

SECTION 6: International Student Agent Responsibilities

International students and their families sometimes hire agents to help place the student in an international student program. International student agents should:

1. Provide support to international student programs, homestay program providers, and international students and their families, particularly in regard to communicating with the parent/guardian if and when requested by the homestay program provider or the international student program.
2. Be familiar with the BC K-12 International Student Homestay Guidelines and the best practices expectations of the homestay sector in B.C.
3. Help students to understand and abide by all rules/guidelines established by the homestay program provider when staying with a host family arranged by that provider.

Agents are paid consultants, based in B.C. or abroad, who help to arrange aspects of an international student's education or travel. In cases where the agent arranges for the homestay, the agent would also be considered the homestay program provider and would be expected to meet the responsibilities described in Section 1.

