



**EYNESBURY**  
SENIOR COLLEGE

## HOMESTAY, BOARDING AND LIVING AWAY FROM HOME INFORMATION



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### **Where are you from and how have you found the move to Eynesbury?**

I am from a fifth generation family farm in Booleroo Centre. It's a small town in the Flinders Ranges, about 3 hours from Adelaide.

Moving to a new school is daunting. I was leaving behind everything I knew: family, friends and the house I grew up in. It was scary, but it's been amazing and definitely worth it.

My new friends and teachers have changed the way I look at life. I have discovered a new side of schooling.

### **How is it different to your previous schooling experience?**

Growing up in the country, you have lots of opportunities to roam free and get in-depth experience and knowledge of agriculture.

I attended a country school from Reception and moved to Eynesbury Senior College at the start of Year 11.

Making the move is one of the best things I have done. It's been incredible. I love the university style, the wide range of subjects and the freedom to discover what it's like in a city environment, with the College located in the heart of the CBD.

The city location, right on Victoria Square, makes it really easy to get to school with public transport. It is also great for having lunch with friends in the Central Market, having coffee in lots of different cafes and you can even go shopping if you have enough time.

### **How does your family feel about you studying in the city?**

My mum is very proud. She would have loved the opportunity to study at Eynesbury.

My brother will move to Eynesbury too in Year 10 or 11. He is always talking about it and is very excited.

### **Tell us about the culture at Eynesbury.**

Eynesbury is very inclusive. You call your teacher by their first name, and there is a mutual respect beyond what I have experienced before. They really care about you reaching your goals and because there are no extra-curricular activities, that extra time means you can see them one-to-one for help.

The timetabling is flexible, which is particularly good for country students. Eynesbury have been accommodating and they really try and make the timetable work for everyone. This year, I requested to have the last lesson off on Fridays so I could catch the earlier bus home and get more of a weekend. I usually go home every two to three weeks, depending on whether my family are busy or what homework I have to do.

### **What subjects are you studying and what do you want to do after school?**

Eynesbury has so many subjects it was hard to choose. My subjects are humanities and business based. I want to be a hotel manager and travel the world. I love hospitality, people and travelling.

# ACCOMMODATION INFORMATION

## HOMESTAY

Homestay accommodation provides students the opportunity to live with a local family. All Eynesbury approved homestay hosts have met selected criteria and come from a diverse range of cultures, backgrounds and family structures. Eynesbury ensures that students are placed with a homestay that will best suit their personality and needs. Our homestay hosts can provide either full board or part board homestay.

Part board homestay accommodation offers each student a room and shared use of the kitchen and bathroom facilities. Students are able to provide their own food and cook for themselves.

In a homestay students can expect:

- a warm, caring family environment
- a bedroom with a bed, a wardrobe and a desk for studying
- use of bathroom, kitchen and laundry facilities
- towels, pillows, bed linen and blankets
- nutritious meals
- guidance, support, encouragement and assistance planning social activities and adapting to life in the city.
- public transport information and assistance
- negotiated usage of telephone and internet

A minimum stay in homestay is 5 or 10 weeks depending on the age of the student.

## STUDENT APARTMENT - URBANEST

Urbanest provides independent student accommodation and is a short 10 minute walk to Eynesbury.

Urbanest provides hassle-free living within a safe and secure inner city location. Opened in 2011, this residence has state of the art security and 24 hour reception.

There are studio apartments or apartments with 4 or 6 bedrooms and each bedroom has its own ensuite.

A Standard Inclusive Package includes 5GB internet per month including internet connection, all bills, fully furnished apartment and contents insurance.

A Premium Inclusive Package includes 40GB wireless internet per month including internet connection, all bills, fully furnished, iPod dock, TV, kettle, toaster, linen pack, kitchen pack and contents insurance.

## HOMEAWAY

Eynesbury Homeaway aims to provide a 'home away from home' for country and international students just 3 kilometres from the city centre of Adelaide.

Homeaway is secure, safe and comfortable and offers fully catered accommodation with meals and a weekly room clean (optional).

Homeaway provides:

- an environment conducive to study and academic success
- guidance necessary for emotional, social and physical development
- assistance with everyday living activities such as banking, travel, transport and medical requirements

# COMMON Q & As

## HOW DO I GET TO THE COLLEGE?

Most local students commute between 20 - 40 minutes to school. Students use travel time to review study notes, relax or email teachers.

Our homestay hosts are located at similar distances away from the College. Most buses, trains and trams depart every 15-30 minutes daily. Bus, train and tram timetables are available online. Speak with the Accommodation Officer for specific information regarding routes.

Students living at Urbanest simply walk to Eynesbury and students at Homeaway catch the bus or tram which takes approximately 15 minutes.

## WHAT ARE THE COSTS?

OPTION	COST/WEEK	MEALS	FACILITIES
HOMESTAY	Full Board \$260	All meals except lunch on school days	Own room with access to all common areas.
Student Residence HOMEAWAY (Fully Supervised)	\$300 - \$320	All meals included	Own room, access to common areas, and laundry facilities.
Student Apartment URBANEST	\$300 - \$400	No meals	Own room with ensuite bathroom and shared common areas.

## CAN I STAY WITH FAMILY INSTEAD?

Yes of course! This can be a good option for some students and their families.

## WHAT CAN I DO ON WEEKENDS?

The weekends provide time for study, recreational activities with friends or sport. Eynesbury boarders also have the opportunity to return home.

## WHAT SUPPORTS ARE IN PLACE?

We respect and value our students. As a small boutique College, we keep a close eye on all our students. Our key support staff operate as the Student Wellbeing, Engagement and Learning Team (SWEL). They engage with students, mentors, the Accommodation Officers and parents to provide the highest quality personalised care as needed. A counsellor is also available on campus.

## FURTHER INFORMATION

Got further questions about our Accommodation? Speak with our friendly Accommodation Officer Ann Sherwell on (08) 8216 9141.