

# Host Family Housing Policy

## Independent Admission Students Only

Students placed with a host family by Northeastern Wisconsin Lutheran H.S. must comply with the following rules and guidelines:

### COST

Cost is \$5250 per school year and may either be paid in full by August 1, or in two payments (\$2625 due August 1, and \$2625 due December 1). The student must submit housing payment to NEWLHS with tuition payment. NEWLHS will forward the payment to the host family on the following schedule: \_\_\_\_\_

### LENGTH OF HOMESTAY

- A host family's agreement to host a student is usually for one school year or other agreed upon time period (semester or shorter) By mutual agreement between family and student, this may be extended for more than one year.
- Students in violation of host family rules may be asked by the family to leave the home and to find alternative living arrangements. The student will then be responsible for securing the alternative arrangements under the direction of the Primary Designated School Official. If no suitable living arrangements are available, the student's I-20 F-1 visa may be terminated.

### DISPUTES

- To avoid disputes families should define the house rules as soon as the student arrives. Students are expected to keep their rooms neat, free of clutter, and be respectful of the host family home. It will be beneficial for host families to communicate expectations about household duties, use of the family computer (or other items), study and sleep schedules, transportation for school events, and church attendance.
- Host families and students are encouraged to attempt to resolve disputes directly with each other. If insufficient progress results, families are directed to contact NEWLHS's P/DSO for assistance.
- Any unsatisfactorily resolved dispute between the student and host family should be brought immediately to the attention of the P/DSO
- Alternative arrangements may result if:
  - A real or implied threat of harm exists toward to student
  - Host family alters the term of the original agreement
  - Host family is unable to continue hosting the student due to personal reasons not caused by the student
  - Student disciplinary problems or ongoing behavioral problems

### DISCIPLINARY ACTION

In the event that a student must be removed from a host family due to disciplinary or behavioral problems (including substance abuse, breaking house rules, theft of property, continuing conflicts or verbal abuse toward a family member, physical abuse to any person or property, etc.) the student will be removed from the home stay immediately or as soon as possible. He/she will likely be taken to a hotel until travel arrangements home have been made. The student's I-20 F-1 visa will be terminated. The student may also forfeit up to one semester of host family payments.

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\_\_\_\_\_ (print student's name)                      \_\_\_\_\_ (print host parent's name)

\_\_\_\_\_ (student signature)                      \_\_\_\_\_ (host parent signature)

\_\_\_\_\_ (date)                      \_\_\_\_\_ (date)