



Meridian Homestay Services is a Sydney based Homestay provider with more than 20 years experience finding homes for students from all over the world.

The team at **Meridian Homestay Services** is one of the most established, professional, focused and client aware Homestay Agencies in Sydney.

North Sydney English College and Lloyds International College works in conjunction with Meridian Homestay Services (www.meridianhomestay.com.au) to deliver high standards in Homestay for their students.

Why would you choose Homestay?

Homestay is a type of accommodation for students from another country staying with a local Host family whilst they are studying abroad. Homestay is a popular option for students who need a safe, economical and convenient place to stay. Students can adjust quicker in a new environment with the friendly support offered by Host families. They have the opportunity to make new friends, experience the Australian lifestyle, culture, weather, and society and practice their English and participate in the daily routine of the Host family's life.

All Host families are inspected by Meridian Homestay Services to ensure they meet Federal Government supported standards. It is mandatory for all Host families to have a Working with Children Check, and commit to Host insurance.

We also offer a 24-hour, 7-days a week Emergency Support Service, for students and Host families.

What Homestay Provides

- Homestay offers breakfast and the evening meal 7 days a week and lunch on weekends, if you are home
- The types of homes in Sydney vary: you may live in a house, apartment, townhouse or villa
- You will have your own furnished bedroom, a bed, desk, adequate lighting, warmth provided in winter, cooling in summer and access to a bathroom and space to hang your clothes and store your belongings
- Bed linen, sheets, quilt cover and a towel will be provided
- Access to laundry facilities to wash your clothes
- Your Homestay fee includes the cost of water, electricity, and gas. You will not be charged extra for these utilities

- In Homestay there is a weekly fee of \$10.00 for the use of the Internet – this is to be payed directly to the Host family
- Your Host will assist you with public transport on your first day to your College/Internship
- The Host will assist you with the initial purchase of your mobile phone and SIM card, Opal card for public transport, and setting up an Australian Bank Account, if required
- You will get to feel part of a family and live in a safe environment
- You will be able to practice your English with your Host family



How to apply for Homestay

1. Click on the following link to be taken to the online application form:
<https://www.meridianhomestay.com.au/students/student-online-application-form.html>
2. Fill out the form and submit
3. If you have any questions refer to Meridian Homestay's website:
www.meridianhomestay.com.au
4. Or feel free to email Meridian Homestay Services: MHS@meridianhomestay.com.au