

SUMMER PROGRAMME



LINGUISTIC & CULTURAL EXCHANGE ORGANISATION

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APPLICATION FORM

Please return this form plus 2 photocopies

Summer Programmes

(Please indicate your choice of programme)

Programme A

Programme B

Programme C

(Dates)

Date of Departure: ___ / ___ / ___

Date of Return: ___ / ___ / ___

PHOTO

Surname:

Forename:

Address:

Holiday Address if Different:

Telephone (Home):

(Mobile):

(Parent/Guardian's):

Age:

Date of Birth:

Gender:

Height:

Nationality:

School:

Address:

Language Teacher:

Father's / Guardian's Name:

Occupation:

Mother's / Guardian's Name:

Occupation:

Have you participated in a VECSI Programme before: Yes No

If Yes which programme:

How many years have you been learning French:

Other languages study at School:

Can anyone else in the family speak French: Yes No

How many Languages spoken in the home:

PERSONAL DETAILS

A) Which characteristics describe you best? (Please tick ✓ only those which apply in order of importance)

Reserved Outgoing Sporty Shy

Artistic Adventurous

Other (Specify):

Prefers teenagers of his / her age Older Younger

Does he/she usually go to discos? Yes No

Is he/she usually in the habit of meeting friends outside the home? Yes No

B) Hobbies and interest (Please tick ✓ only those that apply in order of interest)

Reading Painting Swimming Cinema

Sailing Tennis Theatre Fishing

Cycling Computers Football Horseriding

Television Windsurfing Rugby Meeting People

Music Golf Dance Play instrument

B) Are there medical details we should know about? (Please tick ✓)

Diet Allergies Medical treatment

Recent Surgery Handicap Nervous disposition

Accident Others

If necessary please give details:

Is he/she allowed to smoke? Yes No

FAMILY DETAILS

How many are in the family? (Please indicate below)

Brothers

Age

Sisters

Age

Others

Age

Does your family's have pets?

What are your family's leisure interests?

ACCOMMODATION DETAILS

Do you live in a house/apartment?

Do you live in an Urban/Rural Area?

Other Relevant Details Please Indicate:

Where did you hear about VECSI?

GENERAL CONDITIONS OF BOOKING

Formulation of contract:

All bookings are made by the Parent or Legal Guardian of the Participant with VECSI Ltd.

The submission of this Booking Form duly completed and signed by the Parent or Legal Guardian together with the deposit of €500 or the total price constitute an offer which shall not be binding on VECSI until such time as it has confirmed its acceptance in writing.

The following conditions shall govern any Contract with VECSI Ltd.

The person signing the booking form and student identification form as Parent or Legal Guardian hereby unconditionally guarantees VECSI that he or she is the Parent or Legal Guardian of the Participant, and that he or she has legal custody of the Participant and gives his or her authority for the participant to take part in the VECSI programme.

The Parent or Legal Guardian hereby agrees that:

- (a) The family with whom the Participant is staying, herein after referred to as the "Host Family" has authority and control over the Participant;
- (b) In the case of emergency VECSI Ltd. or its representative or French partners have full authority to take such actions as it may think fit at the expense of the Parent or Legal Guardian as the case may be.

- (c) No alterations may be made to these Conditions of booking except by VECSI Ltd. in writing and no other Terms and Conditions may be incorporated into these Conditions of Booking.
- (d) VECSI Ltd. reserves the right at any time to change in its absolute discretion the location of the Exchange/Homestay/Language Programme or travel arrangements of any booking made, if circumstances change from the time of booking to the time of departure.

The Parent or Legal Guardian hereby agrees with VECSI Ltd. that it will immediately reimburse any family with whom the Participant may have stayed during the Home Stay Programme, any debts incurred by the Participant to any person whomsoever and any damage caused by the Participant to whomsoever.

This agreement as well as the conditions of booking shall be subject to and construed in accordance with Irish Law. In the event of any discrepancy in the meaning between any version of these conditions in any language other than English, the English version is to prevail.

