



Adventure Homestays Abroad

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Paperclip two (2) color copies of a smiling passport size photograph of you here. Print your full name on the back of each photo in case they are detached.

Summer 2009 US Homestay Application

Each Section of this Application should be completed by the appropriate person as indicated preceding the section.

All parts of this application should be completed legibly by hand and should be filled out completely before submission. The full application must be submitted with a passport sized photo, a photocopy of your passport, and a non-refundable deposit of \$350. The deposit is your 1st payment of the full tuition. **No student's application will be considered unless all completed forms, photos, passport photocopies and deposits are submitted.**

Preferred Program _____ Preferred Departure Date _____

1- STUDENT INFORMATION

Last Name (as it appears on passport)		First (as it appears on passport)	Nickname
Permanent Address		City	State
Country		Postal Code	Home Area Code / Telephone
Day/Month/Year of Birth	Age at start date of program	Gender	E-mail Address
Citizenship	School Level.	School name, address, and website	
Father:	Last Name		First Name
	Address		Home Phone
	Occupation		Work Phone
Mother:	Last Name		Fist Name
	Address		Home Phone
	Occupation		Work Phone
Emergency Contact:	Last Name		First Name
	Address		Telephone Number
Siblings (Name and Age)			

US Homestay/English Immersion

3-4 Week Choices/ June 27– August 8 \$1,675

Includes Homestay accommodations, 3/meals/day, all transfers, international party, 2 day long excursions, health/ accident insurance.
Airfare and personal spending money not included.

Dates:

Please choose what 3- 4 weeks you would prefer between June 27 and August 8 We will make every effort to make those dates work for you depending upon flights and Host family availability.

Preferred dates: From _____ to _____.

In a Total English Language Homestay with a US Host Family you experience what the Host parents and siblings do each day, which will be an experience you will enjoy and remember as a milestone in your life. You will make new friends, speak and hear English consistently, and develop a much better understanding of US life and culture wherever and with whomever you may spend your 3-4 weeks.

We do give you some choices and possible additions.

The Summer 2009 AHA Homestay Adventure program offers choices in location and structure. You may choose to add 1-3 week-long summer camp options or a 3-week internship, which will add to your Homestay Experience. In North Carolina we also offer 45 hours of English Language instruction for an additional cost of \$300.

Locations include:

- San Francisco Bay Area
- Greater Chicago Area
- Minneapolis/ St. Paul and Duluth, Minnesota
- Miami, Florida
- Ann Arbor, Michigan
- Salt Lake City, Utah and surrounding towns
- Suburban New York City
- Raleigh/ Durham, North Carolina
- Central Massachusetts

Please give us your 1st, 2nd, and 3rd choices of US location. We will make every effort to give you your 1st choice unless it is filled.

1st _____

2nd _____

3rd _____

**North Carolina English Language Instruction/ 45 hours.
June 27- July 19, 2009 \$1975**

I would like to enroll in this program _____
Student signature

Camp Options:

Camp options are offered in most, but not all, locations. These camps offer the international student an experience with US students who have a similar interest. The camp tuitions cost between \$200- \$300, depending upon the choice and number of hours/ day. Please email basil@adventurehomestays.org for detailed information about your choice.

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| Fine Arts (drawing, painting, sculpture) | Theatre |
| Martial Arts | Dance |
| Basketball | Tennis |
| Fencing | Swimming |
| Soccer | Tennis |
| Golf | Horseback Riding |
| Ecology | Music |

1st camp choice: _____. Please explain why you chose
this camp and explain your level of expertise: _____

2nd camp choice: _____. Please explain why you chose
this camp and explain your level of expertise: _____

If you have an interest we have not listed, please let us know: _____

Internship and Volunteer Options:

Internship and volunteer options are available in most areas, although some are particular to the location you have chosen. An internship offers you the opportunity to experience a US workplace and meet both adults and other young people your age who are working at a job that is interesting to you. This is a non-paying internship and the hours worked will vary. You will not be asked to work 8 hours/ 5 days each week, but enough time to understand the workplace and the job. A volunteering experience again gives you the opportunity to meet people with like interests and also to experience volunteering as it happens in the US. You should have advanced English proficiency. We will email you details about the options you chose. There is no extra cost for Internships.

