

Community Friend Agreement

The Multicultural Center and International Student Affairs (MCISA) truly appreciates your willingness to participate in the Webster International Friendship Program. This program affords many of our international students an opportunity to learn more about American culture while cultivating friendships with individuals in the community. In order to ensure the safety of the students and integrity of the program, the MCISA requests that participating community friends agree to the following expectations and responsibilities:

Community Friends agree to:

- Make contact with the student at least twice each semester.
- Contact the Program coordinator if you can no longer continue participating in the program.
- Contact the Program coordinator if you are unable to make contact with your student within six weeks.
- Inform the MCISA if there are changes in any of the information contained on your application, (e.g. number of household members, pets, address, etc.)

Community Friends are not expected to:

- Provide housing for students at anytime.
- Provide housing for students' visitors or family members.
- Take or pick up students from St. Louis International Airport.
- Assist with academic or health problems.

Community Friends should not:

- Loan money to students.
- Assist with questions regarding immigration or visas.

By signing below I acknowledge that I have read and understood the following:

1. The references I listed on my application may be contacted by the Webster International Friendship Program coordinator. In addition to those listed, other references may be contacted.
2. The application information I have provided may be used to conduct an initial and annual criminal background check, and be used solely for the purpose of evaluating my suitability as a Webster International Friend Program participant. I hereby consent and voluntarily authorize the MCISA to perform such checks.
3. My vehicle must be fully insured if I will be transporting the student in my vehicle.
4. The MCISA is not obligated to match me with a student.
5. As the MCISA is nonreligious and apolitical, I will not engage in proselytizing my religious or political views to the student.
6. The MCISA is not liable for the acts or omissions of the participants (volunteers or internationals) in any service or program that it supports.
7. The MCISA may request a copy of a valid Driver's License or State ID, and proof of vehicle insurance.

Print Full Name: _____ Date: _____

Signature: _____

Please submit completed form to the MCISA. Thank you!

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