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Academic Year/Term Program General Terms & Behaviour Agreement 2024-2025

Equinox Education Services Academic Term/Year Program is open to students of all nationalities aged between 12-18 years old. All Equinox Education Services programs promote Cultural Exchange which requires openness and willingness to learn and adapt to -with understanding and appreciation- the customs of the culture, community and hosting environment of the destination, which may be very different from one's own.

All information supplied on the application form must be accurate. If any of the information provided needs to be amended, please let us know as soon as possible.

All applicants must divulge any medical issues/requirements prior to their arrival in Ireland. This information is highly necessary at the moment of selecting a school and host family for the applicant and undivulged medical issues can possibly lead to the student being sent home. If any applicant is found to be unable to complete the program due to a medical or social problem, Equinox Education Services reserves the right to refuse the applicant enrolment in the Academic Year Program.

Equinox Education Services does not tolerate any form of anti-social behaviour including any type of singling-out or bullying (which includes cyber bullying), racism, lying, theft, physical or verbal harassment or assault.

Students aged 16 years old or under cannot travel outside their local area without the accompaniment of a responsible adult (member of their host family, school or Equinox team). Students aged 17-18 years old can only do so with written permission from their parents via a form which is available upon request from the Student Coordination Team. This form must be received by Equinox Education Services at least 48 hours prior to the date of travel.

Curfew for all students is no later than 6.30pm during the Winter Term (September to mid-May) and up to 9pm in the Summertime ONLY (from mid-May to the end of August) with the exception for those who are participating in supervised extracurricular activities.

Students must not congregate in town centres after 6.30pm at any time of the year.

Host Families will provide suggestions, support and assistance, but are not tour guides or taxi services.



Host families should not be treated as hotels, students must be willing to interact and communicate with the host family. Integration into the host families' lives varies case by case. Students should feel like a true member of the family.

All costs related to academic student's medical or dental care are the responsibility of the parents. All parents must consent to medical treatment under the Guardianship of Equinox Education Services in the event of a medical emergency.

For Students found to be in breach of this Agreement, a three-tier system applies:

1. For a Minor Infraction, a verbal warning will be issued on the first instance.
2. For a second Minor Infraction or a first Moderate Infraction, a Written Warning will be issued and copies will be sent to home country agents/parents as well as host family and school if so required.
3. For a third Minor Infraction, a second Moderate Infraction or a Serious Infraction, the student faces the possibility of being sent home without notice. The cost of flights and airport transfers for the homeward journey are the responsibility of the parents/guardians.

Declaration of Parent/Guardian:

I have read the above General Terms and agree to them.

I confirm that my son/daughter is sufficiently mature to handle independent international travel and cross-cultural adjustment.

I understand that my son/daughter must follow Irish law and that in no circumstances can they take illegal substances including alcohol, tobacco products or vapes.

I understand that Equinox Education Services policy is not to allow students to attend any discos, house parties etc that are not supervised by Equinox Education Services or their school. In the interest of child safety this rule cannot be overturned by home country agents or natural parents.

I understand that my son/daughter may be placed in a single-person household, a household without children, etc. Placements are not restricted based on any local characteristics, such as regional accents or dialects, ethnic character of community, types of industry, economy, weather etc. Equinox Education Services do not discriminate against any race, creed or religion.

I understand that, in the event of discontent with my son/daughter's Host Family, all complaints are to be directed through my home country agent or Equinox Education Services. Under no circumstances will I contact the host family directly to make a complaint about them.

I understand that (unless in case of emergency) my son/daughter will not change Host Family in the first month after arrival, to allow time for them to settle and for the Equinox Education Services team to resolve any issues or misunderstandings.

I agree to reimburse hosts, schools or other property owners for any damage to their property which is caused by my son/daughter.

Declaration of Applicant/Student:

I have read the above General Terms and agree to them.

I understand that I must follow Irish Law and that in no circumstances can I take illegal substances including alcohol, tobacco products or vapes.

I understand that Equinox Education Services policy is not to allow students to attend any discos, house parties etc that are not supervised by Equinox Education Services or my school and that this rule cannot be overturned by my natural parents.

I understand that I may be placed in a single-person household, a household without children, etc., and that placements are not restricted based on any local characteristics, such as regional accents or dialects, ethnic character of community, types of industry, economy, weather etc.
Equinox Education Services do not discriminate against any race, creed or religion.

I understand that I will not change host family in the first month of arrival.

I agree to respect the property of my host family, school and any other person while I am living in Ireland.

Parent Name:
Parent Signature:
Date:

Student Name:
Student Signature:
Date:

This must be completed and return to Equinox Education Services before student arrives in Ireland

