Dear Missoula Family,

Thank you for your interest in the English Language Institute (ELI) Homestay Program at the University of Montana. Homestay Host Families will receive a payment of $550.00 per student to cover the costs of hosting a student from Nagasaki University, Japan. A tentative calendar of the program is attached and an updated one will be provided to you in the coming weeks. Details about the payment as well as a description of Homestay Host Family responsibilities will be explained in detail in the ELI Homestay Contract.

We are now accepting applications from families who meet the following criteria:

- Are a homeowner in Missoula;
- Speak English as the primary language at home;
- Have time to spend with the student during their stay (in the evenings and weekends);
- Can provide a private, furnished bedroom for the student (if room is in the basement it must fit legal safety standards) and a nearby bathroom that has a shower;
- Can provide food for breakfast and dinners to the student on weekdays and weekends. Students will eat lunches at the University cafeteria during weekdays;
- Are available to drop-off the student at the airport when they depart (on Sunday March, 13);
- Will include the student in everyday family activities;
- Are willing to take the student on outings;
- Have internet connection available for the student’s use (it is not necessary for the student to have access to the family computer);
- Are available to provide some transportation (the student will be expected to use public transportation as their main source of transportation);
- Live on or near a public transportation route (i.e., a bus stop);
- Are not employees of the Office of International Programs at the University of Montana.

Prior to your acceptance as a designated Homestay Host Family, the ELI staff will conduct a one-on-one interview and a site visit. Please note that a criminal background check of all household members over the age of 18 is required for participation in the program. While we are always looking for new families to participate in our Homestay Program, our priority is finding a safe, clean, friendly and welcoming environment for our international students.

Thank you for your interest in the English Language Institute Homestay Program. You may also find more information on our website [http://www.umt.edu/international-programs/english-language-institute/homestay-program.php](http://www.umt.edu/international-programs/english-language-institute/homestay-program.php) or by contacting Rae Brouwer at (406) 243-6141 or rachel.brouwer@mso.umt.edu

Sincerely,

Rae Brouwer
Program Coordinator, English Language Institute
Application Date: __________________________

CONTACT INFORMATION

Host Parent #1:
Last Name: ___________________________________________ First Name: ___________________________________________
___ Male    ___ Female Occupation: __________________________
Work Phone: ___________________________ Mobile Phone: ___________________________
E-mail: __________________________________ Are you a current or past employee of UM? ☐ Yes    ☐ No
Do you have a criminal record for which you have not received an official pardon? ☐ Yes    ☐ No

Host Parent #2:
Last Name: ___________________________________________ First Name: ___________________________________________
___ Male    ___ Female Occupation: __________________________
Work Phone: ___________________________ Mobile Phone: ___________________________
E-mail: __________________________________ Are you a current or past employee of UM? ☐ Yes    ☐ No
Do you have a criminal record for which you have not received an official pardon? ☐ Yes    ☐ No

Home Address:
________________________________________________________ Postal Code: __________________
Home Phone: ___________________________
Nearby Transportation Route (bus line, route #, bus stop. Please visit http://www.mountainline.com/ for bus route information):
________________________________________________________________________

Language(s) Spoken at Home: ___________________________
List and describe all other persons living in the household (18 years and older require a criminal background check):

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HOMESTAY PREFERENCE

Would you prefer to host:  ☐ Female Only  ☐ Male Only  ☐ No Preference

Can you accommodate up to two students?  ☐ Yes  ☐ No

HOME DETAILS

Description of home: Sq. Ft. ___________  Stories _________  Bedrooms___________  Bathrooms___________

Please describe the guest room* available for a prospective homestay student:
*Basement must have a legal basement bedroom complete with an egress window.

____________________________________________________________________________________

Furnishings available in guest room:
☐ Single Bed  ☐ Double Bed  ☐ Queen Bed
☐ Window  ☐ Desk  ☐ Chair  ☐ Closet  ☐ Lamp  ☐ Bedside Table
Other: ____________________________________________________________

Does your home have the following?
☐ Smoke Detectors  ☐ Carbon Monoxide Detectors  ☐ Fire Extinguisher  ☐ Security System  ☐ Internet Access

Does your family have:  ☐ House Insurance  ☐ Liability Insurance

Provide a brief description of your neighborhood:
____________________________________________________________________________________

ABOUT YOUR FAMILY

Can your family provide a stable home environment free of alcohol/drug abuse, conflict, marital discord, etc.?
☐ Yes  ☐ No

Does anyone in the household smoke?  ☐ Yes  ☐ No

Student would be permitted to smoke:  ☐ Outside  ☐ Inside  ☐ Not at all

What role does religion play in your home?
____________________________________________________________________________________

Does your family have pets?  ☐ Yes  ☐ No

If yes, please provide information about pet type, breed, size, temperament, etc.:
____________________________________________________________________________________

Does your family own any registered firearms?*  ☐ Yes  ☐ No
*If yes, all firearms must be properly secured and not easily accessible. Please describe how your firearms are stored.

____________________________________________________________________________________
Dietary restrictions in your family: ☐ Vegetarian  ☐ Food Allergies  ☐ Other

**HOMESTAY INTEREST**

Why is your family interested in hosting an international student?
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Do you have any prior experience hosting international students? (Please describe):
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What previous experience does your family have working with international students and/or studying or working abroad?
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Family hobbies/interests/activities/likes:
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Family dislikes:
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Tell us a little more about your family:
______________________________________________________________________________________
______________________________________________________________________________________
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Students participating in ELI programs reflect a broad diversity of religious beliefs. Would your family be willing to respect the potentially differing religious views of a homestay student? 

*We encourage you to participate in the program as much as possible! If you are interested in joining your students during English Language Institute excursions and activities (highlighted in blue in the attached calendar) you will be responsible for your transportation, meals, and any cost related to the event. Please let us know one week prior to the program if you would like to attend these events.

**REFERENCES**

Please provide the contact information for 3 references who have known your family for a minimum of 5 years. We may be contacting these references if you are being considered for the Homestay Program, so please give them notice that they may be contacted.

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**HOW DID YOU HEAR ABOUT OUR PROGRAM?**

☐ ELI Website/Flyer  
☐ Friend/Word of Mouth  
☐ Newspaper Advertisement  
☐ Other __________________

**TERMS OF AGREEMENT**

By signing and submitting this form, you acknowledge and agree that all the information provided is true and accurate.

X ___________________________ Date X ___________________________ Date

Name

Once your application is completed, you may e-mail it to rachel.brouwer@mso.umt.edu, deliver it to the English Language Institute located in the International Center on the University of Montana campus, or you may mail it to

English Language Institute  
Attn: Rae Brouwer  
International Center  
Missoula, MT 59812

Applications are processed on a rolling basis. Please submit your application as early as possible.