



WELCOME AN INTERNATIONAL STUDENT TO YOUR FAMILY!

Be a part of the ELS Experience





OVER THE PAST 50 YEARS, ELS LANGUAGE CENTERS

has helped more than 1.1 million international students from over 175 countries worldwide learn English quickly and effectively.

Since 1961, students have chosen ELS to help them achieve their English language goals. With 12 class levels, state-of-the-art language technology centers, multiple testing services and university admission assistance, ELS ensures success through our personalized approach and commitment to student achievement.

ELS students learn so much more than just English. Their time here will be one of the most memorable experiences of their lives. Our students learn English and American culture both inside and outside of the classroom. In addition to effective English language instruction, ELS plans a wide range of activities for students, from sightseeing to sports and visits to local attractions, center parties, and more.

ELS/Bowling Green is located on the campus of Bowling Green State University (BESU), in one of America's safest, most affordable, and friendliest towns.



BENEFITS OF HOSTING INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS

- Learn about other countries, cultures and languages
- Be an ambassador for your community! Share your home and community with a foreign student and learn more about the student's life back home
- Make lifelong friends from around the world! Open your home to a student from Africa, Asia, Europe, the Middle East, South America and Central America



IN EXCHANGE FOR OPENING YOUR HOME, ELS HOMESTAY PROGRAMS WILL PROVIDE YOU WITH:

- Ongoing support and counseling from homestay provider and local ELS Center
- Flexible hosting terms – length of study program for students can range from four weeks to one year
- Compensation to offset expenses
- Networking opportunities with other local hosts



HOMESTAY PROGRAM REQUIREMENTS



- The most important characteristic of a great homestay host is kindness. A warm welcome into your home will be the first step towards a great experience for both you and your student.
- Our students require a private, furnished bedroom with a bed, linens, and a closet or dresser. The student will need a quiet, comfortable place to study in your home, although a desk in the student's room is not required.
- Hosts provide two meals a day — breakfast and dinner. Breakfast can be continental style. A sit-down dinner five to seven nights per week is required. Dinner is the best time to have conversation with your student. This is a wonderful opportunity for you to get to know each other, share experiences and learn about one another's culture.
- Opportunities to interact are vital to the homestay experience for ELS students. Invite your student to participate in your daily activities such as shopping, visiting friends, volunteering, or exercising. These experiences will help your student improve his or her English, as well as boost confidence!

**FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION ON
BEING AN ELS HOST FAMILY**

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