



About the Program

Nothing is better than a home cooked meal and conversation around the dinner table. Yet for many Seton Hall students, the closest you get to a home cooked meal is ordering pizza and microwaving macaroni and cheese. Luckily, the community has stepped in to fill that void and your rumbling stomachs. The Office of Community Relations invites you to join Home Away from Home, a program that matches Seton Hall students with host families in surrounding neighborhoods to share a meal and enjoyable dinnertime conversation.

How Does it Work?

You and a fellow student will be matched with a host family in the area. Every attempt will be made to match students with families who share similar intellectual, cultural, and recreational interests. The Office of Community Relations will set up the first meeting and you and your host family will plan future gatherings. Your host family will contact you prior to your planned meeting. If you require transportation, your host family may be able to pick you up from campus.

What Will My Home Away from Home Experience Be Like?

Home Away from Home dinners are meant to be an enjoyable time in a respectful and comfortable atmosphere. Families and students get the opportunity to hang out and get to know one another. The families will enjoy the program as much as you will. You and your families are encouraged to plan activities beyond just eating dinner. Furthermore, host families are encouraged to welcome students to holiday dinners if the students are in the area during the breaks. Home Away from Home offers you the opportunity to take a break from the classroom and to meet interesting people. There will always be plenty to talk about with your host family!

How do I Join?

To join, simply email communityrelations@shu.edu or call the Office of Community Relations at (973) 378-9816 with the sign-up information. You may also send the attached sign up sheet to:

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Seton Hall University
Office of Government Relations
457 Centre Street
South Orange, NJ 07079

Student Sign-Up

Name: _____

Telephone: _____

E-Mail: _____

School Address: _____

Year in School (Circle One):

Fr So Jr Sr Grad.

Area of Study: _____

Hometown: _____

Interests: _____

Allergies and/or Special Dietary Needs (Please be sure to list any religious or cultural restrictions):

Would you like to share a host family with a friend? If so, please provide the name and email:

