

Homestay Fee Increase Effective 7 January 2019

23 May 2018

Dear Homestay Families

Thank you for your valuable contribution to the Homestay Program for our international students. I would like to notify you of an important change to the South Australian Government Schools International Student Program.

Effective as of 7 January 2019 homestay fees will increase from \$280 to \$300 per week for a single room and remain at \$240 for a shared room.

Please note that from this date, the weekly homestay fee will be inclusive of sufficient Internet access for the purpose of study and communication with family/friends in home country. Homestay families will no longer be able to charge additional fees for Internet access, as this fee increase is expected to cover such expenses.

High School Graduate Program students are required to pay a room holding fee to their homestay family when they are away from their accommodation for 8 nights or more. This payment ensures the student's accommodation and belongings are secured for the period they are absent.

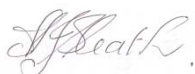
Room holding fees will continue to be calculated on a nightly basis at a flat rate of \$10 per night after the first 7 nights. For example:

Number of Nights	Calculation	Room Holding Fee
8	\$300 (first 7 nights) + \$10 (+ 1 night)	\$310
20	\$300 (first 7 nights) + \$130 (+ 13 nights)	\$430
28	\$300 (first 7 nights) + \$210 (+ 21 nights)	\$510
35 (or longer)	\$300 (first 7 nights) + \$280 (28 nights or more - max fee)	\$580

Please note that room holding fees only apply to High School Graduate Program students. All High School Graduate Program students pay their weekly homestay fees directly to their homestay family. Room holding fees do not apply to Study Abroad Program students. Please speak with your Accommodation Officer if you require clarification or have any further questions.

Thank you for your support of the Homestay Program.

Yours sincerely



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