

HOMESTAY PROGRAM AGREEMENT FOR HOSTS

Thank you for your interest in participating in College of the Rockies' Homestay Program ("the Program"). All household members 19 years or older ("Hosts") are asked to read, understand and agree to comply with the terms and conditions of this Homestay Program Agreement.

Host #1: _____
PRINT Last name, First name

Host #2: _____
PRINT Last name, First name

Host #3: _____
PRINT Last name, First name

Host #4: _____
PRINT Last name, First name

Address of Homestay: _____

All hosts must initial to indicate they have read and understood this section.

HOMESTAY ELIGIBILITY

- Hosts must truthfully complete a homestay application (one per family). Additional requirements include a host interview, criminal record check for all hosts (updated at least once every five years), and scheduled home visits by Program staff (or on demand inspections, in the case of an emergency).
- All hosts must review and complete the Homestay Program Agreement.
- Hosts must promptly inform the Program of any changes to the information provided in the homestay application or interview, including people moving in or out, the addition/loss of pets, new contact information, arrests and charges of criminal offences for any individual in the home (adult or child), or significant changes to employment status or health that would impact their ability to host students.
- It is understood that the Program will attempt to match the homestay profile with a suitable College of the Rockies (College) international student, but student placements are not guaranteed.

HOMESTAY FEES

- Upon arrival and on the monthly anniversary of the arrival date, the student will pay the homestay fee (\$925) directly to the Host. Homestay fees are non-refundable.
- If the Program deems it necessary to find alternate accommodation for the student, the Host will refund the student the remaining days of the month that the student is no longer in the home at the daily rate equivalent to the monthly homestay fee divided by 30 days.
- Fifteen days' notice prior to the homestay fee due date is required if the student or Host chooses to terminate the homestay agreement. The student or the Host must promptly inform the homestay coordinator of all homestay terminations. If a student does NOT give fifteen days' notice, the student is required to pay half of the next month's homestay fee.
- If a student is temporarily placed in another home due to the Hosts' absence, the Hosts will pay the nightly fee directly to the temporary host family. If the student makes their own arrangements, the Hosts will refund the nightly fee directly to the student.

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- Students are responsible for paying for any damages which can be directly attributable to the student, beyond normal wear and tear.

HOMESTAY EXPECTATIONS

- The homestay will provide: a private furnished room, food for three meals per day, shared use of a bathroom, access to laundry facilities, use of household linens, miscellaneous items used by all members of the household (toilet paper, soap, detergent), a key to the home and/or an access code for the door lock, and transportation to and from the airport upon arrival and departure.
- Hosts will familiarize themselves with and abide by Program guidelines outlined in the Host Handbook.
- Hosts understand that they will be living with a student from another culture and will make a reasonable effort to thoroughly explain the expectations, routines, and daily schedule of the host family.
- Hosts recognize that international students are a vulnerable population, due to their age, English ability, and/or cultural differences. Thus, Hosts must not put the student(s) in any situations that are inappropriate or exploitive, including but not limited to subjecting students to sexual advances or misconduct.
- Hosts confirm that no one living in or regularly visiting the home is party to a restraining order or has a criminal record, addiction, history of abusive behavior, or other issue that might put the student at risk.
- The Homestay Coordinator, or a designate of the Program, will be the official mediator for dispute resolution, when conflicts cannot be resolved directly between the Host and student.
- Hosts agree to having their name, address, telephone number and email address included on the Program Homestay List and to having this information circulated to students and other Hosts.
- Student information is confidential and private and provided to Hosts for the sole purpose of facilitating the homestay placement. This information must not be copied, redistributed, or shared.
- International students are not permitted to operate vehicles belonging to the Host family. Host vehicles used for student transport must be in good operating condition and comply with all British Columbia safety, registration, and insurance regulations.

ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS AND LIMITS OF LIABILITY

- To ensure their home insurance policy adequately covers student(s) residing within their home, hosts must:
 - Ensure a minimum of one-million-dollar home liability insurance.
 - Inform homeowner/renter's insurance company that they will be hosting one or more international students to ensure that the policy covers liability in the event of injury, theft, fire, flood, etc.
 - Be aware of insurance company's restrictions on coverage (such as mysterious disappearance, theft).
- Hosts acknowledge that they are not entering into an employment relationship with the College and are not entitled to receive salary or benefits, including workers' compensation.
- Hosts assume any and all risks related to participation in the Program.
- Hosts must indemnify and save harmless the College and the College's employees and agents from any loss, claim (including any claim of infringement of third-party intellectual property rights), damage award, action, cause of action, cost or expense that the College or any of the College's employees or agents may sustain, incur, suffer or be put to at any time, either before or after this Agreement ends, (each a "Loss") to the extent the Loss is directly or indirectly caused or contributed to by any act or omission by the Hosts or by any of the Host's agents in connection with this Agreement; or any representation or warranty of the Hosts being or becoming untrue or incorrect.

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- Hosts agree that any litigation arising in any way out of participation in the Program will be resolved in a British Columbia Court according to the laws of the province.
- Students may be removed without notice or cause at the discretion of the Manager of International Education. The Program has the right to terminate this homestay agreement at any time without further compensation to the Host if this agreement is breached or if the homestay environment is deemed no longer suitable in the opinion of the Program. These circumstances include, but are not limited to sexual misconduct, violence or threats of violence, harassment, discrimination, use or possession of illegal drugs, theft, or violations of fire codes.

SIGNATURES

By signing below, we confirm that we have read, understood, and agree to abide by the terms and conditions of this agreement.

Host #1 Signature: _____ Date: _____

Host #2 Signature: _____ Date: _____

Host #3 Signature: _____ Date: _____

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