

## **Host Family and Exchange Student Expectations:**

Average length of stay is two weeks which may include two weekends.

### **Host families are expected to provide:**

1. Pick up at airport or CLS upon arrival
2. Breakfast and dinner on school days; CLS provides lunch
3. Laundry
4. A bedroom and a bathroom, both may be shared
5. Transportation to and from school. May ride the CLS bus if your student does. May also ride in a car if your student drives to school. Some early/late arrivals are scheduled during the two weeks and will be communicated ahead of time. Carpooling with other families is fine and encouraged.
6. Help arrange and transport students to weekend activities planned by host families. Exchange students may not use ride shares without an adult.
7. In the case of divorced or separated families, we ask that the student be hosted in one household.
8. Take to airport or CLS upon departure

**\*All host parents must go through a standard CLS background check process.**

### **Host students are expected to:**

1. Welcome the exchange student into their school and home with an email prior to arrival
2. Actively engage the exchange student in conversation and activities
3. Include the exchange student in afterschool activities and extracurricular activities, social and otherwise
4. Act as a host to the student at school, making sure they know where they are going, where to meet for lunch and how to get home from school
5. CLS will provide activities during each school day and but may ask the host students to bring their exchange student to class with them
6. Abide by CLS and US rules/laws (no drinking or tobacco products)
7. Participate in any joint functions planned for exchange students and host families

Please note, hosting is a serious commitment of time and goodwill. We ask that during the host period, students not have commitments that take them away from hosting for large amounts of time. Additionally, a parent is expected to be in the home any time the visiting student is present in the home. Leaving the visiting student in the care of a known, trusted relative or nanny is acceptable for short periods of time; however, a parent is expected to be in the home overnight. Please avoid travel that would take both parents away from the home during the exchange student's visit.

**Students interested in participating in CLS International Summer Travel programs are strongly encouraged to host during the school year.**