

VAMPIRE HOST PROGRAM

The CEESA community of international schools provides learning experiences for our AISB students through workshops, festival performances and sport competition providing our students great opportunities to meet and share experiences with students who have similar lifestyles and interests. Experience has shown that many of these meetings lead to lasting friendships.

When our AISB Vampires travel to CEESA events the host school community will welcome our sons and daughters into their homes for the duration of their stay. When AISB hosts a CEESA tournament our international guests are similarly housed by our own school community. These events are able to happen thanks to our supportive parent community and their hospitality.

Families who have children participating in the middle and high school athletic and activity program must be aware of the hosting responsibilities that AISB undertakes through our membership and support of CEESA. By accepting membership and participating in the program, the student and family also accepts the responsibility for providing accommodation for our internationals visiting teams. This responsibility extends to match the number of sports and activities respective students participate in throughout the school year. While it is not a requirement of families with students in the elementary school to be a part of the program it could be very beneficial for the Athletics and Activities Department if families would be willing to help out.

The **VAMPIRE HOST PROGRAM** pamphlet can be picked up from the Athletics and Activities Office or at Reception. Please complete the enrollment form and return as soon as possible. All other information regarding the **VAMPIRE HOST PROGRAM** needs to be retained by the family. AISB has committed to host the events listed in the pamphlet.

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Any AISB family is welcome to enroll in VAMPIRE HOST PROGRAM

ATHLETIC & ACTIVITIES DEPARTMENT PROCEDURES REGARDING HOUSING

1. Students who are participating in the host event will be responsible first to host visiting students.
2. Students who are participating in the season of the host event will be responsible second to host.
3. Students who are participating in past/future seasons will be responsible third to host.

All students and families participating in the Athletic and Activities department are strongly encouraged to turn in the **HOST FAMILY PROGRAM FORM** where they are willing to host at least one event. It is general policy that the Athletics and Activities Department will make first contact with parents and students by e-mail, which is a general email to all of the following: MS Parents, HS Parents, or Parents of Students participating in the host event. Parents will then be contacted by phone by either the Athletic/Activities Director or the Athletic/Activities Assistant. From this phone call verbal confirmation will be given to host or not, and in the case of a positive confirmation arrangements will be made to

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receive the event program and guidelines. In the case of a negative confirmation the family will be asked to help secure a replacement family.

GUIDELINES

Each host family should follow these general guidelines, as well as read HOST FAMILIES RESPONSIBILITIES FORM – which is sent out before each event.

1. Provide housing for at least 2 visiting students, if possible more can be requested. Housing single students is discouraged by AISB and CEESA.
2. If housing cannot be provided by the family they are responsible to find another AISB family to take their responsibility for the host weekend.
3. On each day provide meals that are not provided by AISB
4. Transport to and from school by private vehicle, unless alternative transport is arranged. Please ensure that your guest arrives at school 30 minutes prior to the start of any activity. Respective school coaches may have cause to amend this at certain times
5. Adhere to curfew rules. All students must be in the host families at 22:00. All middle school students should not be allowed out of the host families' supervision
6. Substance abuse is strictly prohibited
7. Any violations of # 5 and 6 must be reported to the AISB Athletic & Activities Director
8. A comfortable sleeping arrangement. Comfortable means sofa couch, air mattress, pull-out bed or shared double bed.
9. Please expect to be contacted by your guests coach or chaperone at least twice during the event
10. Under no circumstances will housing arrangements be changed during the tournament.
11. Visiting schools arrive on the first day of the event after 15:00 pm and depart on the Sunday depending on their respective schools departure times. On Sundays host families are responsible solely for breakfast and transport to the school at appointed drop off times.

ATHLETICS & ACTIVITIES EVENTS HOSTED BY AISB: 2015-2016

EVENT	DAYS & DATES	# OF VISITING STUDENTS
CEESA MS Girls Soccer	Thursday October 8 to Sunday October 11	90
CEESA HS Varsity Girls Soccer	Wednesday November 4 to Sunday November 9	90
MS Band Festival	Wednesday February 3 to Sunday February 7	70
Vampire Basketball Classic	Friday February 12 to Sunday February 14	40
CEESA MS Boys Basketball	Thursday March 5 to Sunday March 8	70
CEESA MS Girls Softball	Thursday May 14 to Sunday May 17	84

Disclaimer: The number of visiting students mentioned above are an estimate and are based on the maximum roster limit of all the schools participating in each event. The numbers of visiting students could be lower than the stated number. AISB officially receives all information from visiting schools up to at least 4 weeks prior to the event.

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FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS?

Why are our students housed? And what is the reciprocal housing agreement?

When our teams travel to CEESA events our athletes and participants are housed by families from the host school, and this is offered when schools visit AISB.

Why don't the students stay in hotels?

The extra cost and organization of arranging hotel accommodation, and the extra supervision that would be required make hotels a poor choice. The reciprocal housing agreement has been in place since the beginning of CEESA and works very well in practice. The friendships that develop between the students and the important learning experience of staying as a guest in the home of someone you have just met, are added bonuses. AISB students do however, stay in hotels when events' organizers, such as, ISTA and MUN do not arrange host families.

My son/daughter participates in the Athletics & Activities Program.

Will we have to house visiting students?

Yes. As parents of an AISB Athlete or Activity participant you have a responsibility to the program to provide housing at some point during the season or for CEESA events. While we understand the burden on host families the positives of the experience definitely outweigh any negatives!

VAMPIRE HOST PROGRAM ENROLLMENT FORM

Please complete and return the form to the Athletics and Activities office (located in the gymnasium)

Family Name: _____ Home Phone: _____

Cell Phone Mother: _____ Cell Phone Father: _____

Email Contact address: _____

Home Address: _____

Children's Name: (age, grade, gender)

Name: _____ Age: _____ Grade: _____ M F

Name: _____ Age: _____ Grade: _____ M F

Name: _____ Age: _____ Grade: _____ M F

Name: _____ Age: _____ Grade: _____ M F

Do you have a pet: Dog Yes/No Cat Yes/No

Is there any serious family issue (major home renovations, serious family illness, etc) that could eliminate your family from host family consideration? YES No

If you answered yes, the AISB Athletics and Activities Director ask for a personal letter detailing the reasons by this decision. Our family is interested in hosting for the following events:

EVENT	DAYS & DATES	CONFIRMATION	
		YES	NO
CEESA MS Girls Soccer	Thursday October 8 to Sunday October 11	YES	NO
CEESA HS Varsity Girls Soccer	Wednesday November 4 to Sunday November 8	YES	NO
MS ISTA Drama Festival	Thursday February 5 to Sunday February 8	YES	NO
Vampire Basketball Classic	Friday February 12 to Sunday February 14	YES	NO
CEESA JV Boys & Girls Basketball	Thursday March 5 to Sunday March 8	YES	NO
CEESA HS Boys Tennis	Thursday May 14 to Sunday May 17	YES	NO
CEESA HS Boys Softball	Thursday May 14 to Sunday May 17	YES	NO

Parents Signature: _____ Date: _____