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Mission Statement

Fieldstone Homestay Services is committed to supporting international students in pursuing their educational goals and enhancing their global awareness through living with selected homestay families who will provide a safe, secure, nurturing and welcoming environment in which a student can learn and grow.

Our homestay programme aims to ensure a seamless support network for our international students that will help them in developing life skills to be independent, confident and open-minded to embrace a new journey while studying at Fieldstone.



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This is our second year hosting Fieldstone students and it has been a wonderful experience for our family. Our students have been great – they participate in family activities and we always eat together as a family. We feel that Fieldstone is the best school for the students. Students are happy and focussed.”

Misra G. Family

It took a long time to get used to the culture and habits when I first came to my homestay family. But now, I am glad to stay with this family. They give me good meals every day, take me to many places when they have time and talk with me a lot in daily life. I'm comfortable in this house because both of them (host mother and her daughter) are women which is what I wanted in a homestay.”

Shiho T.



The Fieldstone Experience

We strongly believe that academic success and a positive homestay experience are interconnected. That's why everyone in the Fieldstone community – the student, homestay families, teachers, international student coordinators, guidance, administrators and homeland parents/guardians – has an active role to ensure our students are happy, healthy and successful.

FHS Families

Homestay families are expected to provide a nurturing and supportive home environment to international students residing with them. They are to integrate the student in the household by participating in shared activities together such as shopping, visiting local sites and conversing on a daily basis. They are also expected to attend school events, monitoring attendance and health issues if arise.



In terms of accommodations, Fieldstone Homestay Families are expected to provide students with:

- A private furnished room with study area
- Linens and towels
- Three meals a day
- Access to laundry facilities including detergent
- Telephone access for local calls
- Television and high-speed Internet

Living with a homestay family provides many added values to international students, such as improving their English language fluency and understanding of the Canadian culture and social values through daily interaction with homestay family members. An immersion experience that one will not otherwise obtain in classroom settings.



Objectives

- Delivering a homestay program that fosters personal, social and emotional stability and cultural understanding
- Providing mentorship through a streamlined support network of school, homestay family, and homeland parents
- Cultivating leadership, social and cultural adjustment skills through orientation, workshops, seminars and extra-curricular events
- Providing logistics assistance in areas of immigration, transportation, financial management and health

Service Portfolio

- Designated Homestay Coordinator
- Homestay family profiles review and confirmation of homestay placement
- Monthly monitoring and homestay issue or conflict resolution
- Monthly homestay payment management