Please email basil@adventurehomestays.org for detailed information about possibilities, or call 415. 509. 6757.

Possible areas of interest to you:

Childcare

Animal Hospital

Childrens' Day Camp

Wildlife Sanctuary

Retail sales in a variety of clothing and sports equipment stores

Ranching

Farming

Lawyer's office

Doctor's office

Local Chamber of Commerce business office

Restaurants

Environmental cleanup and planting

Art Museum

My choice: _____. Explain why you chose this area of

Interest: _____

Interest not listed: _____. Explain why you chose this area of

Interest: _____

**Wasatch High Adventure Camp/ English Instruction,
June 29- July 21, 2009 \$3950**

I would like to enroll in this program _____

Student Signature

**Tennis and Language Classes in San Francisco
June 14- July 6 and July 19- August 9, 2009 \$3950**

I would like to enroll in this program _____

Parent Signature

My choice is _____ June 14-July 6 _____ July 19- August 9

To be completed by the Student:

More information about you:

How many years have you studied the English language? _____

What is your level of proficiency in the English? **(Circle one)**

Beginner

Intermediate

Advanced

Have you ever visited a country where English was spoken? **(Circle One)**

Yes No

If yes, then where? _____

What do you think is your best skill in the English language? **(Circle One)**

Reading

Grammar

Listening

Conversation

Vocabulary

Which English language skill are you most eager to improve? **(Circle One)**

Reading

Grammar

Listening

Conversation

Vocabulary

Do you plan to study the English after attending this program? **(Circle One)**

Yes No

3 – Interests and Activities

To be completed by the Student

List your two favorite activities and explain why you like them.

Activity One: _____

Activity Two: _____

Do you play any musical instruments? **(Circle One)**

Yes No

If yes, which ones?

4 – Writing Sample

To be completed by the Student

Personal Letter to your Host Family (Maximum 500 words)

In English, please introduce yourself, and tell about your family, where you are from and anything else you think they would like to know about you. Be as descriptive as you can be.

You may use a computer to write your letter.

5 – Candid Photos

Please include several photos of yourself, your family and friends and your local area attached to your application or send them as digital photo attachments to: basil@adventurehomestays.org

6- Medical Information

To be completed by Parent

Name of Student: _____

Height: _____ **Weight:** _____

Does the student wear contacts? **Yes No**

Does the student wear glasses? **Yes No**

Does the student have any allergies? **Yes No**

If yes, please list them. _____

Does the student have any special dietary restrictions?

Yes No

If yes, please list them. _____

Is the student currently being treated for any medical conditions?

Yes No

If yes, please list them. _____

Parent Signature _____ **Date** _____

6 – Conditions of Program Participation

To be signed by Student and Parent

AGREEMENT & RULES: Please read carefully and sign below.

1. LAWS: While participating in an Adventure Homestays Abroad program, student must abide by the local, state, and federal laws. Student must also act within the rules of the Host Family at any camp or workplace that he or she may choose. Breaking any law will be cause for immediate dismissal from the program and student will be subject to local law enforcement.

2. DRINKING: Drinking is strictly prohibited by any student while en route to, leaving or attending the an Adventure Homestays Abroad program and any infraction against this rule will result in student's dismissal with no reimbursement of program fees or associated costs of repatriation or return to parents domestically. Students may drink wine or beer with the Host Family in their home with their permission.

3. Smoking: Students may not smoke in the home of their Host Family without permission or at any camp or workplace. Rules for smoking are strictly enforced in many parts of the US.

4. DRUGS: The use of all non-prescription drugs is strictly prohibited. Student may use only drugs prescribed by a doctor for him or her. (Over-the-counter items like aspirin are permitted.) Involvement with illegal drugs during an Adventure Homestays Abroad program will cause immediate dismissal from the program with no reimbursement of program fees or associated cost of repatriation or return to parents domestically.

