Homestay Program Commitments

The Nishiyamato Student Participants are not considered as a client or a customer of host families in this program, but as one of the family members. Host families provide their hospitality voluntarily. This program is designed to be a shared cultural exchange from both backgrounds.

Meals

During the week host families will provide two meals a day as if the student were a part of the home. Students are free to access the refrigerator. Food customs may vary from home to home. There is a possibility that some households offer simple meals (cereal for breakfast and sandwiches at lunchtime, dinner could consist of salad, pizza, fried chicken, etc.).

Clothing

Students are not allowed to wear the following types of clothing : i.e. to expose their back or stomach, skin tight, dresses and skirts length are too short [above the knee], shirts or clothing, (which are purchased in Japan) sometimes with inappropriate messages, clothing with skull imprints, items which are ripped or show excessive amounts of skin, sagging jeans and pants.

Room

Students might not have their own single room but all will be provided with their own individual bed / mattress and bedding and the beds must be made up every morning prior to departing. Students are responsible to clean up after using any other shared facilities such as the bathroom and kitchen. Showers should not exceed 10 minutes.

Out of Home Activities / Permission

Always ask permission from the host family if the student wishes to invite a friend over to the home. If the student has plans to leave the house, the student must inform the host family who they are going out with, where they are going, the duration of time of the outing, and include all contact information. If the student plans to skip a meal, the student must inform the host family in advance. If the student go out with the family, the student is responsible for paying their own fees (transportation, admission ticket, food, etc.). If the host family insists on paying, please make sure students express their gratitude.

Others

There is a possibility that the host family attends church and the student may be asked to accompany them. Nishiyamato has a zero tolerance policy with respect to racism of any form (e.g. appearance, ethnicity, gender, age, religion) and students should be made clear on this point by their parents prior to the trip. Students are responsible for their own belongings at all times such as passport, luggage and money.

Troubleshooting

In the event of any trouble or unexpected circumstances, students are encouraged not to handle the burden alone. The host family will be there at all times to comfort and resolve any issues that may occur. Accompanying NAC teachers will also be available to help resolve issues or improve student morale. The primary motive is to provide each student with a meaningful experience during the program. Host families will also endeavor to accomplish this goal during the length of the stay.

AGREEMENT

The Released Parties will not be responsible for any failure to comply with the terms of this Agreement and Release where such failure is due to causes beyond their reasonable control. These causes shall include, but are not limited to, fire, flood, explosion, strike or other labor disputes, wars, domestic or international acts of terrorism, domestic or foreign embargoes, acts of God, civil riot or insurrection, acts of any federal, state or local government agency, or judicial action.

I agree to conduct myself at all times in a manner acceptable to the administration of Nishiyamato Gakuen, Nishiyamato Educational Center and to observe all applicable rules and regulations set forth in the Student Manual. I will abide the following rules: A clean and wellcared for appearance should be maintained. Clothing is inappropriate when it is sleeveless, strapless, backless, or revealing; has slits above the knee; or is form fitting. Hairstyles should be clean and neat, avoiding extremes in styles and colors. Ear piercing and all other body piercing are not acceptable. Shoes should be worn in all public campus areas. I understand that unacceptable behavior may be cause for discipline or dismissal. If I leave the program at any time after the program starts for personal reasons, or because I am asked to return dismissed from the Program, the remaining homestay fee will not be refunded, and I will be responsible for the airfare and all transportation fees related to my return to home. If I request a transfer to another family for personal reasons, the assigned host family will retain the full contracted amount. I will pay an additional hosting fee to cover the new family, if one is found. No guarantees are made as to whether a suitable new family will be found.

Nishiyamato Academy of California, Nishiyamato Educational Center, will not be held responsible for personal injuries, accidents and illnesses etc. incurred at any time during this training program.

I understand the following: one bed or mattress may be offered. A private room is not guaranteed. In some cases, the host family may be changed due to a host family's private reason even after the program started. If I have some problems and complaints, I will report them to the coordinator during the program.

I understand what is covered and what is not covered by program fee.

The program fee will exclude:

Any expenses of your portion during hosted, personal expenses, and any snacks or meals during your free time, etc.

Cancellation Policy

30%

50%

80%

100%

6/19

5/15 ~ 5/25

5/26 ~ 6/5

6/6 ~ 6/18

Student Signature	Date

Guardian Signature_____ Date _____