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RE: SEEKING HOST FAMILIES FOR FRENCH FEMALE EXCHANGE STUDENT TERM 2, 2026

Dear Parents/Care Providers

The French Department is seeking host families for three female and three male French students from ELO, our sister-school association in France. As part of our ongoing relationship with ELO and Lycée Emile Duclaux in Aurillac, we are seeking host families for six students who will be placed in Year 10 or Year 11 lessons in 2026. During their visit, they hope to improve their English language skills through immersion in our academic program and we are seeking a homestay family from around 18 April to 10 June 2026 (the duration of Term 2).

As a host family you would be asked to do the following:

- a. give the student a normal family experience by involving them in your child's usual school and home activities (they would be expected to live by your family's normal rules and expectations).
- b. collect them on arrival at Brisbane airport;
- c. see them off from Brisbane airport;
- d. provide transport to and from school
- e. look out for their safety and general well-being.
- provide for all meals (including school lunches)

Grammar host families will receive money to cover the cost of transport to and from the airport, as well as an amount to cover weekly costs (approximately \$200 per week). The costs of any unforeseen expenses - medical bills, dental, excursions, etc. would be paid by the French visitor's family.

Whilst it would be advantageous for host families to have a child currently studying French, this is not a pre-requisite to hosting. However, if students currently studying French are hoping to participate in an exchange to Aurillac in 2026 or 2027 we would strongly advise families to host, as this is the best way to ensure an individual exchange is viable.

If your family is interested in hosting, you are invited to complete the application via the following link: Hosting Application 2026 by Friday 31 October 2025. We would very much like to secure hosting arrangements as soon as possible (ideally before Christmas) to allow families to book flights, so please send through any applications promptly.

For further information, contact Mrs Georgie Richardson on 5445 4444 or grichardson@scgs.gld.edu.au Many thanks once again for your support of our French exchange program as we look forward to welcoming French visitors to our Grammar community.

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