

Dear host family,

Hello everyone! It is with great excitement for me to write this letter. Thank you very much for considering hosting me during my study in America. I'm looking forward to being a member of your family.

My English name is Emma. Now I am 14 years old. I live with my parents and grandma. I have a happy life, because all my family is kind to others and we love each other. We care about news and current events, usually we like discussing them at dinner. We also have some family activities on weekends, such as playing badminton, hiking, and traveling.

My family and many of my friends consider that I am a happy girl, I always smile and my smiles are infectious. Even one of my classmates recorded my laughter as a cell phone ringtone. I like smiling because I think smiling can bring me power that helps me go through problems. I am the one who can make my friends laugh. My friends and my family also think I am outgoing and full of character. When I meet a new thing, I would like to have a try. Trying new things makes me feel challenged, which helps me grow. For example, I'll never give up until I work out my math problem. I also tried taking part in my school's volleyball club and robot club.

I am a student in grade 9. I like going to school because I can meet my friends every day. I love my teachers very much - they are not only our teachers, but also our friends who regularly communicate and play with us. I am a person who likes to share in my school community. I like sharing my opinion on the internet and discussing with others. I also like sharing my happiness. When I am successful or make progress on something, I will share it with my friends. I am also willing to help others. When my teachers ask us to bring something to school, I often bring more than enough to help my classmates who forgot to bring it. I organized some party activities and I am also very happy to participate in group activities. I enjoy my school life very much. I am sure that I will meet a lot of American friends in my new school and your community.

In spare time, I love sports. I like playing badminton, playing basketball, swimming, going hiking. Sometimes, I also like reading and watching TV. At home, I not only do my own things by myself such as washing clothes and tidying my room, but also help with some housework such as sweeping the floor and taking out the trash. In addition, I can also cook some simple Chinese food and share it with my family on the weekend. If I have a chance to live with your family, I am willing to help out around the house and share my cooking with you. I like animals very much. I would love to help feed the dog if you have one. When I go to my uncle's home, I play with his dog which is named Orange. I like it so much that I spend almost all of my time there playing with it. I like chemistry and chemical experiments, it is a wonderful world. Maybe in the future I want to be a chemist.

I like sunny days. I know the weather in Texas is similar to my home city, and there is cowboy culture and country music in Texas. I would like to see someday when I get there. My city is a beautiful city near Hong Kong. It is also one of the fastest developing cities in

China. If you and your family would like to travel to Shenzhen someday, I am very happy to be your guide.

Finally, I would like to thank you for considering offering me a chance to live with you and your family. I'm looking forward to meeting you soon.

Sincerely

Emma