

Thank you for taking an interest in hosting an international student. Below you will find some of the most commonly requested information.

- * Students are expected to attend church with you at least once a week. Please be sensitive towards your student when asking them to attend family devotions or church activities. Students may not feel comfortable attending but they may not want to offend your family. These should be optional.
- * A private room should be provided for your student. The student's room should include a bed, dresser, closet, desk and adequate lighting. The room must also meet local fire codes (having windows or doors that open to the outside) and must not be open or part of the general family living space. Middle and High School students are not permitted to have personal TV's or DVD players in their bedroom. Laptops are permitted. Please help your student connect to a local server. **Internet access should be filtered and used in a public place. NOT in the bedroom.** Some students will bring their own computer; others may need to use the home computer.
- * Your student should help with light chores, such as cleaning the table after a meal, helping with dishes, and cleaning their own rooms. Please remember they will need to use most of their time for study. If you do ask your student to do chores, make sure that they understand when the chores are to be done as well as where to find the materials to complete the chores and how to operate any vacuum cleaners, dishwashers etc.
- * Please note your responsibility for transporting your student to and from school activities (when needed), AHLI trips, activities, etc. If you are unable to transport your student please make arrangements.
- * If you travel out of town without your student you are responsible to find a substitute host family during your absence. Please place your student with another AHLI family, a family member, neighbor or friend with whom you are familiar and trust to care for your student. This family should reside in the same county or school busing district. However, the student is allowed to travel with the host family if desired.
- * Medical Treatment: All students are required to have medical insurance. Make sure you know where their card is kept or make a copy for yourself. Some local doctor's offices will not take a foreign insurance. Student should be prepared to pay cash up front and claim later from their insurance company. If you are required to sign on behalf of your student and provide a billing address, you may provide the AHLI office address for this purpose.
- * Host Families are provided with a \$600 stipend at the beginning of the month. This is to cover any cost incurred with room and board. The basic rule of thumb- if you are providing something for your family, you must provided it for the student. Ex: Taking the family out for dinner, a movie or ice cream.