

Responsibilities Versus Considerations



Association for Teen-Age Diplomats

Host Parents' Responsibilities

(May be the same for natural children.)

Provide study area, bed, and meals (to include school lunch if not provided by the school, meals at home, and dining out with the family).

As a unit the family shares ideas and values in their daily routine.

The parents set limits and share family exchange expectations. They verbalize family rules to all of their children. When problems arise, they deal with them as a family.

Regarding school, the parents set expectations for school work and grades.

Church attendance is a family decision.

Violations of school or family rules are handled by you as a family.

For Host Parents' Consideration

Toiletries, telephone and cell phone charges, wardrobe, and cost of social activities are the student's responsibility, but host parents may help if they wish. (If host parents insist on the student having a cell phone, the host family should pay.)

Coming from a different culture, the exchange student may have different values. The student needs to abide by the rules of the family, but not the values (i.e. they need not accept the values but must respect them).

If problems arise in the family involving the student, the family is encouraged to share with, and ask for advice from, the Program Chair. Support services are available. It is important to deal with problems when they are small, before they get too big to be corrected.

ATAD exchange students are expected to participate in class, do all homework, take all tests, and maintain at least a "C" average.

ATAD exchange students make their own decisions regarding church attendance. That is one issue we cannot control.

Exchange student violation of the law or ATAD Rules and Regulations will be handled by ATAD and the Program Chair, with your input.