



## CFP Middle East Conditions of Participation

This is Part 4 of the application where we ask the parent(s)/guardian(s) and the teens to sign that they agree to all the rules/conditions of participation of the program. This copy is a helpful reminder of the rules and what you signed and agreed with when you handed in the application form.

*I/we and our teen understand that we are a representative of our country and of the Creating Friendships for Peace Program. As a result, we understand that by participating in this program, we agree to hold ourselves to high ethical standards as it is an honor to be able to participate in CFP.*

CFP is about inclusion and diversity. We do not discriminate against our teens or host families based on race, marital status, age, gender, sexual orientation, national origin, religion, or disability.

Mother/ Guardian initials	Father/ Guardian initials	Teenager Initials	<u>CONDITIONS OF PARTICIPATION</u>
			We understand that “No Smoking” laws are strictly enforced in the United States. Smoking is not permitted at CFP events in our home country or while the teenagers are in the United States.
			<p>My teen and I understand that, while in my home country and the United States, he/she agrees to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Observe and respect Program rules;</li> <li>● Observe all home country and United States laws, including those related to the drinking and smoking age;</li> <li>● Engage in no behavior that would bring the Program into disrepute; and</li> <li>● Treat the program and associated people with respect.</li> </ul> <p>Failure to comply with any of these may result in the participant being immediately sent home at their family’s expense. Other consequences, depending on the severity of misbehavior, may follow, including but not limited to not being allowed to participate in the graduation ceremony and awarded the CFP graduation certificate.</p>
			The teenager will be matched with another young person of the same gender, but of a different community. The purpose of this Program is for them to get to know and understand each other within a neutral environment. They will share a bedroom while in the host family home and will hopefully build a lasting friendship. Parents/guardians should encourage the two young people who have been matched to have as much contact as possible (including a visit to each other’s home, if possible) before their departure date.
			While my teen is a participant in the program, we agree and understand as parents and teens that half of the meetings may be held part in one community and part in the other. Acceptance to the program means your teen must be willing to be in each community in order to attend all meetings.
			Early and ongoing contact between families of the paired participants is important for the Program’s success. Parents/guardians as well as participants must be willing to develop a meaningful relationship.

			Due to the bi-communal nature of the CFP Program, it is expected that during the teens' entire participation in their home country and/or the US, English will be the language spoken at all times.
			All participants must attend follow-up activities, including active participation in an alumni program after they return home. The Coordinators will provide information on this at a later time.
			The teenager must be mentally, emotionally and physically capable of handling a four-week absence from home.
			We understand that the teenagers are not permitted to possess more than \$300.00 in U.S. Currency cash and that they are not allowed to bring any credit/debit/gift cards with them to the United States. It may be necessary to have an additional \$70 in US Currency for luggage fees charged by airlines, but you will be notified in advance of this need. Should it be discovered a teen has exceeded that above allowed amount, the funds will be held by the host family until returning home and this includes discovery of any credit/debit or gift cards.
			It is required that the parents/guardians and the teenager attend the Graduation Ceremony (date and location to be provided at a later time). Failure to attend may result in the teen not being awarded his/her CFP Graduation Certificate. (Teens are required to attend rehearsals.)
			Teenagers and parents/guardians are required to read the CFP document "Teen Family Handbook" and agree to abide by all program rules contained therein.
			We understand that the teenager is being permitted to bring a mobile phone. CFP has a cell phone use policy that is attached as Exhibit A to this document. By signing this document, you are stating, as teen and parent, that you have fully read, understand and agree to the guidelines for cell phone use. We have this policy in place to assure the experience is as meaningful and impactful for the teens as it is for the host families. Should violations occur and depending on the severity of misbehavior, consequences may follow, including but not limited to not awarding the CFP graduation certificate. Please review Exhibit A that is the full Cell Phone Policy.
			We understand that the teenager is not permitted to use the internet in general and particularly Facebook, other social media and email during her/his stay in the US.
			We understand that host families are not offering a vacation to teens. The teenager is expected to adjust to the hosts' routines and rules and act as members of the household. In some cases, this may involve household chores or participating in family activities.
			We understand that the contribution to the program is <b>\$600 USD</b> . Families who are willing to contribute an additional amount will help the program in covering its considerable expenses.
			We give CFP permission to contact schools and/or others for references on the teenager.
			We agree to pay for all expenses associated with the return of our teenager if he or she is sent home by the CFP Executive Director for any reason, other than a health or medical emergency. If parents/guardians or teenager insist on being returned home due to a non-emergent medical

			condition other than a medical emergency, such travel will be at the parents'/guardians' expense.
			To comply with USA drinking age limits (21 and older) teens are not allowed to pack any alcoholic beverages even if to be given as gifts to host families.
			The Program insures the teenager for medical and dental coverage. However, the insurance does not cover any preexisting medical/dental problem or injuries received while participating in hazardous sports listed by our insurance carrier. THESE EXCLUSIONS APPLY IN ALL CASES.
			I/We the Parents/Guardians and the teenager understand the purpose of the Program and we agree to the teenager's spending four weeks in the United States with a partner of a different community.

