



Host an International Student!

Homestay Program Overview

The Homestay Program is an opportunity for cultural exchange between Canadians and international students. Our host families are an integral part of our International Student Program; their active and enthusiastic participation in our program enhances each student's cultural experience and ensures that students can maximize their time in Canada.

Our International Student Program

Every year we have an average of 45 students from such countries as Germany, Spain, Italy, Brazil, Czech Republic, Japan, Mexico, Finland, Ukraine, Chile, and Switzerland attend Canadian Rockies Public Schools. Some of these students attend one semester (5 months from September to end of January or from February to June); however, the majority are enrolled in our full year program (10 months from September to June).

We are thrilled that you are interested in hosting one of our students!

Thank you for your willingness to share your home.



Expectations of a Host Family

- Provide student with their own bedroom with desk, chair and appropriate privacy
- Three generous, nutritious meals a day plus reasonable snacks and beverages
- Using your own unique talents and caring approach, making student feel accepted, welcome and making them a part of your family
- Helping student adjust and adapt to life in the Bow Valley; providing opportunities to socialize and meet people; and promoting social and mental well being
- Doing things together with student for example: cooking meals together, playing board games, going hiking, skiing, sightseeing, shopping in Calgary, visiting a friend's house, and showing them our amazing area
- Expressing an interest in student's school work and their daily activities and hobbies
- Providing academic support by taking an interest to know how student is doing with course work and asking the program for help/support if needed
- Attending parent/teacher meetings if required
- Providing internet access/WiFi and discussing boundaries
- Being a "stand-in-parent" to the student; providing a safe environment for growing and learning
- Being open to share and learn from student

Application Process

- 1. Fill out this application and forward to <u>homestay@crps.ca</u> including two references.
- 2. Complete an interview by Homestay Coordinator to determine suitability
- 3. A homestay inspection will be conducted

Successful Applicants

- Will be required to submit a Vulnerable Sector Check which can be obtained from their local RCMP detachment; this will apply to anyone living in the household who is 18 years and older
- Receive a bank transfer form for monthly homestay payments

Homestay Coordinator's Role and Responsibilities

- 24/7 support for families and students
- Remuneration of \$1300.00/month paid the first week of each month
- Regular activities for international students and host families
- A fun and exciting program that showcases CRPS and community





Application Form

Name	Last Name		Date of Birth (mm/dd/yyyy)
Street address (and suite # / PO Box # if applicable)		Postal Code	
Home Telephone #	Cell #		Email Address
Occupation		Work #	

Spouse Name	Last Name		Date of Birth (mm/dd/yyyy)
Cell #		Email Address	
Occupation		Work #	

Do you have children?

- 🗌 Yes
- 🗌 No

If yes, please fill in the following:

Name	Gender	Date of Birth (mm/dd/yyyy)
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How did you hear of this hosting opportunity?

- U Word of Mouth
- 🗌 Radio Ad
- □ Newspaper
- CRPS Website
- Other: _____

Were you referred to us by someone?

- 🗌 Yes
- 🗌 No

If yes, please tell us who so we can thank them.

Please tell us why your family would like to host an international student.

Student Information

Would you like to host:

female student

male student

no preference

How many students can you host?

One
Two

Comments

Hosting Term

- One Semester (5 months)
 - September January OR
 - February June
- Full Year (10 Months)
 - September June
- I am available for Short Term / Relief for current families
 - ☐ Yes, please contact me to discuss my availability.

□ Vacation Relief is Required during my hosting term

Please List dates

Please describe your home.

- □ Single-Family Home
- Duplex
- Townhouse
- Condominium

Please describe the accommodation available for the student including a private or shared bathroom.

About your family

What is your family's religious belief?

Does your family have any dietary restrictions?

- 🗌 Yes
- 🗌 No

If yes, please explain

What type of hobbies, activities, and sports does your family enjoy doing together? Please list

Do you speak any languages other than English* in your home?

- 🗌 Yes
- 🗌 No

If yes, what language/languages do you speak?

*NOTE: Students are coming to Canada to improve their English skills so speaking English in the home when students are around is expected.

Do you have pets?

Yes
No

If yes, please tell us about them.

Please describe what your family does typically Mon-Fri including evenings (from 4:00pm to bedtime)

Please describe what a typical weekend looks like for your family (seasonal spaces are provided):

Fall

Winter

Spring

Chores

What chores do your children do?

What chores would you have the international student do?

Other

Does anyone in your household smoke? Consume alcohol?

cigarettes

Yes
 No
 Outside only
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alcohol	
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Yes
No

*Please note that international students participating in our program have signed a Student Participation Agreement that states they are forbidden to use drugs or consume alcohol.

Reference #1

Name & Email Address/Telephone #

Reference #2

Name & Email Address/Telephone #

Additional Comments or Requests

Date of Application

Please email this form to homestay@crps.ca

Procedure:

1) Print out form \rightarrow email

2) Print \rightarrow Save as PDF \rightarrow email

*The information listed on this form may be lost if saved as a doc.