



City of Las Vegas Mayor's Cup, International Soccer Tournament



Top 10 Host Family Guidelines

- Host families will contribute much to the comfort of their guests if they inquire upon arrival about food restrictions, medications, allergies, etc. Most of this information will be provided in advance. Prior to the boy's arrival, please let Karen Whisenhunt know if you have any pets, what they are and their size. **It is forbidden to give the boys medication without permission from their coach** as they are drug tested on a regular basis. If your boys require unprescribed medication, contact Karen Whisenhunt at 702-296-7984 or Bob Caldwell at 702-271-8189 immediately. They will track down the coach and instruct you on how to proceed.
- The boys do speak English, some better than others. Pointing and charades comes in handy as do translation apps. **Also, please download the WhatsApp app** on your cell phone as this is the easiest way for the host family group to stay in touch and is an app most of our guests use. You will also receive a host family assignment list which will include information about your guests, contact information for each host family and the itinerary.
- The boys have two uniforms and will be told by their coach which uniform to wear each day. Please take care of their laundry needs daily and confirm with the boys which uniform they need before you leave your house.
- These young teenagers are our guests and responsibility. They should be treated as you would treat any other member of the family. Although we don't anticipate any issues, please report any incidence to Karen Whisenhunt as it happens. Early intervention can solve any issues that may occur.
- Please provide breakfast, lunch and dinner each day unless other plans have been arranged. This includes meals at the soccer field between games. For those of you not staying to watch the games, please let Karen Whisenhunt know. We encourage buddying up with other host families to ensure all the boys are taken care of. When traveling around, ensure your guests have bottled water and stay hydrated.
- You will be required to take your guests to their scheduled activities. **Please make sure they arrive early as listed on the itinerary you will receive. Please stick to the itinerary for scheduled events.**
- When activities are not scheduled, they enjoy sightseeing and love to shop. The host may want to give them choices of activities. You are encouraged to partner up with other host families for activities. The boys like to do things together. We do a lot of "winging" it so please be flexible. **It is, however, forbidden for the boys to shop or sightsee between games. Please DO NOT do this, feed them, and have them rest between games.**
- The team members will need rest to prepare for their soccer games. Please avoid the temptation of scheduling too many activities and late nights.
- Remember, these are teenagers. They may need extra enticing to get them to go to bed or getting them up in the morning. Upon their arrival, ask them how much time they need to get ready in the morning.
- Hosts should try to operate their homes in as normal a manner as possible. Our young guests want to learn about our normal family lives. Exchanging cultures and speaking English is all part of their experience.

**Have fun! Thank you for being an Ambassador of Goodwill and Friendship for
the Las Vegas Rotary Club, our City and Country!**