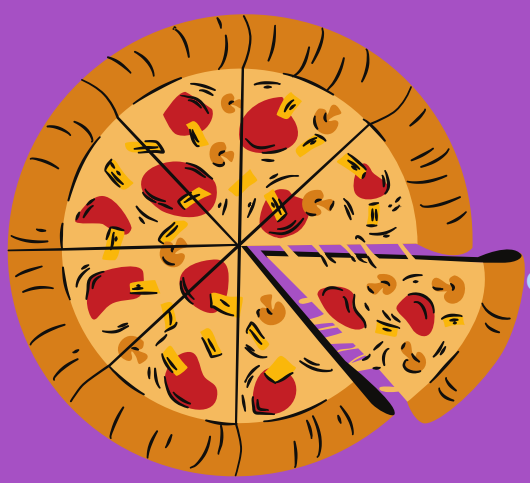
HOSTING IN THIS ECONOMY...

Let's face it—most Americans have had a tough couple of years financially. The cost of groceries and interest rates are high, and the thought of hosting can be more scary than ever!

But fear not; we assure you you can host an exchange student without breaking the bank!

WHAT ARE THE EXPENSES OF HOSTING?



THREE MEALS A DAY

You must supply your student with three meals daily. This does not entail dining out three times daily or preparing elaborate meals. These students are expected to adapt to your routine, eat the meals you provide, and cover any extra food expenses themselves.

SOME TRANSPORTATION

Another expense includes transportation to and from school and certain after-school activities. This may involve driving them, using the bus, or carpooling with a trusted and screened individual. BFF asks families to organize reasonable transportation arrangements and nothing beyond that.

WHAT DO STUDENTS PAY FOR?

Everything else!

Students have their own insurance and money to spend from their families or their designated scholarship program.

THE REALITY OF EXPENSES

A common misconception about hosting is that it requires significant expenses, such as providing constant entertainment to their student and organizing lavish trips.

However, the program is not about providing constant entertainment; it's about something much more significant. It's about allowing our students to experience the everyday American lifestyle, learn, and grow through everyday cultural assimilation. Hosting is an educational journey for both the students and the host families.

The reality of hosting is that it doesn't require lots of money; it requires lots of love!

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