



HOMESTAY MANAGEMENT

Homestays are selected and monitored by a Homestay Manager/Pastoral Support Person representing Marcellin College. In some cases, relatives or a close friend of the parents provide or select a homestay, in which case the college must **approve** the homestay before the student starts and provide ongoing monitoring.

The homestay family's responsibilities are:

To provide a safe environment by:

- Ensuring that there is adequate supervision and support and that the student feels part of the family
- Setting reasonable rules and boundaries and discussing expectations
- Ensuring that the student has a comfortable and safe environment to live and study in (clean room with at least a bed, desk, chair and adequate heating and lighting).
- Taking all reasonable care to ensure students are transported in a safe manner, by a licensed driver.
- Ensuring that students are not exposed to alcohol and/or drug abuse
- Notifying the school and Pastoral Support Person immediately of any problems i.e. medical condition, misconduct or homesickness
- Notifying the school of any changes or additions to the household

Homestay families will not be expected to:

- Provide an internet connection especially for the student
- Pay for toll or mobile calls
- Cook special food
- Insure the student's goods or pay for property the student damages or loses
- Offer accommodation for visiting family or friends

A more detailed breakdown of homestay responsibilities is available from the Director of International Students.

