



Dear student,

As you probably know, AUSB attracts students from all over the world. Many come from Japan, Korea, Brazil, Sweden, and numerous other countries. To better serve our international students, to enhance their success in the program, and to offer an enriching cultural experience, we would like to invite you to consider staying with a host family in Santa Barbara.

Students who stay with host families enjoy extraordinary and profound experiences. Many make life-long friends and delight in the benefits that come with living with people from other cultures. Our goal is to connect and to place our students with faculty and staff families from AUSB. Overall, the basic requirements for living in a home-stay are:

1. To have a genuine interest in meeting and living with a family in the USA.
2. To maintain a clean bedroom and bathroom.
3. To respect house rules.

Payment Rates:

- Single occupancy \$800 per month.
- Double occupancy \$600 per month.

Generally, ISSP students stay at AUSB for at least one year. Some students however, are offered short-term home-stay (one semester) while others may wish to stay for two years or more.

A copy of the Home-stay Application is posted. We will use the information on this application to place a student with a family. We will make every effort to let you know as soon as possible whether or not we have a suitable family for you and will give you at least two weeks notice prior to placement.

**Fall semester students must arrive by August 12<sup>th</sup> 2007.**

If, after reviewing the information enclosed, you truly wish to live with a host family, please fill out the Home-stay Application, sign the Home-stay Agreement, and return both to the AUSB Director of International Programs-International Housing. We will then contact you to follow up. Please understand that the need for housing varies with the season and number of students we receive and that we cannot guarantee you a placement but we will do our best to place students with host families. Right now, we are focusing on housing for Fall 2007.

Thank you sincerely for your time and interest in living with a host family in Santa Barbara. We hope that new relationships will thrive and generate lasting friendships from these experiences. If you have any questions please call: 1-805-962-8179 x 328.

We look forward to hearing from you soon.

Sincerely,

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