

STUDENT HOMESTAY CONTRACT



I, _____, have requested to participate in the ECLC Homestay Program. While I am a student at East Coast Language College, I will respect the following Homestay Contract:

1. The fees are \$900.00 for 28 days for adults and \$940.00 for 28 days if the student is 18 years old or younger. Full fees must be paid to the school on or before the dates according to the Homestay Fee Payment Schedule. The first 28 days of homestay fees are non-refundable for students who have arrived in the homestay program. The first two weeks are non-refundable for students who cancel their homestay two weeks before their scheduled start date. Fees will be adjusted to cover the early arrival of students and our vacation periods. Students can be refused entry to class for late or unpaid fees.
2. Students are considered as living in homestay for the duration of their study period, unless prior notice is given. Students must notify their Host Family and Accommodations Coordinator of the exact moving date at least 4 weeks before if they wish to leave the homestay. Fees for the 4 weeks must be paid even if students leave before the 4 weeks have ended. If no notice is given, students will have to pay the full fee.
3. Minor students (18 years and under) must participate in the Homestay Program while attending **ECLC** full time. Minor students who wish to move out of an ECLC Homestay Family must find a new custodian and provide all signed documents regarding the new custodian four weeks before moving. The custodian must be a Canadian citizen or permanent resident. The 4-week notice period to Host Family starts once the Accommodation Coordinator has received all signed custodianship documents.
4. Students planning a vacation must give a written notice to their Host Family and Accommodations Coordinator at least 4 weeks before they leave for their vacation. They can pay the 'Holding Fee' of \$125.00 per week if they are on vacation for 6 days or more over a 7-day period for a maximum of 2 weeks.
5. Students receive three meals a day while in homestay and may be expected to prepare their own breakfast and lunch, and understand that host families do not provide ethnic or faith-related foods. Host families should be informed at least two hours before the meal is served if students will be absent.
6. Before leaving the home, students must lock the door and turn off all lights and running water.
7. Students will have a private room with a bed, place to place your clothes, and a place to study. Students are expected to keep their room clean.
8. Students must ask the homestay family's permission to use perfume, use appliances, invite guests and change their eating schedule.
9. Students understand that smoking of any kind is prohibited in the home.
10. Students should accept the host family rules and show respect to family members at all times and expect the same in return.
11. Students understand that they are considered to be a member of the family and therefore should not expect to be entertained. When family members are busy, they should ask to join or help them.
12. The Accommodations Coordinator must be informed immediately when there are unresolved difficulties between the student and the host family. We recommend that students then talk to their host family themselves first to resolve any issues. Families want to make a student's stay as comfortable as possible.
13. The Accommodations Coordinator has the right to decide if students' requests to move are warranted. In unwarranted cases, students will have to reapply to the host family program and pay the required fee.



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AGREEMENT

I understand that my participation in **ECLC**'s Homestay Program can be terminated without a refund and I may be asked to find alternate accommodation if I do not respect the rules and regulations while in the Homestay Program. I release **ECLC** from any responsibility for injury, loss, damage, accident, or other expenses resulting in my participation in the Homestay program.



ECLC Agreements shall be interpreted by the laws of the Province of Nova Scotia and the parties hereby accept the jurisdiction of the courts of that Province in resolving any disputes.

Student Name (Print): _____

Student (Signature) : _____

Date (D/M/Y): _____

Students who are 18 years of age or younger must get a parent to complete and sign the information below :

Parent Name (Print) : _____

Parent (Signature) : _____

Date (D/M/Y) : _____



Addendum: COVID-19 Policies

Due to COVID-19, ECLC has added some requirements to the homestay procedures in order to protect the health of our students and host families. These procedures will be required as long as the Nova Scotia Quarantine Act is enacted.



East Coast Language College expects our students to respect the following COVID-19 Related Guidelines:

- Follow the Nova Scotia Public Health guidelines and gathering limits.
- Sign up with the Study Safe Corridor when arriving internationally.
- Complete a 14-day mandatory quarantine in a hotel arranged by the Study Safe Corridor prior to moving to an ECLC host family.
- Report immediately to ECLC if anyone in the household has a presumed or confirmed case of COVID-19.

The ECLC student understands that:

- ECLC may implement additional policies based on provincial or federal public health safety requirements.
- Due to COVID-19, the program has fewer available host families and cannot guarantee that all requests will be possible.
- ECLC will report students who have knowingly breached provincial health guidelines and directives regarding COVID-19 safety and transmission prevention. Students will be responsible for paying the associated fines.
- ECLC may be able to move a student in the unlikely situation that a host is unable to care for a sick student; however, ECLC aims to avoid relocating students to avoid the spread of COVID-19.
- The 4-week notice is not applicable when students are recalled to their country by their government.
- Students may be removed when not respecting the COVID-19 guidelines with little notice or refund.
- Students are not permitted to spend the night outside the homestay's home.

Please sign below to indicate your agreement:

Print Name: _____ Date (D/M/Y): _____

Signature: _____

Students who are 18 years of age or younger must get a parent to complete and sign the information below :

Parent Name (Print) : _____ Date (D/M/Y) : _____

Parent (Signature) : _____

