

HOMESTAY FAMILY CONTRACT

Thank you for becoming a homestay family for BROWNS English Language School. We understand that this is a big responsibility and situations will be different with every BROWNS student. Keeping that in mind, there are some guidelines that need to be adhered to during your time as a BROWNS homestay family. If, for some reason, you do not comply with the following standards, your services will no longer be used by BROWNS English Language School. Each family must sit an interview with the Homestay Coordinator and complete a homestay application form.

Homestay families are required but not limited to comply with the following:

- ❖ Provide a comfortable, safe and nurturing environment, realizing the difficulties of leaving the comforts of home and traveling to a different country while acknowledging the significance of culture, language, customs and beliefs.
- ❖ Provide a private bed, desk, wardrobe and lamp in a clean warm bedroom along with laundry facilities, and healthy meals. (If hosting a Halal student, there should only be Halal meat being served. This strictly excludes any pork products.)
- ❖ Provide an orientation with the family allowing the student to get acquainted with the house rules, family members and the Australian way of life. Communication is the key!
- ❖ There must be an adult present every night for the duration of the student's stay.
- ❖ Ensure that there are no more than two students at any given time being hosted by the family.
- ❖ Do not host more than one student from any linguistic background (unless twin-share is requested). English must be spoken at all times by the family and students alike.
- ❖ A student is not to share a bedroom unless previously requested.
- ❖ Respect the student's right to privacy but include them in family activities.
- ❖ Help the student and offer support for daily tasks and studying while having patience.
- ❖ Include the student in family activities and treat them as you would treat a member of your family (included in chores and weekend activities).
- ❖ Everyone living at the residence who is over 18 must hold a current Blue Card issued by the Commissioner of Declaration for Children and Young People.
- ❖ If the Student wishes to extend their homestay, they must come to reception at BROWNS English Language School to complete the process.
- ❖ Under no circumstances should there be money exchanged directly with the student regarding rent. All money transactions regarding homestay rent will be dealt with by BROWNS English Language School only.
- ❖ You will be paid by BROWNS English Language School by direct deposit into your nominated bank account every two weeks beginning on the Tuesday after the student arrives at your home.
- ❖ Contact the BROWNS Homestay Coordinator with any issues or questions at any time by email: accommodation@brownsels.com.au or by phone: 0422 280 669.

Signature

Name

Date

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