MID-PACIFIC INSTITUTE
HOMESTAY PROGRAM

HOST FAMILY RESPONSIBILITIES

• **Accommodations:** Students require a comfortable homelike atmosphere for the duration of their stay with you. The essentials of this include private sleeping accommodations, bathing facilities, in-house laundry facilities, and a quiet place with a desk for studying.

• **Food:** It is the responsibility of the host family to provide a variety of nutritional, well-balanced meals (breakfast, lunch, and dinner) everyday and weekends. Lunch can be at the school during the week, with the host family providing the money for lunch. Dinner should be with the family. We expect the students to fit in with the meal schedule of the family as much as possible. Students can help prepare food or occasionally prepare their own if you allow.

• **Transportation:** The host family must provide transportation to and from school. This can take the form of the host family driving each day, to and from school, or the host paying for our school-contracted private busing service (if in your area), city buses, or car pooling.

• **Entertainment:** We encourage host families to involve the student in their activities as much as possible. You are not totally responsible for entertaining the student beyond what you would normally do with your own children. The student should have personal funds to pay for additional entertainment outside of family activities.

• **Cellular Phones:** Arrange cellular phone contract for student if needed. Students will be responsible for the monthly charges.

• **Curfew /Rules:** The students are obligated to follow the rules of the family with which they are staying. They are expected to follow your rules as they relate to weekday and weekend curfews as well as any other rules you may establish for behavior. Use of drugs, alcohol, tobacco, or disrespect to the host family is cause for student's dismissal from your home as well as additional consequence from Mid-Pacific Institute. An additional $500 fee will be charged to the student if there is a need for replacement of a host family for any of the above stated reasons.

• **Insurance:** All students are required to obtain their own medical insurance. Host families can take their student to see their family doctor, to the student’s doctor, or directly to the hospitals for emergencies.

• **Homestay Fee:** The fee is set at $1,000 per month and will be a direct transaction between the student’s family and the host family.

• **Guardian Fee (if applicable):** The guardian fee is set at $200 per month (in addition to the monthly $1,000). Optional for the host family, but highly recommended by the program. As a guardian, you will take on the responsibility of a secondary parent.

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