

The Fredericton Christian Academy Homestay Program is designed to promote friendship, language learning, a caring and comfortable living environment, and to provide for cultural exchanges between Canadian families and international students attending FCA. While you are in a FCA Homestay, expect to be treated with respect and caring by your host family. Equally, you must treat your hosts with respect and thoughtfulness.

I UNDERSTAND AND/OR AGREE TO THAT:

1. FCA will administer payment of the monthly homestay fee to my host family on my behalf.
2. The FCA Homestay Coordinator will select a host family for me from those who are available, based on the information I have provided in my application. I understand that although FCA will try, it is possible that not all personal preferences will be met.
3. I am responsible for all long distance phone charges, if I choose to use the home phone. I will always ask permission to use the home phone for long distance calls. Cell phone purchases and contracts are my sole responsibility.
4. I will not engage in, nor sign, any contracts with my host family that would incur any financial obligation or responsibility for either party (EG. bank accounts, rental equipment, etc.).
5. I will become familiar with and understand the routines of my homestay family, and will follow these routines.
6. I will discuss any specific or special requirements with my host family (preferences or interests) so that they know what I need to feel comfortable in the home.
7. I will always tell my host family in advance if I will be away overnight, and leave a telephone number where I can be reached to be contacted. I will make sure that my host family is comfortable with my overnight excursions. As well, I will always get written permission from my parents or Canadian legal guardian to stay away from my host family overnight.
8. I will always tell my host family if I will not be home for dinner, or if I will be arriving home later than expected.
9. I will ask my host family for permission to invite guests/friends to the house.
10. I will purchase my own toiletries and personal items.
11. I will clean my own room and help to make sure that my house spaces are tidy and clean. I will also do my part to keep the common areas neat and clean such as bathrooms, the living rooms, kitchens and outdoor common areas. I will assist with common Canadian home tasks such as clearing the dinner table, helping with laundry, and at times prepare my own breakfast with the food provided by my host family.
12. I will arrange for my health insurance with FCA so that I am fully covered in case I get sick or injured during my time in Canada.
13. In the rare cases when I have a disagreement with my host family, I will first try to work it out with them directly. If the situation is still a problem, I will contact the Homestay Coordinator to try and rectify the problem. Because Canadian customs are different from customs in my country, my hosts may not know that I am feeling uncomfortable so I will commit to telling them how I feel.





14. I will only consider moving out of my homestay placement after a major problem has been thoroughly discussed with the host family, the FCA Homestay Coordinator, and the FCA Principal. According to FCA, the only reasons for a student to move out of a homestay placement is if a student feels unsafe in any way, there is a major personality conflict that causes feelings of insecurity, or there are health issues that would compromise a student's health.
15. If I need to move to another Host family, I understand the following:
 - I need to offer a 30 day advanced notice in writing to the Homestay Coordinator.
 - I will need to pay the homestay fees for the 30 days before I move out.
16. I am responsible for any damages to the house that is a direct result of my own negligence or lack of respect for house property. I will pay the full amount owing for damages that are agreed to be my responsibility.
17. I will conduct myself with appropriate behaviour in my homestay. Inappropriate behaviour include, but are not limited to, the use/possession of illegal drugs or paraphernalia, sexual relations, intoxication, theft, racism, wilful property damage, or inappropriate internet usage. Such conduct is prohibited in the homestay and is in accordance with the FCA code of conduct.
18. Students who are no longer attending classes are not eligible to live with a FCA homestay family.
19. I understand that I will be matched with a host family when FCA and the Homestay Coordinator has received the completed student profile/application and the signed letter of agreement.

I UNDERSTAND AND AGREE TO THE TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF ITEMS 1 – 19 OF THIS FREDERICTON CHRISTIAN ACADEMY HOMESTAY PROGRAM LETTER OF AGREEMENT.

Student Signature: _____

Date: _____

Parent Signature: _____

Date: _____

Agent Signature: _____

Date: _____ (as appropriate)

