

HOST FAMILY/PLAYER GUIDELINES

Host Families will be expected to provide:

1. a clean, safe, smoke-free and pleasant environment, including a bedroom for the player staying with them
2. reasonable use of bathroom and laundry facilities
3. breakfast materials for players wishing to fix a morning meal

Players will be expected to:

1. keep their room in a clean and orderly fashion. Players will be held responsible for any household damages they cause.
2. provide their own health and personal care items.
3. be courteous, helpful and pleasant to their hosts.
4. refrain from the use of tobacco, alcohol, or drugs (see below).
5. minimize the noise level of their activities, including their comings and goings, so as not to unduly disturb their host family.
6. pay for their own expenses out of their own money.
7. charge long distance calls to a pre-purchased calling card or use a cell phone.

In past years, host family/player relationships differed substantially from player to player. We are asking that each player sit down with his host family within a few days of his arrival to discuss the following issues:

1. arrangements, including possible financial contributions, for any additional meals which the player eats at his host family's home, or any food which he buys to keep at the house;
2. how to handle late night arrivals (e.g., use of back doors, limitations on late-night showers, etc.). Because of the players' schedules, a curfew isn't really workable. However, it is important that player arrivals and departures are handled in such a way that the host family isn't disturbed;
3. guidelines relating to having friends over to the host family's home, including friends spending the night. This may be something that some host families won't mind, while others won't allow;
4. laundering uniforms. Please refer to the memo on Big Train uniforms;
5. particular rules for times when the host family is away;
6. for players legally of age to drink, guidelines regarding alcohol in the host family home;
7. any other issue of importance to either the player or the host family.

Please sign below, after you have discussed these guidelines together.

Big Train Player

Host Family

Date: