Homestay Host Requirements

Each visitor is to have his/her own room, with access to a shared or private bathroom.

Upon their arrival, please provide your guest with clean lodging (bedroom/guestroom), and during their stay it is expected that the communal house area are neat and tidy. Delegates have rules to keep your home clean, as well.

Please provide clean sheets and towels and review with your guests where, how, and how often they can do their laundry.

Please discuss mealtimes, food preferences, and weekly schedules with your visitor. During the week, we ask that you have breakfast and dinner together the international delegate, if possible. If not, please provide provisions for the visitor to make/heat his/her own meal.

Please discuss house rules with your visitor, including opening and locking doors (hosts usually give house keys to their delegates) and operating home alarm systems.

The visitors will be given maps of the area and public transportation. In the first few days, we ask that you help them figure out their public transportation routes, accompanying them if at all possible.

The visitors generally have weekends and some evenings free. They are interested in American and Chicago culture. Communicate with your visitor about plans and please spend time with them sharing Chicagoland’s wonderful cultural treasures.

If you have pets, please review any rules associated with pet care, including whether or not the pet is allowed outside, certain doors kept closed, etc.

Please communicate rules on use of the computer, internet, television, and phone.