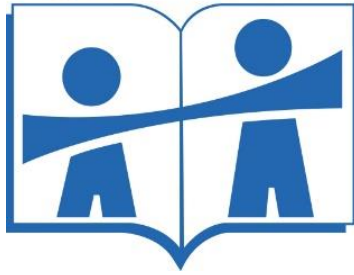


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Golden Rules for your Homestay

1. Your host family must know where you are at all times and approve of what you are doing.
2. Ask , don't tell, your host family of your plans ahead of time. Don't surprise your host family with a last minute change of plans.
 - After school activities
 - Plans with friends
 - Meals away from home
3. Balance socializing with friends with spending time with your host family.
4. Keep your Canadian cell phone working and always have it with you.
5. Your host family is not a taxi service! Your host family should be available to drive you to occasional social events and activities (ask in advance). Learn how to be independent – biking, bus, etc.
6. Follow the rules of the household
 - Quiet hours
 - Curfew
 - Chores / keep bedroom and bathroom clean
 - Food
 - Healthy electronic use
7. It is not an “open” kitchen. Host family is responsible to provide 3 meals and sensible snacks. Buy extra food if necessary.
8. Limit technology when your family is present.
9. Be polite with your words and body language.
10. Discuss concerns early and respectfully. Involve your homestay coordinator if necessary.