



ISLAND CATHOLIC SCHOOLS
International Student Program
Expectations of Students for Homestay Program

- While you are in Canada, your homestay parents are responsible for your physical, emotional and spiritual well-being. Students are expected to conform to the normal rules of family life and to contribute to the routine operation of the household. This may include family outings, attending church or visiting relatives or friends.
- It is the student's responsibility to try to make the homestay experience a successful one. If there are concerns please try to discuss them first with your homestay parents. If problems cannot be resolved, the Homestay Coordinator and/or Principal will assist you.
- You will have your own room, which will be comfortably furnished. It is your responsibility to keep your own room clean and tidy. Remember you are not a "guest", you are part of the family. You may be asked to do your own laundry and be asked to prepare your own breakfast and lunch. Remember you are not staying in a hotel where maid service is provided.
- Curfew guidelines will be established by the homestay family and must be adhered to.
- Weekdays: School nights are generally work nights. Time in the evening will be required for homework and study. Exceptions would be family outings and school events.
- Weekends: Destinations, transportation and activities must be approved by the homestay parent. Overnight stays outside the family home and out of town travel must be approved by the homestay parents and/or Homestay Coordinator.
(Complete the appropriate form 4.3).
- Students will have access to the telephone just as any other family members. Phone calls are restricted to 15 minutes a call. Internet usage is only allowed in a supervised area in the home. You must pay for all long distance calls you make. (It would be good to arrange for a calling card).
- Medical coverage will be arranged through the Coordinator.
- A minimum of \$850.00 per month for the students from the high school will be paid to the host family. A minimum of \$1000.00 per month for the students placed from the elementary level will be paid to the host family.
- Students who reserve a room over the summer months are expected to pay \$300.00/month while away. If an International Student arrives prior to the school year the homestay family will be paid \$32.00 per day until the start of the school/agent homestay agreement.
- If the International student requests a "move" from the homestay- this change will be mediated and reviewed by the Coordinator. A relocation fee of \$250.00 will be charged to the agent/student.