



**HOST ACCOMMODATION FOR JAPANESE STUDENTS FORM
NARA UNIVERSITY HIGH SCHOOL
VISIT 23 - 26 October 2019**

Please complete the following form to express interest in providing host accommodation for a Japanese student(s) on an educational/cultural visit for the period 23-26 October 2019.

Name of Parents: _____

Name of student _____ Year: _____
_____ Year: _____

Name and age of other children in the family:

_____ Age: _____ Age: _____

_____ Age: _____ Age: _____

Pets: _____

Home address: _____

Telephone number: Home: _____ Work: _____
Mobile: _____

Email address: _____

I have attached a copy of my Working with Vulnerable Peoples (WWVP) card

I have lodged my WWVP card application with the ACT Government Shopfront

Please note families cannot host unless a copy of the WWVP is attached



I wish to host 1 2 Japanese student(s).

Signature (parent/guardian): _____

Date: _____

Please return to the front office no later than Thursday, 4 July 2019.

ACT Working with Vulnerable People Registration

It is important to note that it is a legislative requirement that all hosts and any householders 18 years and over have current ACT WWVP registration before you can host an international student. If you and your householders have current ACT WWVP registration at the time you are applying to be a host, please provide a copy with the application form. If you do not have current registration, you will need to complete an application online with [Access Canberra](#). You will be applying as a volunteer and your application will have no fees. Please note that the WWVP registration process can take several weeks to complete and the IEU cannot place a student with you until you have provided evidence of your current registration.

HOST GUIDELINES

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FAMILIES HOSTING INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS

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SHORT TERM EDUCATION PROGRAM

Short term visit programs provide particular cultural and educational benefits. The contact and interaction between visiting students and the host school community broadens the horizons and enriches the lives of all involved. The visits are an important instrument in the development of improved cultural awareness, understanding and friendship between Australia and other countries.

Becoming a host family for an overseas student is a very worthwhile experience. The students in the ACT Education Directorate's Short Term Program are aged between 15 and 17 years and for most of these students it is their first time away from home. The students come to Australia as a group and participate in a program of English language tuition and cultural experiences at a local Canberra primary school, high school or college.

The following are some of the **essential requirements** to become a host family:

- You will be required to provide evidence of a valid Working with Vulnerable Peoples card for all household members over the age of 18 years.
- As students come to Australia to learn English it is essential that only English is spoken in the home.

- You will need some knowledge and understanding of the needs of young adolescents, a realistic expectation of cultural, linguistic and religious differences and an awareness of the emotional needs of young people being away from their home environment.
- A clear but flexible approach to matters of discipline, house rules and cooperative living. House rules and expectations should be clearly explained to the student on his/her arrival.
- A stable living environment with an Australian family is a very important part of a student assimilating into Australian society and improving their English. It is essential that the overseas student becomes part of the family and participates in family activities. It is not appropriate for students to be left alone in the evenings or on weekends.
- It is necessary to supply each student with their own bed. The bed must be a proper bed with bed linen and blankets.
- Breakfast, lunch, dinner and snacks are to be provided for the student. Students must be provided with a packed lunch or sufficient money to buy lunch for each day of the program.
- It is expected that the hosting family will arrange for the washing and ironing of the visitor's clothes.
- Please make it clear to the student which electrical equipment in your home he/she may use and any restrictions on this use.
- Be aware that some students have servants in their home and will not be used to doing household chores. Students have been advised that Australian families share household chores and they will be expected to do their share. They will be expected to keep their rooms tidy, to share bathrooms and to clean the bathroom after use.
- Use of the telephone for incoming calls at a reasonable time of the day should be allowed. Students have been encouraged to purchase an international telephone card which automatically debits their parents' account in their home country. Students must ask permission and pay for any phone calls they make from your home.
- If problems occur, the first thing to do is to discuss the matter with the student. If the problems cannot be resolved contact the program coordinator at the school or Ms Tracy Rood 0434 606 322 (phone 6205 6764) of the International Education Unit, ACT Government, Education Directorate at Stirling is also available to assist with any problems.