

Host Family Responsibilities & Expectations

As part of language and cultural immersion while attending Dayton Christian School, international students live with host families for 10 consecutive months. This arrangement fosters a wonderful experience for a student and a host family. Homestay program is a sharing of cultures and not simply a room and board arrangement. Host families have a direct and long-lasting influence on their international student(s), and with all the benefits enjoyed by host families there are also responsibilities.

- Be a responsible guardian and liaison between a student and Dayton Christian
- Provide a separate room, meals, in-home Internet access, and engage student in family activities.
- Arrange transportation to/from Dayton Christian daily.
- Engage a student in your church community through regular in-person attendance.
- Provide rules and guidelines for a student to follow, as if he/she was your own child.
- Attend parent/teacher conferences and other mandatory school-related meetings.
- Help your international student arrange and get medical care when necessary. Note: international students are required to have medical insurance
- Refrain from engaging in illegal or dangerous activities.
- Communicate with the Admissions Office if:
 - > Your family is traveling with your international student out of the Dayton area.
 - Your family is traveling without your international student, and you need a respite home arrangement (a respite home can be provided once a year);
 - > Your international student is seriously injured, ill, or hospitalized.

Host families receive financial compensation in the amount of \$1,000 per month. Families with students at Dayton Christian School may receive tuition compensation in lieu of a monthly check. Host families are invited to contribute some or all the homestay allowance back to Dayton Christian School as a tax-deductible donation.

Dayton Christian School supports host families and international students throughout the homestay experience, including but not limited to host family and international student orientations, mediation of conflict, monthly support groups. If either party wishes to terminate the homestay agreement due to unforeseen circumstances, other accommodations will be arranged without judgement.