



# Davis Housing Services

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## **HOST FAMILY PLACEMENT AGREEMENT**

This Agreement is to define the services, terms and conditions, and requirements for hosting with the Davis Housing Services (DHS). This Agreement is between Davis Housing Services, Host Family, and Student.

### **DHS SERVICES TO STUDENTS AND HOST FAMILIES**

- DHS will do its utmost to provide suitable match between student and host family based on the applications and profiles.
- DHS will provide extensive support to students and host families to ensure a positive multi-cultural exchange and English immersion experience.
- DHS will conduct regular visits to host families.
- DHS will inform student with Davis local resources, knowledge, and experience.
- DHS will inform host families of upcoming programs for program selection and availability.
- DHS will provide profiles of host family and student as well as timely information on program dates.
- DHS will provide extensive support and counseling to host families and students during homestay term.
- DHS carries liability insurance to protect host families against any expense not covered by their homeowner's or renter's insurance policy.
- In the event that a problem cannot be resolved successfully, the DHS will work with the family and student to coordinate a move.

### **HOST FAMILY REQUIREMENTS**

- Host family agrees to provide a warm and nurturing environment for their student(s).
- Host family provides a private furnished bedroom with a private or shared bathroom. The room is furnished with a bed (including linens, pillow and blankets), a desk with chair, appropriate lighting, a dresser or place to store clothing and belonging.
- Host family provides internet access for students.
- Host family provides access to laundry facilities for the student(s). Student(s) will do their own laundry.
- Host family provides nutritional and well-balanced meals in according to selected meal plans.
- Host family provides the student(s) with a house key and alarm codes as appropriate.
- Host family provide English-speaking environment at home.
- Host family helps student with map orientation, public transportation system, and bike rental.
- Host family provides a written receipt for student's stipend payment.
- Host family provides occasional transportation for group pick-ups or drop-offs.
- Host family report any serious illness, injury, accident or incident to DHS as soon as possible.
- Host family agrees to make alternative arrangement to have a responsible adult to perform the required tasks. DHS must be notified in advance of the family's absence.
- Host family requesting a student to be moved must provide DHS with written notice. Host family agrees to refund pro-rated amounts to the student. Payment must be made in cash or cashier's check at time of student departure.

## STUDENT REQUIREMENTS

- Student must review the Homestay Contract with their host family and return a signed copy to the DHS.
- Unless other payment arrangement is made as part of a group, independent student in long-term programs pay host family directly on a monthly basis.
- Student agrees to pay stipend within the first 3 day on the month.
- Stipend payments vary on the meal plans as shown below. These rates are effective as of September 20, 2016.

Meal Plans	Stipend Amount (\$US)	Room
3	\$29/day	Private - Furnished
2	\$27/day	Private - Furnished
0 (No Meals)	\$22/day	Private - Furnished
3	\$25/day	Shared - Furnished
2	\$23/day	Shared - Furnished

- On 2-meal plans, breakfast and dinner are included on school days (Monday to Friday). On weekend (Saturday and Sunday) and holidays, 3 meals per day are included.
- Student who are vacationing and traveling away from their host family's home for 4 **consecutively** nights pay their host family the private room rate of \$22/night. Student must provide written notice of travel plans 7 days in advance to host family.
- Student agrees to participate in daily home life and activities.
- Student agrees to clean up after themselves in the kitchen, bedroom, bathroom, and shared areas.
- Student agrees to prepare and pack their own breakfast and lunch on the 3-meal plan.
- Student agrees to pay for long distance telephone calls.
- Student must respect and obey the host family's household rules.
- Student may not bring guests to the host family's home without prior permission.
- Student is responsible for any damages to host family's property that is made by the student.
- Student wishing to move prior to the end date of the Homestay Contract must give the host family 30 days written notice, or pay the equivalent amount. Both host family and student must notify DHS of this move as soon as possible.

### EXCLUSION OF LIABILITY

The Student and Host Family will each accept full risk and responsibility for any injury and damage that may occur arising from their respective participation in the homestay program. The Student and Host Family will each release and forever discharge Davis Housing Services, its respective owners, agents and employees, from all actions, causes of actions, suits, claims, or demands whatsoever, that may arise from their participation in the homestay program.

***By signing this Agreement, all parties agree to abide by all terms, conditions, and requirements.***

Host Family Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Printed Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

DHS Representative Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Printed Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_