documents to request your Form I-20. Please note that Forms I-20 can only be issued after you have been accepted and enrolled to META.

#### Information and documents needed from the student to issue an I-20:

- 1. Completed application with student's signature.
- 2. Financial Proof: We must receive a copy (can be an email):
  - A letter from the bank stating that the student has enough funds to pay for their program as well as their living expenses.
  - b. Bank statement (You should have in the bank a minimum of \$1,000 per month and \$500 a month more for each dependent) for living expenses plus \$2,500 for 6 months tuition.
  - c. If the account is not under the name of the student, the sponsorship letter form needs to be filled out by the sponsor.
- 3. Copy of your passport and any dependents

4.	Copy of I-94	

5.	Initial Payment			
	☐ Registration Fee Individual:			\$150
	☐ Registration Fee Family (2 or more)			\$250
	☐ 1st four-week tuition	AM: \$440; PM: \$420; Weekends: \$42	20	
		<u>To</u>	<u>otal:</u>	<u>\$</u>
6.	Payment upon visa approval			
	☐ Books fee:		\$	70-100
		<u>To</u>	otal:	<u>\$</u>

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# STEP 1

- •Student makes an appointment with META to start process.
- •Student brings all requested paperwork.
- •Student takes placement test.
- •Student pays application fees.

# STEP 2

- •META process application and issues I-20.
- •Note: META recommends consulting with an immigration lawyer to submit paperwork to avoid any errors that could lead to the denial of the application.

## STEP 3

•Immigration will notify the student and/or the school of their decision.

For updated information on any immigration fees or policies please visitvisit the U.S. Department of Homeland Security, Study in the States website at: <a href="https://studyinthestates.dhs.gov/students">https://studyinthestates.dhs.gov/students</a>