

STUDENT LETTER TO THE HOST FAMILY

To be written by the participant in the host country language

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YOUR LETTER TO YOUR HOST FAMILY IS ONE THE MOST IMPORTANT PARTS OF YOUR APPLICATION.

It is an opportunity to reveal your true personality. Your host family will want to know about your habits and routines, your likes and dislikes, your family and friends, your interests and hobbies, your community and school. Add any additional information that will help your host family know you better. You may use the next three pages for your letter to the host family. 250 words minimum

PLEASE USE BLACK INK

(If this letter cannot be typed, print legibly)

Dear my host family,

Hi! My name is Yoon Kyung. I am looking forward to meeting you.

My hometown is Seoul city in South Korea.

I'm a 16 year-old teenager who is taking the first step into the life as an exchange student.

Currently, I am in 9th grade in middle school.

I am very excited about my trip to U.S. and meeting my future host family!

Let me introduce myself.

First of all, let me introduce my lovely family. I have 4 members in my family. There are kindly father, warm mother, lovely older sister and me.

My father is a businessman. Although he is busy, he never loses his smile on his face.

When he gets a lot of stresses, I always massage his shoulders. HaHa. He is very kind and nice.

Also, he is good at cooking. His cooking is really great and delicious. I like his cooking.

My mother is a teacher in national Korean traditional music high school, so she is good at Korean traditional instrument, Haegeum. Her playing is really good.

Also sometimes she teaches me a Haegeum, so I can play it a little bit.^^

My older sister is in University and she studies a business administration. She has great talent in administration. She is very bright and cheerful. And sometimes she advises me when I have a trouble. I like her very much.

Second, when most people who first see me – usually my friends – they tell me that I am a little bit shy first. But I can be familiar with people quickly. So all of my friends tell me that I am pretty positive and talkative. I am very outgoing and open. I think there could be some troubles in misunderstanding between your family and me. But I hope you feel free to ask if you have any questions, suggestion, problem and regulations.

I have lots of favorites like as watching movies, playing with animals, chatting with my friends online, reading novels and listening to music. These hobbies are important part of life. Usually I just enjoy these things. Also on Sunday, I go to church and I join various groups to praise Jesus more. I can make friends well in church. And I like pet very much, especially puppies and rabbits. They are so cute.



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I am good at running. So I was an athlete in elementary school. Also I learned ballet when I was 10 years old. But I quit it when I was 14 years old. Because I have to study at that time. But I am very very regretting that now. I want to learn ballet now, but I have a pretty straight body, not soft!^^;;

I have to go to school until 8:30 in Korea, but I heard that I have to get up 5 o'clock and go to school until 6:40 in U.S. I think it is a little bit hard for me, but I can do it!! Haha.

In school, I love to talk with my friends. Also I like to eat something, so I often go to cafeteria in school.

My favorite subjects are English and Math. I just like English very much. So I can have a good grade in English and Math. On the other hand, I don't like science. It is very hard subject for me.

I like people and I am sociable, so I can be familiar with new friends quickly. I have many funny friends.

In Korea, sad to say that there are not many clubs or groups in school. So when I go to U.S., I want to join many sports clubs and groups in U.S. high school.

One of my dreams is to travel the world and I believe this would be a great opportunity to learn more about American culture and to gain experiences in a different environment. I will do my best upon to arrival. Actually, I went to English camp held at university for 3 weeks. The reason why I went there, I wanted to live for 3 weeks without Korean. It was very exciting. I tried to speak only English all the time. It was good chance to improve my English skills.

I want to meet you very much! As I spend more time with you and once I get to know you better, I'll try and step towards you first.

To have a wider vision and to achieve my dreams in life, I am sure this one year as an exchange student could be very precious memory and experience. I am glad that I am going to be one of your family members. I hope you are happy to see me. I hope I can learn many things from you and your family during staying in U.S. I am very looking forward to the year I'll spend and all the good times I'll have.

I am also very looking forward to meeting you and spending time with you. I am so excited already. Until I see you, I wish you take care and have great days.

Sincerely yours,

Yoon Kyung