



BUTTE-GLENN COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT
3536 Butte Campus Drive, Oroville, CA 95965

International Student Homestay Program
HOST AGREEMENT AND GUIDELINES

This International Student Homestay Host Agreement ("Agreement") is entered into by and between Butte-Glenn Community College District ("District") and _____ (name of Host) ("Host") concerning Host's participation in the Butte-Glenn Community College District Homestay Program ("Program").

1. Program Definitions.

A **Homestay** living arrangement is when a student has at the minimum: a private bedroom with a bed, bedding, desk, dresser, private or shared bathroom, and access to main living areas. These are minimum requirements and hosts are encouraged to make the students living arrangement as comfortable as possible. In addition to home requirements, two meals a day are to be provided for the student (breakfast and dinner). The breakfast meal does not need to be prepared but adequate food needs to be available for the student to prepare a healthy meal. Dinner is to be provided, prepared and preferably eaten with the family or host at dinner time to encourage conversation between the host and student. All utilities are to be included in the monthly rent with the exception of long distance phone calls. Students are encouraged to purchase a phone card or cell phone to make any long distance phone calls.

A **Homeshare** living arrangement includes all of the benefits and minimum requirements of the Homestay arrangement with the exception that no meals are provided or prepared for the student. This option is to provide hosts and students more flexibility in their work and school schedules. Reasonable efforts should always be made to include the student in family events and shopping trips when possible to maintain the spirit of the Homestay/ Homeshare program.

2. Program Fees.

Host agrees to accept \$700.00 per month (\$23.33 per day) as payment for participating as a Homestay Host and agrees that this payment includes housing, two meals per day (breakfast and dinner) Monday through Friday, three meals per day on weekends, and all utilities except for long distance telephone use.

Host agrees to accept \$500.00 per month (\$16.66 per day). As payment for participating as a Homeshare Host and agrees that this payment includes housing and all utilities except for long distance telephone use, but does not include food being purchased or meals being prepared for the Participant.

Host agrees to accept a \$300.00 security deposit at the time the student moves into their home. This security deposit will cover the cost of any unpaid bills or damages done to the property by the student while living in the Host's home. Host agrees to return the security deposit or a written statement of why all or part of their deposit is being kept to the student as soon as possible after the student moves out.

3. Program Guidelines.

- The Homestay application process includes a home visit and interview by District staff. Once an interview has been completed and a potential host and student match has been identified, the student will be given the host's telephone number(s) and/or e-mail address.
- The responsibilities of participating in Homestay include attending a Homestay Orientation and maintaining contact with the District's Homestay Coordinator.
- District supports Homestay students academically and offers optional co-curricular activities such as student clubs and organizations, athletics, counseling & academic advising services, career services, limited immigration assistance, etc.
- The goal of Homestay is to help students feel like a member of the host family. Hosts are expected to make every effort to treat students as family members not as guests.
- Hosts are expected to provide students with a room, bathroom facilities, meals or a kitchen facility as well as laundry facilities.

4. As a Host in the International Student Homestay Program I agree to:

- Be familiar with and adhere to the Program guidelines.

- Welcome my student as my family and respect agreed-upon boundaries.
- Help my student adapt to my home and family, as well as to life and culture in the U.S.
- Provide a safe home environment including a bed, a place to study and meals.
- Familiarize my student with the community and its resources and actively engage in learning about my student's traditions, customs, etc.
- Provide a receipt for each stipend payment to educate my student regarding customary practices in leasing in the U.S.

5. Indemnification. I, to the extent allowed by law, shall defend, indemnify and forever hold harmless District, its trustees, agents, employees, representatives and volunteers free and harmless from and against any and all liability, claims, losses, expenses, judgments, or demands, I or my family members may have, including demands arising from injuries or death of persons and damage to property, arising directly or indirectly out of my participation in the Program.

6. Assumption of Risk. I acknowledge that I am participating in the Program at my own risk and I agree to assume all risks inherent in this participation. I further agree to assume full responsibility for any injury to person or property that may occur in the homestay arrangement.

7. Limitation of Liability. I understand that in no event shall District have any liability to me for any indirect, special, incidental or consequential damages, however caused, and under any theory of liability, whether or not District has been advised of the possibility of such damages. Further, District shall not be named as a party, called as a witness, or served discovery requests in any dispute between me and host family regarding the financial dealings between me and host family.

8. Warranty. I understand that District does not conduct a background investigation of the student. I further understand that District does not expressly or impliedly warranty or guarantee as to the compatibility or suitability of the match between the Host and the student or the suitability of the homestay arrangement itself.

I have read and understood the above. I agree to participate in the Homestay Program accordingly.

Host's name (PLEASE PRINT): _____

Host's Signature: _____ Date: _____

Contact Information:
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