International Program

We are preparing our students for the future. Our students are growing up in a world which is becoming much smaller through increased travel and ease of communication and we are connecting our students to this world through our International Program.

Our school hosts students and teachers from all over the world who come to be a part of our school community.

Through our ‘Sister School’ programs, our students also have the opportunity to visit other countries.

Marryatville High School is now a leader in International Education in South Australia.

Please return this form to Student Services or your child’s homegroup teacher.

We are interested in becoming a Homestay Family.

- Yes
- No
- Need more information

Preferred age

- 12yrs - 13yrs
- 14yrs - 15yrs
- 16yrs & over

Preferred gender

- Male
- Female
- Either

Preferred time

- 1 - 3 weeks
- 4 - 6 weeks
- 7 - 10 weeks
- Flexible

Contact Information

Family Name _____________________________
Home Address ____________________________
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Phone (H) ( __ ) ____________________________
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What is Homestay?
At Marryatville High School we regularly host students from other countries who come to Australia for a period of time to learn in our schools.

Many of these students are here to practise their English language and our homes are a great and practical place to do this.

Being a homestay family means inviting a student to become a part of your family for the time they are here. For many students and families, this relationship can last well beyond the visit to Australia and, for some, it will lead to life-long friendships.

Hosting a student from another country gives your family a wonderful opportunity to share cultures in your own home.

How long do the students stay?
Generally we host students for anywhere between 1 and 10 weeks at a time. We also host teachers for up to 10 weeks.

What about the language barrier?
These students usually come with average to very good English skills. They are here to use their skills in ‘real’ situations.

Where do the students come from?
Our short-term stay visitors usually come from Singapore, France, Japan, China, Taiwan, Brazil and Germany.

How old are the students?
Many visits include students aged 15 – 17.

Will we be paid to host the students?
Some of the visits are organised by agents and there is an arrangement for homestay families to be paid a weekly amount to support the visit.

Most of the visits are from students in our ‘Sister Schools’ with which we have reciprocal touring arrangements and for which there is no weekly payment.

What do these students need?
They need a safe and welcoming home. Mostly they need to be made a part of your family while they are here.

What do we need to do as a family?
Once you have decided that you would like to be involved as a ‘host family’, you will need to be placed on our ‘Homestay Register’ of interested families. You can start this process by filling out the form on this pamphlet.

It is now a legal requirement that:
• every person over the age of 18 living in your household be police checked. The school can arrange this.
• someone from the school visits your home to check suitability for having a student.

Where do I get more information?
Detailed information can be obtained from The International Students Program Office or The Development Office.
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