By signing this application, we confirm and agree to the following:

- All information above is correct, to the best of our knowledge.
- We understand that 50% of the program fee is due upon his/her selection and the remaining 50% is due within 10 days post pairing. Should there be a family emergency or teen illness that prevents he/she from participating in the program CFP may consider refunding up to 50% of the final payment.
- We have read, understand, and agree to all the foregoing information.
- We absolve and hold harmless CFP Inc., its volunteers, officers, directors, host families, and any support families of any liability associated with the participation of our child in the program.
- Once completed, this form may be shared with others in the program.

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Teen name: printed

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Parent name: printed

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Teen signature:

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Parent signature:

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Date:

**Parent or Parents/Guardian(s) are to deliver signed copies of this document and the completed Medical Insurance Coverage Form to any of the CFP Coordinators no later than 24 December 2022.**

**Family Medical Insurance Coverage for Teen**

<b>Insurance Carrier:</b>	
<b>Insurance Carrier Claims Phone Number:</b>	
<b>Policy Number:</b>	
<b>Policy Effective Dates:</b>	
<b>Name of Insured:</b>	
<b>Name of Responsible Party:</b>	
<b>Is this insurance valid in the United States?</b>	<input type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> No
<b>Is your insurance required to be the Primary Carrier?</b>	<input type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> No

## **Appendix A CFP CELL PHONE POLICY**

### **INTRODUCTION**

CFP, as do other organizations like us, place unusual boundaries around cell phone use when bringing teens together from opposing sides of a conflict. This is in place to create a safe environment with limited distractions. By 'disconnecting,' we believe that we can offer an enriched-life-changing experience for young leaders by encouraging teens to engage distraction-free with one another, thereby allowing for "deeper connection" and bonding.

We also understand how it is essential for young people and their families to remain in regular contact.

Teens will contact their parents when they arrive at their American host family's home and will have weekly access to their phones.

### **FLIGHT DAYS – INBOUND TO THE USA:**

A chaperone will be present with the teens at all times.

Once teens and chaperone(s) have gone through security and are at the gate, the chaperone will collect all cell phones.

During travel, CFP Chaperones are in constant communication with our CFP Transportation Coordinator, notifying when all teens have cleared airport security, when they are checked into their flights, when they have boarded the plane and when they land.

This information, as well as any issue arising from delayed or rerouted flights, will be communicated via group text or email by the CFP Transportation Coordinator to CFP's In-Country Coordinators and US Area Coordinators so that the teens' whereabouts are always known. The In-Country Coordinators will inform the teens' parents directly. The US Area Coordinators will inform the US host families. CFP takes seriously its responsibility to keep the parents and the host families informed of all travel stages and information.

Upon landing, and after teens have cleared through Immigration and Customs, the chaperone will give the phones and chargers to the host parent(s) for safekeeping. Upon arrival at the host family home, the teens will receive their phones from the host families to call their parents to assure them of a safe arrival. After the call, the host families will again take the phones for safekeeping.

You will receive a more detailed email about transportation-day guidelines closer to departure as well as at your pre-departure meeting.

## **HOMESTAY WITH AMERICAN FAMILY**

### **Use Of Phones:**

Throughout the teens' stay, host parents will remain in possession of cell phones and ensure their safekeeping.

Phones will be available for use under the following circumstances

- To contact your Family only one time a week. This is not to be broken up into smaller phone calls throughout the week.
- To use the phone on outings for picture taking purposes only.
- Phones are not to be used during any workshops or projects.
- Phones are not to be connected to wifi/internet at any time.
- Per our agreement, teens will be able to contact their families once they arrive at their host family's home.

Weekly hour-long calls with families are permitted and encouraged. While these calls are private, many teens often allow host families to greet their parents during the call for goodwill purposes and some teen parents enjoy sharing information about their teen with the host parents.

### **CFP SAFETY MEASURES**

Please be assured that while the teens are in the US, all CFP leadership, CFP Area Coordinators, and CFP hosts are in cell phone range. At no time will teens be unsupervised and allowed to wander off alone or be on any public transport alone.

Also, we want you to know that all teens will each be asked to carry a card that lists the contact info of their hosts, their local CFP leadership, including a male and female contact, and the executive director's contact.

You can reach us 24/7. In the unlikely event of illness or injury or family emergency, there are no barriers for us to contact each other. In the event of a family emergency you should reach out immediately to your in country coordinator and USA leadership will be contacted immediately regardless of time of day. The same is true if there is an issue with a teen while in the USA. The natural parent will be contacted immediately.

CFP purchases insurance for medical treatment if any teen becomes ill or injured. Should any teen require medical treatment, their host will notify the CFP Area Coordinator, who will contact you immediately.

The safety and well-being of all teens are always our priority.

## **FLIGHT DAYS – OUTBOUND TO HOME COUNTRY:**

As with their inbound flights, a CFP chaperone will be accompanying teens at all times.

Host families will return fully-charged cell phones to teens on the day of their departure. CFP Chaperones will next collect them after all have gone through security and before their flights. It will not be necessary for any teen to make a call once through security. All the same procedures apply during the return flight as the inbound one.

## **CONCLUSION**

It is our honor and privilege to be able to create this program for a member of your family. We have seen over many decades how teens with curiosity grow into leaders, changemakers, and citizens committed to the next generation of peace.

We firmly believe it all starts when we meet face to face without any barriers.