



# BOARDING PROGRAM



*...directions for life*

## Welcome

Welcome to the Boarding Program at Navigator College.

Navigator College's Boarding Program caters for regional students who are studying at Navigator College. Our Boarding Program involves students families and their homes have been carefully assessed by our specialised an appropriate and safe environment will be provided.

This program aims to create a home away from home with an atmosphere also important to recognise that it is a partnership between the College, the family. Navigator College and the host family share the responsibility of not but also providing a supportive, secure and family friendly atmosphere.

During the period of boarding, the Co-ordinator closely monitors the the student and family are well-suited and compatible. A well-supervised all concerned and in the past students have had wonderful experiences lives of local families.

Navigator College welcomes you to this program and trusts that as we partner in education, we continue to support students as they study is an environment away from home.

## Hosting a Boarder

The responsibility of a host family is to ensure the wellbeing of the host student's emotional, intellectual and physical needs.

When you volunteer to host a student, you are encouraged to:

- Welcome them as a member of your family
- Help your student adapt to your family, life and culture
- Provide a safe home environment including a bed, a place to study and three meals a day.
- Attend College orientation events, read the preparation materials and maintain regular contact with Navigator College.
- Understand school policies and expect your student to adhere to those policies.
- Familiarise your student with your community and its resources.

All that is required to host a Boarding student is the ability and desire to open your home and heart to a new family member. Boarding families that are successful in hosting a student are people who show a duty of care and:

- Have a friendly personality
- Are flexible
- Are good communicators
- Have acceptable moral and social values
- Have some experience dealing with young people
- Can provide a stable environment
- Have a balance in their judgement between the need for income and the welfare of a student
- Can provide clean and tidy accommodation
- Can ensure that in the event of illness the student receives medical attention

Navigator College requires all adults living in the home (18 years and older) must show evidence of a current **Working with Children Check**. The College is able to assist in the application for a Working with Children Check. Host families will be required to sign a written statement indicating that they have read and acknowledge Navigator College's **Child Safe Policy** and **Child Code of Conduct**.

## Application Process

Families that would like to utilise the Boarding Program are invited to apply using the relevant forms by contacting the front office (Boarding Student Application Form for students and the Boarding Host Family Application Form for hosts). From there Navigator College seeks to ensure students are matched with a suitable host.

## Boarding Payments and Expenses

Currently the guidelines for fees are:

- \$367.50 7 days a week.
- \$262.50 5 days a week
- \$210.00 4 days a week

The amounts are generally payable only during term time (39 weeks) however can be amended with the final figure to be worked out between the Boarding family and the student's family.

Boarding parents will provide at no extra cost:

- All meals – Breakfast, lunch, dinner and snacks (within reason) for each day of the Boarding arrangement (i.e. either week-days or including weekends)
- All laundry and ironing
- Bed, linen, desk, chair and lamp.
- Toilet paper is to be provided but other personal toiletries are the responsibility of the student (shampoo, deodorant, tissues etc)
- Electricity and heating (please note that if a heater is left on all night the Boarding parent may ask for extra for electricity)
- Where possible students will have their own room at the Boarding venue, however this is negotiable with Navigator College and the student's family.

Whilst the Boarding family is required to provide three meals per day, this is not necessarily three cooked meals. Breakfast and lunch can be self-serve.



living away from their families while staying with a local host family. These staff at Navigator College to ensure that

of mutual respect and tolerance. It is Boarder, their parents and the host only meeting the students living needs,

arrangement in order to ascertain that program ensures a trouble free one for being welcomed into the homes and

Upon initial acceptance of a Boarding position by Navigator College, the first two weeks' payment in advance for accommodation is to be paid by the student's family directly to the Boarding family and every four weeks thereafter (unless otherwise agreed between the families). Payments to the Boarding family are to be on time and the Boarding family will issue a receipt. Accommodation fees do not attract GST. Where the Boarding arrangement is continuing from the previous year, the existing payment arrangements will continue from the first payment in the New Year.

Four (4) weeks' notice is required prior to moving from a Boarding.

All Boarding families are encouraged to seek advice from their accountant prior to accepting a Boarding student

# *Our Mission and Vision*

... Serving the People of the Eyre Peninsula

## Inspire Flourish Care

Striving to be a Christian community where individuals are *inspired* as learners, *flourish* as people and *care* for the world around them.

Navigator College therefore aims to be a place where young people:

- feel a sense of belonging to an inclusive and compassionate, Christian community
- develop a love of learning and are encouraged to find and follow their passions
  - are immersed in a culture of innovation
- are encouraged to examine and explore their spirituality in a safe, caring environment
- develop an awareness of and take active responsibility for the world around them
  - are encouraged to develop a heart for others
  - are taught to value and preserve our diverse heritage



## *Boarding Support Team*

Principal – Mr Stephen Jude  
Boarding Co-ordinator - Mrs Lisa Heidenreich  
Business Manager – Mrs Liz Smith  
College Registrar - Mrs Cindy Hoskison  
Navigator Bus Co-ordinator – Mrs Dianne Moseby  
Head of Senior School – Mr Jamie Fewster  
Head of Middle School – Mr Andrew Jericho  
Head of Junior School – Mrs Alison Barclay