The Legal Guardian or Parent hereby submits to the Jurisdiction of the Irish Courts.

TERMS OF PAYMENT

A deposit of €500 shall be paid on submission of this Booking Form which will be non-refundable.

VECSI Ltd. has the right to cancel the booking at any time prior to departure by notice in writing to the Parent or Legal Guardian of the Participant. In such event VECSI Ltd. will refund all money paid to it by the parent or Legal Guardian, but VECSI Ltd. accepts no other liability whatsoever in the event of such cancellation.

All anticipated costs, charges and fuel prices rises have been incorporated in the prices shown in the brochure, however VECSI Ltd. reserves the right to pass on fuel surcharges, and other cost increases imposed by a government or governments agency or any other third party included without prejudice to the generality of the foregoing increases in airport taxes, security charges, and impositions of any other new tax such as value added tax in either Ireland or France. Any such increase will be shown in the final invoice.

VECSI Ltd. undertakes to exercise all reasonable care and diligence in carrying out its part of the arrangements of the Exchange/Paying Guest/Language programme. Likewise VECSI Ltd. has taken all reasonable care to ensure that the information in brochures sent out by them is correct at the time of going to press. The information supplied therein is provided in good faith but as any of the facilities available for a particular Programme may after the printing of any brochure be altered or withdrawn by reason of circumstances beyond the control of VECSI Ltd. no representation is to be implied as to the accuracy of the information.

In no event shall the liability of VECSI Ltd. to any Participant, Parent or Legal Guardian for any loss, damage or injury, however incurred, sustained or suffered, exceed the total price paid for the relevant Home Stay Programme.

Price Includes the following:

Full board/accommodation with French host family, 30 hours of French language course (programmes A&B), insurance while in France, administration costs and membership of VECSI Ltd.

STUDENT AGREEMENT

- » I fully agree to undertake the Homestay with the host family proposed by the VECSI.
- » I understand that I must adapt to French family life and respect their customs and culture.
- » I agree that I am undertaking this Vecsi Programme for the purpose of improving my oral and aural skills in the French language
- » I agree to respect and comply with the decisions made by VECSI, French Supervisors and Host Family.

Signature of Student:

Date

PARENTS CONSENT FORM

- » I understand that the principal role of VECSI is to organise French Courses and introduce French and Irish families to each other, in good faith, for the purpose of mutual linguistic and cultural benefit.
- » I agree that my child will participate in the Homestay Programme, provided by VECSI.
- » I agree that, if for any reason, my child is not ready and able to leave at the designated time of departure, to pay all costs incurred as a result of such liability.
- » I certify that my child is in good state of health and is not suffering from, and has not been in contact with any infectious diseases, and that the same will be true on departure.
- » I understand that when staying with the French host family, good manners and decency common to all countries must be respected by the applicant and a genuine effort must be made to participate in the French culture and way of life. **Failure to do so will result in immediate return at the parent's or legal guardian's expense. I certify that all information provided by me on this form is true and accurate.**
- » **If the information provided is subsequently proven to be incorrect, VECSI cannot be held responsible.**

Signature of parent/guardian

Date

MEDICAL AUTHORISATION OF PARENTS / OR LEGAL GUARDIAN

I/We _____ parents of legal guardians
of _____ hereby give permission for the administration of any medical treatment or anaesthetic necessary.

I/We _____ have read and accept without reservation the "General Conditions of Booking" by VECSI.

Signature of parent:

Date:

N.B.

- » Host families are arranged by our partners in France. You will receive details of your host family during the month June.
- » Our student orientation day will take place in June (See details in our current brochure).
- » **As a preparation for your stay in France all students are advised to attend the orientation day.**
- » Participants must have, on departure a valid passport and European Health Insurance Card. This can be obtained from your local health board.
- » To be completed and accepted, your file must include:
2 Passport Photographs | A deposit of €500 non refundable (balance due on or before 1st June)
All prices quoted include VECSI membership.