



INTERNATIONAL HOMESTAY PROGRAM

International Student Homestay Agreement – General Information

1. It is understood that Westcoast Experience Ltd. will find and approve all homestays for students on VISA. The best possible home will be found for each student.
2. Difficulties between the student and host family should be discussed with the school's Headmaster and Westcoast Experience Ltd.
3. The student must respect and follow the Host Family's rules.
4. The student is expected to participate in family activities and do general chores shared by the family.
5. The student must make sure the Host Family knows where he/she is at all times.
6. The student must ask permission to spend a night at a friend's house. (Sleepovers are permitted on weekends or holidays only.) The Host Family parent should receive a phone call from the friend's parents to confirm the student's overnight plans.
7. The student will be home for dinner each weeknight evening (unless participating in a school function or activity).
8. The student will be in the house on weeknights by 10:00pm and lights out at 11:00pm.
9. The student will be in the house on Friday and Saturday night by 12:00 midnight.
10. Homework must be completed before going out on a Saturday night.
11. The student must give the Host family and school one week's notice (except in emergencies) for all appointments.
12. Students are expected to attend school in proper uniform each day.
13. The student must ask permission of the Host Family parent before inviting guests home.
14. The student must keep his/her room clean and tidy. They must vacuum their room and empty the garbage can at least once a week.
15. Local telephone calls cannot be made before 7:00am or after 10:00pm.
16. The student must pay for all long distance calls he/she makes.
17. The student will respect the privacy and belongings of the Host Family.

18. When an English speaking person is in the room, it is polite to speak only English.

(** Failure to adhere to the above expectations may jeopardize the student's enrolment in the International Student Program where they are currently registered)

Payment

All homestay fees are to be paid directly to the Host Family and must be done so a minimum of one month in advance. A fee is also charged every time a student, at his or her request, moves to another family. Reasons for the request must be valid and cannot be based on race, occupation or cultural differences.

Costs:	\$750 per month (General Homestay fee) \$200 re-placement at student's request
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Cancellation and Refund

1. If the student decides to travel during their stay with their Host Family, he/she must inform the Host Family of travel plans and provide a number where he/she can be contacted (if necessary). There will be no refund of fees in this case.
2. If the student terminates their stay with the Host Family for personal reasons, he/she will give the Host Family a one month notice or will compensate the Host Family for the remaining portion of the agreement unless the Host Family is in obvious breach of the agreement.
3. In the case where a Host Family is forced to cancel the homestay arrangement for unexpected reasons, Westcoast Experience Ltd. will arrange for another homestay immediately.
4. The school reserves the right to terminate the homestay contract with the student in the following cases:
 - Where the student causes physical or mental harm to members of the Host Family or visitors to the family's home
 - Where the student causes damage to the Host Family's home or property
 - Where the student is in violation of the law
5. The student is responsible for making full reparations to the Host Family and no refund will be given to the participant in the event of an agreement termination.

Liability

1. The Host Family will not be held responsible for loss of property or physical harm to the student except in a case where the Host Family has broken the law. The student

understands that most Canadian home insurance policies do not cover the loss of a visitor's property taken in a robbery of the home.

2. The Host Family may secure medical treatment for the student in the event of illness or injury without liability.
3. The student and his/her parents agree that they will release and hold the school or Westcoast Experience Ltd. harmless for any damages suffered or claimed as a result of entering into this agreement and without limiting the generality of the foregoing, for any action or behaviour of any member of the Host Family during his/her stay. Participants and Host Families are bound by the same laws and statutes as Canadian citizens.

I have read and agree to abide by the expectations/rules outlined in the **International Student Homestay Agreement**.

