



The Network of Complementary Schools, Inc.  
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Dear Parent(s):

The Network of Complementary Schools, Inc. (hereinafter “The Network”) is a not-for-profit organization of approximately 20 schools within the United States and Canada which serves as a clearinghouse for the exchange of students from one school to another for the purpose of offering an educational experience in a new setting. This service, provided strictly as an accommodation to the participating schools and to the students and their parents, offers an opportunity for 8<sup>th</sup> through 12<sup>th</sup> graders to visit schools in other areas of the United States and Canada for a period of 1 to 5 weeks and to both continue and broaden their normal course of studies while in the host school. During that time, the student will either stay with a host family selected by the host school, or, if available, in the host school’s dormitory.

Although the Network, through the host school, screens the host family and attempts to provide for suitable and safe accommodation for the student, the Network makes no warranty of any kind as to the suitability of the participating host parent(s) to supervise or be responsible for the student. It is the responsibility of the parent(s), after the student has been placed with the host family, to contact the host family and to keep in touch with their child to make sure that the accommodations are acceptable and that the home is suitable for their child.

It is also the responsibility of the parent(s) to notify both the Network advisor at their child’s school and the host family of any special conditions or concerns applicable to their child’s participation in the Network. These include any limitations on the child’s activity for health reasons, safety concerns, prohibited activities, or any medical or physical condition about which the Network and host family need be on notice. Accordingly, a questionnaire has been attached which addresses such concerns.

The student has been apprised of the rules and expectations of the Network applicable to the student’s visit to the host school and to the student’s stay with the host family. Among these expectations, set forth in the General Expectations for Network Students which is part of the application form, are that the student fulfill all responsibilities required of him/her on the job or in class, that the student maintain contact with the home school advisor, that the student follow the rules of the host school, that the student obey

local, state and federal laws while in the host community, that the student is prohibited from operating motor vehicles while in the host community, and that the student is prohibited from using alcohol and/or any controlled substance while in the host community. If the student violates any of the aforementioned rules, he/she will be sent home at the parent's expense.

Additionally, if the student is required to return home for medical reasons (illness, injury), or for any other reason prior to the conclusion of the program, the parent is responsible for all expenses incurred by the Network or the host school due to the early departure, and the parent is responsible for transportation of the student back to his/her home.

Students are asked to acknowledge their permission to The Network, or any of its agents or member schools, to use photos or segments of the student reports submitted in print and/or non-print format for the purposes of publicizing, promoting or describing Network programs.

Students are placed in programs at host schools that are members of the Network and whose advisors attend the annual Network conference where program expectations are discussed. However, the Network makes no warranty or guaranty of any kind with respect to the services offered, and it is in the nature of a program such as this that the experiences sometimes differ from what was anticipated. The Network has no liability insurance coverage and the Network expressly disclaims responsibility for any injury of any kind whatsoever resulting from the use by your child of the services provided by the Network. Kindly complete the attached questionnaire and read and sign the attached release and permission form.

If you have any questions, please contact \_\_\_\_\_, the home school advisor at your child's school.

Very truly yours,

The Network of Complementary Schools, Inc.