## **HOMESTAY NEWSLETTER - SEP 2025**



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### WELCOMING YOUR STUDENTS

Your new student has traveled a long way and might feel a bit overwhelmed. To help them settle in, a simple and relaxed welcome is best.

### When they arrive, please:

- Introduce them to your family and pets.
- Offer a drink and snack.
- Show them their space (bedroom and bathroom).
- Give them time to rest.

To help your student settle in, clearly explain your family's daily routines and expectations for shared spaces and encourage them to ask questions at any time.

### FIRST WEEKEND SUGGESTIONS

Plan for a relaxed and welcoming time. Include your student in simple family activities like a walk, a trip to the grocery store, or a local outing. Avoid overscheduling so they have time to rest and adjust.



After Hours Emergency Phone (For EMERGENCIES only)

**(604) 764-8815**Do not Text - Phone Only

### **LOCAL EVENTS & ACTIVITIES**

- 1. Summer in the Courtyard at Willowbrook
- 2. Picnic in The Park Walnut Grove
- 3. <u>Eagle Acres Corn Maze</u>
- 4. Air Fair at the Langley Regional Airport
- 5. Fort Langley Fall Market
- 6. <u>Labour Day at Burnaby Village Museum</u>
- 7. The Nikkei Matsuri



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# **REMINDERS**

### Curfew

Regular curfew applies over the holidays. Students and homestay can adjust curfew for ticketed events

- Sunday Thursday 8pm for younger than 16, 9pm for 16 and older.
- Friday & Saturday 11pm for all students

### **Cell Phones**

Ensure the student has a working cell phone with a Canadian number and data plan.

<u>PhoneBox</u> - cell phone service available for students

### First Day of School

The first day of school is **Wednesday, September 3, 2025,** for students who attended the orientation the previous week.

### **School Bus**

For students taking the school bus, please use the link below to find your bus stop.

**How to Find Your Bus Stop** 

### **Student Room**

Ensure each student's bedroom has a desk.

# **UPDATES**

### **New Walk Limit**

If the home is within **2.0km** of the school your student can walk, bike, etc.

## Homestay Orientation and Participation Agreement

We are pleased to introduce a new platform that will be used for our orientation and homestay agreement process. Participation is **mandatory** and will require the completion of designated courses.

If you have any questions or need assistance, please contact your coordinator.

Thank you for your cooperation!

**The Homestay Team** 