Date: _____

Parent Signature: _____

Student Signature: _____



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2. The Host Family will provide basic furniture which includes a bed, closet, desk or study table, chair and good lighting in the student's room. This room will not be shared without the consent of the Headmaster or Westcoast Experience Ltd.
3. The Host Family will provide a clean and safe environment within the home. The student will be responsible for the cleanliness of his/her own room only.
4. The Host Family will provide room and board. This includes three healthy meals a day. An evening meal will be prepared and eaten with the family. Small snacks should be available to the student.
5. The Host Family will provide the student with a key to the house.
6. The Host Family will contact Westcoast Experience Ltd. immediately if difficulties arise and work together towards resolving these issues.
7. The Host Family will not require the student to baby-sit or demand the student do housework apart from keeping his/her room and bathroom clean and general chores shared by the family.
8. The Host Family will make an effort to show the student local places of interest during their stay with them and continue to include the student in the family's activities for the duration of the student's stay. (A suggested minimum would be a family activity once a month.)
9. In the event the Host Family is away from home during the student's stay, the Host Family will make arrangements for someone to perform the obligations under this agreement during their absence or include the student with the activities and take the student with them.
10. The Host Family will arrange for transportation to and from school for the student unless it is reasonable for the student to walk, which includes Saturday School if applicable.
11. Each day, Host Parents may be required to review with the student their agenda, signing it. At that time, the Host Parents can clarify any questions the student has about their homework.
12. The Host Family should create dialogue with the student on a regular basis. The student should spend time reading to a member of the family on a regular basis.

13. The Host Parents will ensure the student gets to school on time each day.
14. Host Parents must attend all Host Family meetings called by Westcoast Experience Ltd.
15. Host Parents are expected to take students to the doctor and dentist appointments, music lessons, etc. as well as to and from the airport when leaving and arriving.
16. Host Parents are expected to attend Parent/Teacher interviews.
17. The Host Parents will either do their student's laundry or instruct the student on using the washer and dryer.

Remuneration

1. Remuneration will be \$750.00 per month for the room and board. The student will pay \$750 for the first month's board and at the same time pay \$750.00 damage deposit. This second payment can be used to pay the last month's rent.
2. If the student wishes to be involved in a family activity that has cost associated with it, the Host Family will cover the cost. If the student wishes to be involved in an extra activity not involving the family, the student should pay the costs.

Cancellation

1. If the Host Family wishes to terminate the homestay before the agreed time, it should be on reasonable grounds and must allow the school at least one clear month to find a new home for the student.
2. If the student terminates the homestay, the Host Family will receive advanced notice of one clear month or if less than one month notice is given, will be compensated by the student for the remaining portion of the one month clear notice of departure unless it is obvious that the Host Family is in breach of the agreement. Any payment that has been made to the Host Family beyond this termination date must be refunded to the school.
3. If the Host Family does not meet the requirements or criteria of the Homestay Program or breaches any of the terms and conditions contained in this agreement, Westcoast Experience Ltd. will have the right to immediately terminate participation in the program.
4. The Host Family is expected to provide a welcoming and secure environment. If it is discovered that there are problems in the home, the student will be removed. If improper physical advances toward a student occur, the student will be removed immediately from the home and legal action taken if warranted. Westcoast Experience Ltd. has the right to remove a student without the usual advance notice if the situation is unsatisfactory.

5. The Host Family will refund the balance of the remuneration to the school immediately if this agreement is terminated by Westcoast Experience Ltd.

Liability

1. The Host Family will not be held responsible for loss of property or physical harm to the student except in a case where the Host Family has broken the law.
2. The Host Family may secure medical treatment for the student in the event of illness or injury without liability. This will be agreed to by the student and/or guardian prior to the homestay term.
3. The Host Family will maintain comprehensive liability insurance on their property for the duration of this contract and will provide Westcoast Experience Ltd. with proof of such insurance upon request.

I have read the terms stated in the **International Host Family Agreement** and I agree to abide by them as a condition of my participation in the program.

Date: _____

Host Mother's Name: _____

Host Mother's Signature: _____

Date: _____

Host Father's Name: _____

Host Father's Signature: _____



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