

AFS Programmatic Expectations

All AFS Participants have a duty and responsibility to positively represent AFS, their host family, volunteers and serve as an ambassador for their country.

- Your actions and behaviors have an impact on how others view you and how others view students from your country as well as AFS exchange students as a whole.
- Negative behavior harms AFS's relationship with the local school as well as the community as a whole. Poor behavior directly affects whether future students will have an opportunity for an exchange experience in your area.
- Participants are expected to understand that it is okay to be confronted with cultural differences that can be challenging but should use these challenges as an opportunity to learn and grow.
- All AFS Participants are expected to demonstrate a sincere commitment to their program and show appreciation for all the opportunity they are being provided.

Please refer to "Parting Words from AFS Participants Hosted in the US" Section of the Welcome to the USA Handbook. Specifically the attachment below (pg 53).



Always remember to be thankful about each and everything that your family is doing for you, and help them whenever you can, just in the housework and things like that.

- Cecilia, Honduras

Think of yourself as an ambassador from your country. You represent your own country at all times, so take good care of your image. And AFS's good image as well.

- Ayumi, Japan

Signatures:

Participant

Liaison