

RULES, REGULATIONS AND GUIDELINES FOR SERVICE MEMBER PARTICIPATION IN SHAFH

Welcome to Seymour Home Away From Home (SHAFH)! The decision to become part of the SHAFH team comes with reasonable expectations and responsibilities from you, the Airman. In exchange for their kindness, our Host Families request the following from you:

1. Understand the importance of the term "RSVP". If an event, activity, or your Host Family asks you to let them know if you are coming, please honor that request. An RSVP is a simple way of being courteous and mature. If you plan to attend, RSVP "Yes". If you do not plan to attend, RSVP "No".
2. If you RSVP "Yes" or "No" and you change your mind, please notify your Host Family as soon as possible. A simple text will be great. They may be preparing food for you, have bought tickets, ordered food or have made plans and NEED to know what you are planning on doing.
3. If you continue to say you will join your Host Family for something they have invited you to join in and you DO NOT show or you DO NOT text or call that you won't be coming, after three times you will be removed from the program.
4. Please do not bring a guest to an event/activity without receiving permission from your Host Family first.
5. Treat your Host's home and possessions with care. They work hard for everything in their home. Some things have monetary value, some sentimental. Regardless of the value, it is important that you are respectful of all things theirs. Some examples include not putting feet on furniture and taking your shoes off upon entering the house if they request.
6. Respect your Host's privacy. Do not go into uncommon areas (bedrooms, private bathrooms, laundry rooms, closets, garage, etc.) of the home without permission from the Host Family.
7. When in your Host's home, please respect and abide by their family rules. If you are uncertain of something, be safe and ask. It is encouraged to have this discussion with your Host early on in order to understand what the house rules are.
8. If your Host has children, please be mindful of the example you are setting. Those children are paying attention to your actions, language, moods, etc. You will be "looked up" to as a role model for these youngsters.
9. DO NOT bring a firearm or a weapon into your Host Family's home without permission.