

Introduction to guardianship and accommodation options in UK schooling

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Independent Boarding Schools - accommodation

During term-time

- Dormitories
- Double/Triple rooms
- Single rooms
(possibly some ensuite)
- ALL SAFE AND SECURE – school takes full responsibility in normal circumstances.

Independent Boarding Schools - holiday

What happens in the holiday periods?

What are the holiday periods?

Exeat Weekends

Half-Term Holidays

Long Holidays (Christmas, Easter, Summer)

Independent Boarding Schools - holiday

Options

- Go home to parents in home country
- Stay in UK with a relative
- Stay with a host family
- Stay in school
- A MIXTURE of all the above

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Staying with a host family

How is this arranged?

- Who finds the family?
- Transport arrangements?
- Activities during holiday periods with the host family?

A good guardianship agency will solve all the above for you.

AEGIS (the Association for the Education and Guardianship of International Students) – www.aegisuk.net

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A good guardianship agency will:

- Ensure host families are close to the school
- Ensure host families are CRB checked
- Ensure host families play an active part in the education of their student – eg attend parents evenings, receive copies of reports, discuss educational matters with the student
- Ensure host families provide activities of interest during the time that the student stays with them

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Other roles of guardianship agencies

- Helping find school uniform
- Arranging Airport Transfers
- Arranging excursions in holiday periods
- Managing pocket money in holiday periods

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Can the school act as a guardian?

YES

Some schools:

- Stay open in all holidays – providing meals/laundry/staffing
- Arrange transport from the airport to the school each term
- Arrange activities during holiday periods
- Ensure full supervision and consistency of care throughout term-time and holiday periods

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**QUESTIONS
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THANK YOU**

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