



Winnipeg School Division International Education Program

Homestay Family Application

Applying to be a Homestay Family for WSD International Education Program in four steps:

1. Homestay Family Application:

- a. Download and save the application form to a location on your computer
- b. Once saved, read and digitally complete the *Homestay Family Application*
- c. Save the form as "YourLastName Homestay Family Application"
- d. Send the completed application along with a photo of your family and a photo of the exterior of your home to homestays@wsd1.org

2. The Homestay Administrator will contact you via email to confirm receipt of your application and provide you with additional information

3. **Home Visit:** If you meet the criteria to be eligible to become a homestay family, a home visit will be scheduled. The homestay administrator will visit your home, verify the space available for a student, and determine if the home is a safe, healthy, and comfortable living environment.

4. **Checks:** Submit clear checks, less than one year old, which must be renewed every three (3) years, subsequently, for every adult over the age of 18 living in your family home, including:

- a. Winnipeg Police Service Police Record Check/Police Vulnerable Sector Check. See: <https://policeinformationcheck.winnipeg.ca>
- b. Child Abuse Registry Check. See: https://www.gov.mb.ca/fs/childfam/child_abuse_registry.html
- c. Email copies to homestays@wsd1.org or mail originals to:

International Education Program
Winnipeg School Division
1577 Wall Street E., Winnipeg, MB
R3E 2S5

5. **Supplementary Forms:** The homestay administrator will provide you with any supplementary forms that are required prior to hosting a student.

6. **Homestay Orientation:** All homestay families must attend homestay orientation each year prior to hosting students

Note: Homestay applications are accepted and processed throughout the year. Submitting an application to Winnipeg School Division's International Education Program does not guarantee a student placement.

Homestay Details

Primary Homestay Parent (for all communication/correspondence)

Full Name			
Preferred Name			
Email Address			
Phone Number (Home/Cell)		Phone Number (Work)	
First Language		Second Language	
Date of Birth (mm/dd/yyyy)		Occupation	

Other Homestay Parent (if applicable)

Full Name			
Preferred Name			
Email Address			
Phone Number (Home/Cell)		Phone Number (Work)	
First Language		Second Language	
Date of Birth (mm/dd/yyyy)		Occupation	

Basic Information and Preferences

Current Address: _____

City: _____

Postal Code: _____

1. Check applicable duration you prefer to host an international student:

Temporary placement/emergency situations

1 semester (5 months)

2 semesters/full year (10 months)

2. Check applicable gender preferences:

No preference

Male student

Female student

3. Can you accommodate more than one student? If yes, how many?

Yes, students No

4. Do members of your household:

smoke tobacco

smoke cannabis

consume cannabis

5. Indicate how many pets in your family:

Dog:

Cat:

Other (please specify):

6. Are you comfortable hosting a student with allergies or special dietary needs?

Yes

No

If yes, to dietary needs, what types of meals can you provide? (i.e. vegetarian/vegan/gluten-free/etc)

7. Please indicate the measurements of the window in the bedroom(s) available to students. To be confirmed during home visit.

Room 1: Length: Width:

Room 2: Length: Width:

Family Members

Other Occupants in the Household

Please provide the following information for all other household members, including non-family members, and those who do not live at the address but may stay overnight periodically. Please include children for whom you have joint custody.

Full Name	Date of Birth (mm/dd/year)	Relationship to primary parent	Occupation	Interests and Hobbies

About Your Family

To help create a family profile which will be shared with any students your family is matched with, please describe how your family spends time on weeknights and weekends and a favourite family tradition. Include any community or cultural activities such as religious services, youth groups, volunteer activities, Folklorama, etc., in which your family participates. *Please also include any allergies in the family that students should be aware of.*

About Your Home

1. Please list special family or house rules in place that you expect a student to follow, if any.

2. Please list other features of your home that are available to students, i.e hot tub, piano, treadmill, etc.

Please identify any additional information that might be helpful for making a quality student match.

Home Requirements

WSD's International Program requires the following items/facilities are located in the home. Please confirm:

Wireless internet

Fire extinguisher

Carbon monoxide detectors
(recommended)

Laundry facilities

Smoke detectors

Ideally, international students stay on the main floor or upper-level bedrooms. If necessary, lower level bedrooms may be acceptable if they meet building codes and the entire lower level is finished. In addition, the room must contain a bed, linens and towels, desk, chair and lamp, a dresser and a clothes closet. International students must have a private bedroom of their own. All bedrooms must have a window to allow for fire/emergency exit. Windows cannot be obstructed, either inside or outside, in any way. It must be easy to exit the window if that is ever necessary. They cannot share a room with anyone.

References and Agreement

Please provide character and/or work references (not family members):

Full Name	Relationship to primary parent	Phone	Email address

I, _____, release any person or institution that provides WSD with any lawful information about me, from any and all liability whatsoever resulting from any such inquiry, or communication. I acknowledge that the information I have provided is accurate and truthful.

Primary Homestay Parent Signature

Date

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