

Welcome

Congratulations on your decision to become a Livingstone Range host family!

Welcoming an international student into your home can be an exciting and rewarding experience for the whole family, and provides a range of benefits.

They include:

- ❖ Learning about other cultures, traditions and customs
- ❖ Having the opportunity to experience a cultural exchange in the comfort of your own home
- ❖ Seeing our own Canadian culture through the eyes of an international student
- ❖ Making a difference in the life of a young citizen of the world
- ❖ Receiving a monthly stipend to support groceries and quality of life activities
- ❖ Encouraging families to spend more time doing things together
- ❖ Developing a lasting friendship with the international student and his or her family
- ❖ Acquiring an interest in a new culture that could lead to new travel and language learning opportunities for you and your children

The Livingstone Range School Division is looking for homestay families to host international students for a short or long-term stay. Students may stay for four months, one semester, or up to one year.

Remuneration, depending on the length of stay, is offered to offset the student's living costs.

Homestay Families willing to open their hearts and homes to these international students are asked to provide the following amenities:

- ❖ Private bedroom
- ❖ Three wholesome meals a day and snacks as required
- ❖ Quiet, well-lit and heated study space
- ❖ Access to the common living areas of the house
- ❖ Hot water and facilities for bathing
- ❖ Laundry facilities
- ❖ Emotional and academic support
- ❖ Interaction with family members
- ❖ Participation in family activities
- ❖ Internet connection



Please be aware that all host family residents over the age of 18 will need to provide a Criminal Record Check (including a Vulnerable Sector Check).

If you would like more information about the Homestay Program or to refer a family, please contact us immediately.



For more information, please contact:

globalstudents@lrsd.ab.ca
Livingstone Range School Division No 68
P.O. Box 1810, 410 -20 Street
Fort Macleod, AB T0L 0Z0
Phone: (403)625-3356 Fax: (403)553-0370



HOMESTAY HOST FAMILY PROGRAM APPLICATION

Livingstone Range School Division No 68
P.O. Box 1810, 410 - 20 Street, Fort Macleod, AB T0L 0Z0

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DATE of APPLICATION:		SCHOOL ATTENDANCE AREA:	
		Bus:	Walk: Other:
LAST NAME:	APPLICANT NAME:	SPOUSE:	
TOWN:	STREET ADDRESS OR LAND DESCRIPTION:	MAILING ADDRESS:	POSTAL CODE:
EMAIL: <i>Please print clearly.</i>	PHONE NUMBERS: Home: _____ Work: (Applicant) _____ Work: (Spouse) _____	CELL PHONE(S): Applicant Cell: _____ Spouse Cell: _____	
APPLICANT OCCUPATION:		SPOUSE'S OCCUPATION:	
APPLICANT, EMPLOYER'S NAME:		SPOUSE, EMPLOYER'S NAME:	
APPLICANT, EMPLOYER ADDRESS:		SPOUSE, EMPLOYER ADDRESS:	

SELF DECLARATION Please check off the following statement:

Are there any conditions which might cause concern regarding your family's suitability as a Homestay Host family? Yes No

PRIOR TO SENDING IN YOUR APPLICATION, PLEASE ENSURE YOU HAVE DONE THE FOLLOWING:

- Attached** a complete **Homestay Family Program Application** (Please forward photos digitally)
- Applied** for a **Police Records Check** (including **Vulnerable Sectors Check**) on **each individual 18 years and older** residing in the home. This service is free, and can be done at your local RCMP detachment.
 - We realize that this information may take some time. Please visit your RCMP detachment to get this process started. Request that it be sent to the school division office, attention **International Student Program**. This will avoid any unnecessary delays for your acceptance into the program.
- Attach a Void Cheque.** Homestay Payments will be direct deposited to your bank account.

Complete in full. Please list all other persons living in your home. **Ensure children's hobbies / activities are completed.**

(1) NAME:	GENDER:	AGE:	DOB:
SCHOOL INTERESTS: HOBBIES / LIKES: OCCUPATION IF NON-STUDENT:			
(2) NAME:	GENDER:	AGE:	DOB:
SCHOOL INTERESTS: HOBBIES: OCCUPATION IF NON-STUDENT:			

