



**Wisconsin
International
Academy**

Are you interested in opening your home and your heart to a student from China?

Wisconsin International Academy is a residential program for Chinese high school students preparing to study at American colleges and universities. WIA is home to 115 students from all over China who live on our campus in Wauwatosa or with the homestay families in Milwaukee area, and attend local high schools (Catholic Memorial, University Lake School, Pius XI, Martin Luther, Dominican, St. Thomas More).

We are currently looking for homestay families residing near Catholic Memorial High School, who may be interested in hosting one or two of our students in their home for a semester, a year, or longer. We offer a flexible length of stay, a monthly stipend of \$900 per student to offset expenses, and ongoing support for your family and your student through WIA staff. We are seeking families who are able to provide a safe and loving environment for our students and who have an interest in learning more about China's fascinating culture!

What sets us apart from other programs?

- All of our students who qualify for homestay are academically successful, socially well adjusted, and comfortable speaking English.
- Our program is flexible and provides long-term student support. Your student (and his/her host siblings) is welcome to come to WIA to participate in events and activities at any time. Your student is also welcome to spend the night at our dormitory when needed/desired.
- We carefully match students with homestay families based on their interests, lifestyles, and personalities. You have the opportunity to meet your student before placement to assess whether it seems like a mutually good fit.
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Being a homestay family is a life-changing experience! You offer a student an exceptional opportunity to experience American culture in a deep and meaningful way and to build a connection with your family that may last a lifetime. It is through the generosity and openness of families like yours that we are able to offer this incredible experience to our students.

If you are interested in learning more about our program or in receiving an application, please call
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