

Homestay Application



Melbourne | Australia

Homestay Permission Notice

All international students at ELTHAM College are required to live with a Homestay family arranged and approved by the College unless they will be living close to the College with a parent, a person who has legal custody of the student, or a relative nominated by the parents. Whilst your child is staying with a homestay family in Australia, he/she will be cared for as if your child was a member of the homestay family. You need to agree to this understanding and to each of the following points numbers 1 to 7.

- 1 I agree that my son/daughter will live with a homestay family as if he/she were a member of that family.
- 2 I agree that the homestay parents are to act as custodial parents of my son/daughter which includes the right to have the daily care and control of him/her and the right and responsibility to make decisions concerning his/her daily care and control. Please note, however, that once a student turns 18 years of age, he/she does not require a custodial carer under the conditions of his/her Student Visa. However, it is an expectation that homestay students over 18 years of age will abide by the College guidelines for students living in homestay accommodation until such time he/she is eligible and approved for independent living.
- 3 I agree that my son/daughter may travel with the homestay family on trips/excursions and holidays.
- 4 I agree that the homestay parents may give consent to ELTHAM College for my son/daughter to participate in school organised events and excursions.
- 5 I agree that the homestay parents will not be liable to us for any loss or injury suffered by my son/daughter or for any decision made by the homestay parents whilst acting as custodial parents.
- 6 I agree that the homestay parents will have the right to make emergency decisions where my son/daughter is at risk, or is in need of medical assistance including surgery.
- 7 I agree to pay for any medical costs incurred which are not covered by my son/daughter's Overseas Student Health Cover.

To guide the homestay family, you are also requested to agree or disagree with the following additional points.

If you disagree with a point, please rule a line through and initial the deletion.

- 8 I agree that my son/daughter may drive in Australia if licensed to do so.
- 9 I agree that my son/daughter may smoke tobacco if over the age of 18 year of age, but not at school or in the home of the homestay family.
- 10 I agree that my son/daughter may consume alcohol responsibly if over the age of 18 years.
- 11 I agree that the homestay parents will have access to my child's academic reports.

Parents Authorisation

As parents of

Student's name

I and I

Father's name

Mother's Name

approve the Homestay arrangements made by ELTHAM College on our behalf, and more specifically agree to the points number 1 – 7 listed above, and also to the point numbered 8 – 11 that have not been deleted by us.

Signature of Father/Legal Guardian

Date

Signature of Mother/Legal Guardian

Date

Homestay Preferences

To help us place students with an appropriate family, please complete the following. This information will be used as a guide only. We may not be able to satisfy all your needs. **Please tick your son/daughters choice and give details where appropriate..**

Your son/daughter would prefer to live with:

- A single person
- An older couple with no children
- A family with young children
- A family with teenage children
- A family with other international students
- No preference

Most Australian families have at least one pet, often a cat or dog. Your son/daughter:

- Likes pets
- Would prefer no pets
- Is allergic to (please specify type of animal)

Most Australians have interests or hobbies besides work and study. What are your son/daughter's interests and hobbies?

- Sport (please list)
- Musical instrument (please list)
- Horse riding
- Woodwork
- Drawing/painting
- Crafts
- Other (please list)
- Photography
- Reading
- Dancing
- Community or charity work

Describe your family

If you have family or friends living in Melbourne or elsewhere in Australia, please give details.

Name	<input type="text"/>	Address	<input type="text"/>
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Will your son/daughter be going home for Christmas and other school holidays? Yes / No