MEET OUR HOST FAMILIES
Anne Wallace has started hosting Olympic College students since 2012. She hosted three students from Japan, South Korea, and Hong-Kong, and is now waiting for her fourth student. She started to host students because she was also an international student in India and lived in a good family. Therefore, she knows how it feels to go alone to another country to study. That’s the reason why she wants the students who live with her to spend good moments as much as possible in America. She has an advice for new host families. She said that they should send students an e-mail before their arrival date to tell them the rules of the house.

As a host mother she had a lot of challenges, but the most challenging moment was living with a student who was smoking in the house where smoking wasn’t allowed, and it was difficult for the student to follow the rule. After living with students all these years she said, “a big challenge for students is adapting to American food” and has some advices for new students who are going to live with a host family. She suggests them to be open minded, not to be shy, and also to learn how to say no to something (they don’t like).

HOMESTAY Q&A
Q: Who provides transportation for SeaTac airport?
A: It depends. We provide airport pick up only for new students who arrive on our scheduled arrival dates for each quarter. Continuing students must plan for their own transportation. We recommend Kitsap Airporter, but some students prefer to take ferry + walk + Seattle’s Link light rail or take a cab. Kitsap Airporter also offers door-to-door pick-up and delivery by an eleven passenger van if arranged in advance.

Kitsap Airporter
http://www.kitsapairporter.com/index.php/AirporterSchedules/KitsapSeaTac/
Link Light Rail in Seattle
http://www.soundtransit.org/Schedules/Link-light-rail

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Meet Our Homestay Students

Solmi has been studying at Olympic College for more than 2 years, and used to live with her grandparents. Now she has been living with her host mom for 10 months along with her housemates from China and Taiwan. About her first impression in her American home, she says, “my host mother was nice and I felt welcomed when I first moved into her home”. She also adds, “the host mom keeps privacy and I like it”. When living with her, she realized how different an American family was from her Korean family. For example, her host mother is so busy that they don’t have time to talk and they even spend days without seeing each other sometimes. She spends most of her time in her room studying. She cooks by herself and eats by herself. They don’t eat together like in Korea. Also, when she comes home, her host mom always asks her questions such as “how was your day?” or “how are you doing?”, which surprised her because in Korea no one asks how her day was when she came home.

In that house, she learned to ask people how they are doing, how their days were.

For the new homestay students, she has some advices. She says, “they should take care of themselves, be polite with the host families, and always thankful to them.” Solmi spends a lot of good moments with her host mom, but she will transfer to another college after this summer session and she is going to miss her a lot.

Global Recipe — 김치전 — from South Korea

Ingredients

- 1/2 cup chopped kimchi
- Chopped onion (optional)
- 1 cup flour
- 1 egg
- 7/10 cup water
- 3 tsp sugar
- 1 tsp red pepper paste
- 1 tsp sesame oil (optional)
- Soy sauce (as needed)
- Canola or other cooking oil

1. Mix kimchi and onion (optional) in a bowl.
2. Add flour, egg, water, sugar, red pepper paste, sesame oil, soy sauce, and mix well.
3. Heat a frying pan over medium heat and coat with thin layer of oil.
4. Pour the mixture in the pan (cook as thin as possible).
5. Bake until the Kimchi pancake is just turning into orange color over medium heat.
6. Flip and bake on other side.