



## STUDENT CHECKLIST

Please complete the following steps with your Network Advisor's support in order to ensure a successful Network Program.

### **Before You Depart:**

- Visit the Network website at [www.netcompsch.org](http://www.netcompsch.org) to familiarize yourself with the member schools and select one to three schools that fit your interests and goals.
- Discuss the possibility of a Network program with your family and go over the member school options with them. Figure out what time of year would be ideal for you to travel and any dates that would not suit your family.
- Pick up a Pre-Application form from your home school's Network Advisor and complete it. This will require you to discuss the possibilities with all of your teachers/coaches/advisors or deans to get their support for your participation.
- Turn in the pre-application to your home school Network Advisor and await confirmation from them that your selected host school can accommodate you and is ready for your application.
- Get an application packet from your home school Network Advisor and complete it. Check your spelling, write neatly, and hand it in when completed.
- Visit Wordpress or Blogger and create a blog. Share the URL with your home school Network Advisor. Refer to the Network Blog Guidelines sheet to prepare for expectations
- Prior to departure, get an Academic Planning form from your home school Network Advisor and speak with each of your teachers about their expectations for you and ask them to sign the form.
- Once the host school has shared contact information for the host family, begin communicating with your host sibling and planning travel dates/times that will suit both families and schools.
- Confirm the following logistics with your host family or host advisor before you depart:
  - How will you get to and from school and elsewhere?
  - Is there anything special you should bring (computer? Etc.)
  - Are they aware of your medications/allergies?
  - Will you be buying or packing lunches?
  - What classes will you take?

### **During Network Program:**

- Write in your blog daily. Use the Network Blog Guidelines sheet to guide your blogging
- Post photos to your blog and to social media with #networkschools
- Create a short video (3minutes or less) with your host. Include any/all of the following:
  - Footage of you doing something you would not normally do or would not be able to do at home (extracurricular, class activity, field trip, sightseeing, etc.)
  - Complete an interview/conversation with your host and include any of the following:
    - What did you both hope to get out of participating in the Network?
    - How has your perspective been broadened?
    - What connections have you made?
    - Why would you recommend the Network to others?

### **After the Network Program:**

- Write thank you notes to your host family, host school Network advisor, and anyone else that was particularly supportive of you at your host school.
- Check in with your home school's teachers and make sure you have met all expectations.
- Tell your teachers and peers about your experience!
- Consider hosting a Network student in the future!