5. TRAVEL: While participating in an Adventure Homestays Abroad program, a student may not leave the local area without the permission of her or his Host Family or Area Coordinator. While on excursions, a student must adhere to the rules of comportment and politeness.

6. DRIVING: While participating in the Language School Program, student will not be allowed to drive under any circumstances. This includes motorcycles and farm equipment (unless appropriate for farm or ranch work). Seat belts must be worn whenever riding in a motor vehicle.

7. TELEPHONE: Telephone calls, text messages and e-mail to parents, siblings, or friends back home should be limited to once a week. All phone call expenses will be paid by the participant. You have come to the US to immerse yourself in the English language and US culture, not to be constantly connected to home, friends, family and your native language.

8. VISITORS: Students should get the permission of their Host family before having guests visit or stay overnight.

We understand that *Adventure Homestays Abroad* reserves the right to terminate a student's participation in the program at any time, if in the judgment of an *Adventure Homestays Abroad* that a condition arises that is likely to be detrimental to the health or safety of the student or other students – or if the student violates a an Adventure Homestays Abroad program rule or policy. Adventure Homestays Abroad cannot be held liable, financially or otherwise, for a participant's withdrawal or dismissal as a result of a pre-existing physical or emotional condition. No refunds will be made in such cases – travel expense arising from premature return home, either alone or accompanied, must be borne by the student.

We understand that an Adventure Homestays Abroad reserves the right to dismiss or send home any participant whose health, in the opinion of the attending physician, requires this action, or whose conduct, including the use of drugs, unacceptable sexual behavior, drinking, or refusal to comply with program rules, is unacceptable. In the event of dismissal, an Adventure Homestays Abroad will be the sole determiner of refund to be made, if any. Refunds will not exceed recoverable costs, and any excess cost will be borne by the student.

We understand and accept the risks of travel and living in a foreign country. We understand that while Adventure Homestays Abroad endeavors to make suitable arrangements for travel and for appropriate Homestays, accidents and travel problems can occur. We are participating because we believe our child is mature enough to cope with everyday situations and even unusual situations that may arise. As a condition to and as consideration for our child's acceptance in the program, and on behalf of ourselves, children, and relatives, we release an Adventure Homestays Abroad, its officers and directors, employees, coordinators, travel agents, and all chaperones, tour guides, schools, international organizations and host families from any liability, claims, or demands that may be asserted in connection with any emergency, accident, illness, or injury involving our daughter/ son's participation in the program or any cause, event or occurrence beyond the control of an Adventure Homestays Abroad - including but not limited to those relating to or connected with natural disasters, civil disturbances, acts of terrorism, and negligence of parties not subject to an Adventure Homestays Abroad program's control. We authorize an Adventure Homestays Abroad - and its employees and representatives to act for us in any emergency, accident or illness or injury involving our daughter/ son.

We understand that a student who leaves the program on her/ his own without express permission of AHA or its Area Coordinator may not expect the assistance of an Adventure Homestays Abroad, the Area Coordinator or the Host Family-- and Adventure Homestays Abroad will assume no responsibility for her/ his safety or activities once she/he has separated from the program.

Adventure Homestays Abroad program and its affiliates reserve the right to change or substitute, in emergencies or whenever normal circumstances change, any parts of the program when necessary. Adventure Homestays Abroad also reserves the right to change the cost, at a reasonable amount, of the program to meet unexpected changes in transportation, lodging, or exchange rates.

Photographs are an integral part of an Adventure Homestays Abroad program experience that brings the students' memories to life for their friends and family back home. The photos are also a testimonial of the student's lives abroad and are powerful representatives of an Adventure Homestays Abroad program experience. On our website, www.adventurehomestays.org, we often posts photos given to us by students who are excited to share their memories. We would like to continue this tradition so that others may see the experiences of our participants. By signing below, you grant an Adventure Homestays Abroad program permission to display photos taken of the student or given to us by the student.

We have read this Agreement and agree with the Adventure Homestays Abroad program purposes and accept all terms and conditions of this agreement - and all other rules, regulations and conditions set forth by Adventure Homestays Abroad.

Student Signature _____

Date _____

Parent Signature _____

Date _____

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Date _____

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