

Host Family Program

The Host Family Program is offered to Rowland Hall students whose families live out of state. A majority of these students are Rowmark athletes. The Rowmark student often has a non-conforming schedule with early departures and late arrivals all days of the week. Besides the regular school schedule, Rowmark students have a full, often demanding schedule of training and racing throughout the school year.

For the 2024-25 school year, the host family fee is \$1200 monthly.

Compensation consists of nine monthly payments starting September 1. The Host family timeframe include the few days between the August ski camp and the first day of school in late August, and the few days in early June between the end of the school year and the departure of the June ski camp. The extra days in August and June make up for the days the students are away from school during the November camp, winter break and spring break. Below is an agreement detailing expectations of the Host Family and the guest student.

Host Family/Student Agreement:

1. Student's room and furnishings

Host Family will provide all bedding and towels, desk for area of studying, laundry detergent and laundry facilities

Student/Parents will provide all personal toiletries, any medications/health items

2. Meals

Students requiring special diets, by choice or otherwise, will pay an additional amount.

Host Family will provide breakfast, lunch and regular "sit down" dinners all days.

Student/Parents will provide supplemental funds for any additional restaurant or "fast food meals.

3. Transportation (Not applicable if student has vehicle)

The Host Family will provide transportation to and from school. Host Family will also provide transportation to and from school for any Rowmark related activities weekdays and weekends. This often includes early morning (~6:30 am) drop off and late night pick-ups. During fall and spring trimesters, Rowmarkers have dryland training following school that typically ends between 5-6 pm.

4. Winter School Break

Guest student will be required to find alternative housing for winter break unless agreed upon in advance by the Host Family.

5. Miscellaneous

Parents will provide their own lodging and transportation when they are in town visiting their child.

The Host Family and parents need to address basic rules of student behavior in the host home (curfew, guests, TV programming, etc.). With regards to school attendance, the Host Family adult is responsible for notifying the RH office of excused absences or tardies due to illness, doctor appointments or other reasons. Similarly, only the Host family adult may retroactively excuse an absence or tardy.

6. What if...

We match student and Host Families as best we can. If the student and Host Family living arrangement is not working out, the Host Family Coordinator needs to be informed immediately. Steps will be taken to remedy the situation with all parties. A last resort will be the possibility of relocating the student to a different Host Family