(3) NAME:	GENDER:	AGE:	DOB:
SCHOOL INTERESTS: HOBBIES / LIKES: OCCUPATION IF NON-STUDENT:			
(4) NAME:	GENDER:	AGE:	DOB:
SCHOOL INTERESTS: HOBBIES / LIKES: OCCUPATION IF NON-STUDENT:			
(5) NAME:	GENDER:	AGE:	DOB:
SCHOOL INTERESTS: HOBBIES / LIKES: OCCUPATION IF NON-STUDENT:			
<i>(Please use the back side of paper if you need more space)</i>			
1. Have you ever hosted an international student before?		<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No
2. Please give specifics as to your hours of work and on-going commitments:			
3. Will there be parental supervision in the evenings?		<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> Other
4. What activities do you and your family enjoy that you would be willing to include your international student in?			
5. Do you belong to any community groups or organizations? (cultural, sports)			
6. Does your belief system restrict you from providing for or accommodating religious and cultural traditions other than your own?			
7. How many smokers, if any, are in your home?			
8. Do you have any pets? Indoor? Outdoor only? Please list; names are nice to share with prospective student's family:			

9. Some international students are vegetarians or have dietary restrictions. Can you respect and meet any necessary dietary requirements?

10. International students need to be treated as members of your family – with love, nurturing, guidance and respect. Can you meet this very important challenge?

11. How do you feel an international student can benefit from being placed with you?

Please provide two (2) character references:

NAME:

PHONE:

NAME:

PHONE:

I/We _____ of _____, have read the rules and responsibilities of the Livingstone Range School Division No 68 Homestay Family Program contained herein and I/we agree to fulfill the necessary requirements. I/We understand and agree that should I/we not fulfill my/our commitment herein, my/our services will be terminated.

I agree to indemnify and hold harmless the Livingstone Range School Division No 68, its elected officials and officers, employees, agents, volunteers, and representatives, or any of them, from any claims, demands, expenses, costs (including legal costs), suits, debts, liabilities and cause of action for which they may be liable as a result of personal injury or property damage that I or the student cause or contribute, or are held responsible for, jointly or severally, in connection with the student's participation in study in Canada and from any financial obligations student may incur.

SIGNATURE OF HOMESTAY PARENT:

SIGNATURE OF WITNESS:

SIGNATURE OF HOMESTAY PARENT:

PRINT NAME:

ADDRESS:

DATE:

PHONE:

Please submit completed applications via mail to:

Livingstone Range School Division No 68 Homestay Program
c/o Ken Sampson, Deputy Superintendent
Box 1810, 410 - 20 Street
Fort Macleod, AB T0L 0Z0
Phone (403) 625-3356

or via email to:

globalstudents@lrsd.ab.ca

or via fax to:

(403)553-0370

III. Easy Reference Guides

In order to make your student's transition to life in Canada easier, you may wish to check out the following items in advance:

- Location, telephone numbers and worship times of various churches or religious organizations close to your home
- School bus routes and times in your area (if required)
- Public library hours
- Names, addresses and telephone numbers of medical clinics and dental clinics close to your home
- Public swim times at local pools, public skating times etc.

Please provide the following photos and anything else you feel would be helpful to introduce your family to an international student.

Family Picture.

Picture of your home, living areas and exterior.

Picture of the bedroom your student will have.

Picture of washroom the student will use.

Pictures of interests, your pets, and activities you typically enjoy.



Livingstone Range
SCHOOL DIVISION NO. 68

A copy of this letter needs to be completed for each applicant over 18 years and given to the RCMP.

CRIMINAL RECORD DISCLOSURE REQUEST

A request for disclosure of criminal record is required for all Livingstone Range School Division No.68 potential Host Family applicants who are over the age of 18 that live in the hosting home.

I am applying to complete my application for the International Homestay Host Family program.

Agency: Livingstone Range School Division No. 68 www.lrsd.ab.ca
410 – 20 Street, P.O. Box 1810 403-625-3356
Fort Macleod, AB TOL OZO 800-310-6579

Applicant's Name: _____
Surname Given Names

Gender: Female Male

Maiden Name: _____ Birthdate: _____

Phone Number: _____ Email address: _____

Soc. Ins. No. _____ Driver's Lic. No. _____

Address: _____

Once completed by the RCMP, please return the disclosure record to Livingstone Range School Division No. 68.

I hereby authorize the RCMP to conduct a check to determine if I have a criminal record including a Vulnerable Sector check. The criminal record or the certification that no record exists will be forwarded back to me by the police and not to the school division. It will be my responsibility to provide this documentation to the Livingstone Range School Division No. 68 in a timely manner, in order that the Livingstone Range School Division may proceed further with my application for employment or volunteer services.

Signed: _____

Witnessed: _____

Date: _____