



RICHMOND
INTERNATIONAL
STUDENT PROGRAMS

Host Family / Student Agreement

This agreement outlines the responsibilities for both students and host families and addresses the school district's expectations with regards to the financial arrangements made between the parties.

1) It is understood that: host parents will act as honest and reasonable parents of the International student in their home. Host families will provide the students with three (3) nutritious meals per day and the visiting student will enjoy the same privileges and opportunities enjoyed by the family's own children of similar age. Students will be welcomed into the home with the spirit that they are new members of the family and the family agrees to provide them with the appropriate care, supervision and guidance that is consistent with being a responsible parent.

2) In return, it is understood that: the student will share the same responsibilities to the host parents and to the general household as those held by the family's own children of similar age. The student agrees to follow all house rules regarding behavior, curfews, attendance at meals, and appropriate chores normally undertaken by the family's children or assigned by the host parents.

Homestay fees: Please indicate option A or B

A ☐ The School District will collect all homestay fees upon application and will pay the monthly fee to the host family while the student is present in the home and attending School District #38 program.

B ☐ The School District will collect and pay the first and last month homestay fees accordingly. All other monthly fees (\$900.00 per month) are to be paid in full to the host family on or before the last day of each month in which the student is present in the home and attending the School District #38 program. The amount for any full calendar month is not to exceed, or be less than, \$900.00. If the student who has paid the \$900 monthly fee should leave the home prior to the completion of the month, a discretionary refund may be granted depending on the reason for leaving.

3) With respect to the homestay fee, the following is understood and is agreed to by both host parents and students. Early arrival days and airport pick up are included as part of the program. Students are expected to arrive up to a week (7 days) early for Orientation and ESL testing. Thirty dollars (\$30) per night will be paid by the student if the student arrives more than 7 days early. Extra days at the end of the stay in June will be charged at \$30.00 per night and collected from the student directly. It is expected that a student will stay in our homestay program for the duration of the enrolled academic program. If a student and host parent are having difficulties getting along the homestay coordinator will provide advice and work closely with all involved to improve the situation. On many occasions the problem is basic miscommunication, a misunderstanding or language barrier and these issues can usually be resolved quickly. If a good honest effort in a reasonable amount of time has been made by both student and host parent and the situation is not any better than a new homestay within our program will be arranged without an added charge.

In the event that a student is demanding to be moved against our recommendation then a second placement fee **may** be charged to move the student.

Opting out of our Homestay Program: in order for a student to move into a privately arranged homestay the host family must meet the ISP necessary criteria. The student **and** custodian must supply the ISP office in person with an official approved document including all current contact information.

Examples of refundable homestay fees are: returning home for a verified medical emergency.

Breach of the terms of the homestay contract by the homestay.

Examples of non-refundable homestay fees are: voluntary exiting from the program or expulsion from the program. In the event of a refund the homestay family shall charge \$30.00 per night for the number of nights the student has been in the home and refund the balance owing to the student.

4) It is also understood that:

Students will not pay a damage deposit, security deposit, storage fee, or any other similar moneys to the host family.

Students will be responsible for any outstanding bills or other expenses which are directly attributable to the student, that come to the family following the student's departure from the homestay.

Students are responsible for making their own insurance arrangements for personal belongings. Neither Richmond School District #38 nor the host families are responsible for the student's personal belongings during the homestay program. Students must promptly reimburse their homestay family if they cause any damage in the home (outside normal wear and tear).



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Students will pay the home stay fee, in full, for each academic month regardless of the date school begins / ends or absences due to Christmas holidays and Spring Break.

If a student remains in the home stay during summer holidays and is not attending or participating in a School District #38 program, then the arrangements for the homestay fee will be between the host family and the student at the monthly rate of \$900.00 or, if less than one month, the daily rate of \$30.00.

5) Students and Host Parents agree to the above by signing below:

_____ Natural parent	_____ Signature	_____ Date
_____ Student Name	_____ Signature	_____ Date
_____ Host Parent	_____ Signature	_____ Date