HOMESTAY NEWSLETTER - FEB 2025



INCREASE TO HOMESTAY FEES

We're happy to announce that homestay fees will increase to \$1,200 per month effective July 1, 2025!

Plus, we've now included **vegetarian** diet in the **special diet fee list (additional \$200 per month)!**

special diet fee list: halal, vegan, celiac/gluten free, kosher, vegetarian

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Submit your best homestay activity photo for a chance to win in our monthly gift card draws!



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After Hours Emergency Phone (For EMERGENCIES only)



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UPCOMING DISTRICT ISP TRIPS

April 25, 2025

1-DAY North Shore Water & Mountains

May 21 to 24, 2025

4-DAY Rocky Mountain Spring Tour



INTERNATIONAL PARTIES

International Dance Parties have become regular events in the Lower Mainland

These parties are organized exclusively for international students.

The venue is disclosed last minute

Students are **NOT allowed** to attend these parties, even if they intend to be home by curfew

SUMMER 2025 PLANS

Start discussing your student's summer plans, including departure and returning flight details.

Homestay families are responsible for dropping off & picking up returning students from the airport. Be sure to share your summer plans with your student(s) so they can book their flights accordingly.

Academic Summer School information and registration will open shortly.

SPRING BREAK PLANS?



- Spring break is a great opportunity for students to explore the local area or participate in family activities.
- If you're staying in town, consider suggesting nearby attractions, scenic spots, or fun day trips they might enjoy
- Have an open conversation with your student about their plans, and be supportive whether they're looking for downtime or adventure
- If your student will be traveling with you, <u>travel forms</u> must be completed by Tue, March 11, 2025 or earlier
- If traveling without them, arrange temporary coverage for your student(s) and notify our office
- Contact your Homestay Coordinator for assistance with temporary coverage, and provide as much notice as possible.

REFER A NEW HOMESTAY FAMILY

\$250 for Brookswood \$100 for all other schools

*Incentive will be paid once referred family begins hosting their first student

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