



A few reminders:

Homestay Newsletter March 2019

Spring Break (March 18 - 29)

Students travelling out of District during Spring Break must submit a Travel Form by March 8th. Students can obtain this form from their School Coordinator. It is your responsibility to drop them off and pick them up at the airport.

Students returning to their home country are not required to fill out a Travel Form.

There are no partial homestay payments during Spring Break.



Sleepovers

Students may only sleepover at the homes of other Langley School District homestays and suitable notice must be given.

Homestay parents must communicate with each other to ensure that all parties are aware of the arrangements.

Students MAY NOT sleepover at the homes of non-Langley School District ISP families or Canadian student families.

CURFEW (including during Spring Break)

Sunday to Thursday –
Curfew is 8 pm (9 pm for students 16 years or older).

Friday and Saturday –
Curfew is 11 pm.

* If there are specific activities curfew can be extended at the discretion of the homestay family and the Homestay Coordinator.



Visiting Parents

The homestay program provides housing for students while they are attending school.



Visiting parents must make arrangements to stay in one of our local hotels.

Please do not host natural parents in your home. If you need assistance in communicating this to your student's family, please let us know so we can assist you.

Spring Break Coverage

If you are going away during Spring Break and your student needs to be relocated to a temporary homestay please remember the following:

- Inform your Homestay Coordinator of your student's temporary homestay arrangements
- Contact the temporary homestay family directly to set up the drop off/pick up details
- Payment will be \$30 per night and you will need to pay the homestay family directly at drop off



Summer Camp and Academic Summer School information will be sent to you in a separate email very soon.

We look forward to working with you again this summer!

FEBRUARY WINNER



The Thomas homestay family took their homestay student out for dinner to a "Western" restaurant. They chose one in downtown Langley that is known for big portions and bottomless drinks and fries.

As they were leaving, they noticed that the mascot of the restaurant was a "Red Robin." Their homestay student's name is Robin, and he just so happened to be wearing red! They were sure to get a picture of the two "Red Robins" before leaving.



The Blust homestay family made the best out of the snow days we had a couple of weeks ago. They had a lot of fun with their two students who enjoyed outdoor ice-skating!

Homestay Communication with Agents

Please remember that homestays should not contact agents regarding academic or homestay concerns... that is the School OR Homestay Coordinator's responsibility.

If a homestay has a question or concern, they must always go through the School Coordinator or Homestay Coordinator and only we will contact the student's agent.

Thank you for your cooperation.

Case Study

Question: *Our student is often loud while playing video games or when talking on the phone. This sometimes occurs very early in the morning or late at night. Often times the student misses dinner with the family because he/she is so preoccupied with their game or call. What can I do?*

Answer: *It is important that you communicate your concerns with your student. Reiterate your house rules and expectations regarding quiet time, dinnertime, and bedtime.*

Students abusing gaming privileges could have these privileges suspended or terminated at the discretion of the Homestay family.

If this continues to be a problem after a few discussions, please contact your Homestay Coordinator so we can work together to come up with a strategy for your situation.



You are welcome to request topics for our Case Studies.



Please keep sending us your pictures and stories of your current hosting experience. A random draw will be held monthly and the winner will receive a \$10 coffee card.

The photo or winning story will be in the next month's Newsletter!

Please email your picture/story to your Homestay Coordinator

**HAPPY
ST. PATRICK'S
DAY!**