



## **International Student Support Program Home-stay Rules for Students**

Welcome to AUSB! To help students acclimate more quickly, the International Student Support Program offers students housing assistance. Respect, consideration, and cleanliness generally help create a comfortable atmosphere for both student and family. Following are some specific guidelines:

You are responsible for always keeping your bedroom and bathroom clean. Your host family will provide you with breakfast and dinner everyday. You will prepare your own breakfast. The family should cook dinner for you. Please do not pack food from your house to bring for lunch. It's important to be on time for dinner. After you eat with the family, please help wash dishes. Families will appreciate your help cleaning up after meals. It is also a great time to practice your English and to get to know the family. It's OK to miss dinner but let the family know your plans ahead of time. You may ask the family to put your dinner in the refrigerator and then you may warm up your food when you get home.

If you want to return home late at night, stay out over night or have visitors at home, you must ask your host family in advance. Remember, even though your host will treat you like a family member, you are still a guest in their home.

Your host will show you how to use the washing and drying machines (clothes). Please make sure you understand how and when to wash your clothes yourself. Machines are different in the US!

Use of the family's telephone is up to each individual family. DO NOT charge long distance calls. You will be billed if you dial direct. Please purchase a phone card! It will be much cheaper for you and you can use the same card from your home-stay or from most public phones around the city. Ask your host if there are any house phone rules.

**NO SMOKING IN THE HOUSE.** If you are a smoker, you must smoke outside. When you smoke outside, you must use an ashtray. Please do not litter the property. Remember too that Antioch University--Santa Barbara is a nonsmoking campus. You may smoke **ONLY** in designated smoking areas outside. Also, in California you may not smoke in any public building.

Each family has different rules about alcohol. You must obey the rules of your host family. However, if you are **under 21 years old, US law prohibits drinking alcoholic beverages**. If you are over 21yrs please be aware that **California law prohibits drinking** on public beaches, parks, on the streets, and **in any public areas**. Know that the SB Police Department consistently enforces these laws.

Different host families have different rules. Please ask the host family to explain their house rules. If you want to **change residence** you must let your family know **30 days before you plan to move out**.

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**Student Agreement:**

*I understand that the International Student Support Program acts only to bring students and their host families together. I, the student, will not hold AUSB responsible for any problems arising between my host family and myself. I understand and agree to the above rules and regulations.*

Signature\_\_\_\_\_

Print Name\_\_\_\_\_

Date\_\_\_\_\_

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