

ABBOTSFORD SCHOOL DISTRICT INTERNATIONAL PROGRAM

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STUDENT HOMESTAY APPLICATION FORM 2023-2024

The District Homestay Program in Abbotsford offers each student a pre-screened, approved, host home that provides a comfortable family environment, a private bedroom, and meals. To be an approved homestay, all hosts must comply with our standards, expectations, and guidelines.

We try to match students with their preferences for homes, with or without pets, and homes with or without children, etc. These matches are not always possible so we choose what we think will be the best fit based on the families available at the time, and the students who are applying. Abbotsford (and Canada) is very multicultural. Unless a person in Canada is Indigenous, all other citizens of Canada have immigrated here over time, so therefore most Canadians come from all over the world. Our homestay families are diverse, and they vary in ages, lifestyles, expectations, and customs. We do not choose or deny host families based on their culture or ethnicity, or if they are a one or two parent home. We choose host families based on their ability to meet our program requirements which is to provide a safe, tidy, friendly, English-speaking home and environment.

Once a student arrives in Abbotsford, everyone is expected to do their best to make the homestay placement successful. Because the first several weeks and months can be so difficult for many students and the host families, everyone including home country parents and agents, must be supportive of the placement to help it be successful.

After arrival, if it is assessed by our program that a student needs to move from a homestay because of the student's behaviour, and/or misrepresentation of facts, circumstances, events, and communication; home country parents and their agent may have to consider an alternate future outcome, which may include making a private homestay arrangement, or another plan chosen by the natural parents.

It is important that you submit a complete application form, in English, as it will assist the Homestay Coordinator in selecting the best homestay for you. Incomplete forms will be returned, and student registration will be delayed.

* Some students may be placed in a homestay that accommodates up to three international students and all multiple placements will be of the same gender, have a different first language, and have their own bedroom.

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		Yes	No	Today's Date	
Homestay Payment Service					
Legal Last Name				Legal First Name	
Gender	□Male □Fema	le 🗆 (Other	Date of Birth	
Present Age				Country of Birth	
Citizenship				First Language	

List your siblings (if applicable)

	Name	Age	Relationship
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2			

Relationship	Age	Name	
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Preferred Characteristics of Homestay Family:

	Yes	No	
Children Age 0 to 12 years			Do you li
Teenagers Age 13 to 19 years			Do you li
Couple with no children			Do you h
Older Couple			If yes, wh

Do you like Dogs?	□Yes	□No	
Do you like Cats?	□Yes	□No	
Do you have pets?	□Yes	□No	
If yes, what kind?	•		

Do you smoke? (Any smoker must smoke outside the home) ☐Yes ☐No				
Can you live with Smokers? (Any smoker must smoke outside the home) ☐Yes ☐No				
Please list any dietary restrictions (allergies, religious, etc.) or strong dislikes of any foods:				
Do you have any allergies? □Yes □No				
	′es □No			
If yes, please describe:				
Are you on any prescribed medication? □Yes □No				
If yes, please describe:				
Describe your personality:			Interests:	
☐ Outgoing	☐ Independent		☐ Be with friends	
☐ Friendly	☐ Quiet & Shy		☐ Like Sports	
☐ Adaptable	☐ Like to be ald	one	☐ Like Shopping	
☐ Talkative	☐ Easily Worried		☐ Like Computers	
☐ Humorous	☐ Will ask for help		☐ Like Music	
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List four of your favourite sports, leisure time				
activities, hobbies, and extracurri	cular activities?			
What do you like to do with your	family?			
What do you like to do with your	friends?			
What are your favourite foods?			<u> </u>	

Participation Agreement

I understand and appreciate that the opportunity to live with a host family provides a valuable opportunity to learn about other families and cultures. I understand and accept that all my preferences may not be met. I agree to abide by the expectations and responsibilities of personal behaviour while living in the District Homestay Program. While living with a homestay family, I will take part in household activities and family life. I will follow all program and family rules and show respect for all family members. I understand that a copy of this application will be sent to my host parent(s).

Natural Parent	Natural
Last Name	Parent
	First Name
Student	Student
Last Name /	First Name /
Surname /	Given Name /
Family Name	Chosen Name

By uploading this completed form, I acknowledge that I have read and fully agree to its terms and conditions.