



EC San Diego: Homestay

DESCRIPTION OF ACCOMMODATION

Each room is naturally lit and consists of a bed, drawer and closet. Some rooms have a TV and other amenities.

Each family will have their own set of rules and are encouraged to go over these rules with the student upon arrival and/or post the rules in a common area of the home.

Some hosts have washing machines and dryers available for students and some do not. If they are available, the student should ask a member of the family how to operate the machines. In general, students are expected to communicate evening plans to the family, ask permission for friends to visit, limit home telephone calls to local calls only unless an international card is purchased, keep their rooms tidy and to be very quiet when returning home very late. Some host families have curfews as well as a time limit for showers. Students are responsible for their own transportation to and from school.

MEAL DESCRIPTION

Every meal is fresh and prepared daily. A variety of food is provided each one packed with nutritional value. Host families make an effort to adjust the type of food offered to the tastes of the students and take religious beliefs into consideration when preparing meals. Vegetarians or people with food allergies should be specified upon booking.

Breakfast varies from family to family. It is usually self-service and includes bread, coffee, cereal. Hosts are encouraged to offer students whatever is typical for their home. Students who book half board will eat whatever the family eats. If the host family is dining out, the student will accompany them as a guest. Dinners are usually quite early in the states but families will inform the student of the time when they eat. Not all families will sit down and have dinner together every night. It is important that the student informs the host family beforehand should they be late or not having dinner.

Some hosts will allow students to use their kitchens to cook on their own, but this varies from family to family. Students should always ask before using the kitchen and should clean up after themselves.

DESCRIPTION OF LOCAL AREA

San Diego, with its wonderful Californian climate, relaxed outdoor way of life and great scenery offers students a unique opportunity for learning. Get to know your 'Home' by exploring some of the most beautiful beaches in California, as well as natural parks where you can hike on trails overlooking the Pacific Ocean.

TYPE OF ROOMS

Single

BOARD STATUS

Breakfast. A Half board supplement which includes dinner in addition to breakfast is available at an extra charge.

ACCOMMODATION INCLUDES

Bed linen and towels provided

AVAILABLE

Throughout the year.

Also available **Premium Homestay:**

Enroll in our Premium Homestay program and continue learning English with your host!

Features of this option are:

- At least one of the hosts is a qualified teacher
- Five one-to-one English lessons per week
- 45-60 minutes by public transport from EC
- One weekly excursion with host visiting local attractions, shopping, etc.
- Host greeting at airport and transfer (additional fee applies)

EMERGENCY NUMBER

+1 (0) 858 449 3758

ACCOMMODATION ARRIVAL AND DEPARTURE DAY

- **Arrival Day:** Saturday
- **Departure Day:** Saturday

ARRIVAL PROCEDURES FOR STUDENTS

If you have booked an airport transfer, you will be met at San Diego International Airport by a representative from our airport pick-up services.

JOURNEY TO SCHOOL

The distance from EC San Diego to Clairemont is up to 1 hour and 20 minutes, University City/UTC 45 minutes to 1 hour and 20 minutes, Pacific Beach up to 45 minutes and La Jolla up to 30 minutes. Students are advised to make use of public transport to commute to school.

Public transportation passes:

- A one month pass is \$38 for 18 year olds or younger and \$72 for adults
- Half month pass - \$38
- Day Passes - \$5
- Two-Day Pass - \$9
- Three-Day Pass - \$12
- Four-Day Pass - \$15
- One Way - \$2.25

NOTES

- All students will be given a key to their home.
- Students should ask their family how to use items in the home, such as window shades, bathroom fixtures, kitchen appliances (microwave, dishwasher) and other equipment
- Some homes may have pets. Should students be allergic or prefer not to live with a pet they should indicate this on their

HOST FAMILY LOCATIONS

About 80% of host families are in Clairemont, one of the most beautiful prestigious areas of San Diego. The rest of our host families are in the affluent seaside community of La Jolla and neighbouring Pacific Beach, home to one of San Diego's larger nightlife scenes.

