

Homestay

# Junior Student Information

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cultural institute  
English Language • Professional Development



Dear Student, we look forward to welcoming you to the Emerald Cultural Institute and we wish you a safe and pleasant trip to Dublin.

In this information pack you will find everything you need to know about arriving to our school and your first day.

If you have a concern you can speak with any member of the Emerald staff, who will be available to assist with any problem you may have.

## Arrival Transfer

An Emerald driver will pick you up in the arrivals hall of Dublin airport; **he/she will be holding a sign with your name on it** (\*see sample below).

When you come out into the arrivals with your luggage, **please look around to see the driver holding your name**. You will be taken to your host family.

**If you miss your flight or if your flight is significantly delayed**, please contact the Transfer Manager at: [transfers@eci.ie](mailto:transfers@eci.ie) or +353 872 804 743.

If you get lost or for any other emergency, please phone us at:

**EMERGENCY NUMBER: +353 868 112 047**



\*Sample sign

<b>EMERALD CULTURAL INSTITUTE</b>				
Sunday 24 February	TIME: 11:45	FLIGHT: LH978	T1	CITY OF ORIGIN: FRA
<b>SARA ROSSI</b>				

## What to bring

**Class materials:** You will be given teaching materials but DO bring pens, pencils and a notebook.

**Insurance:** Make sure to have some form of medical insurance with you. For information on medical centres please contact the staff in your school.

**Clothing:** Ireland has a variable but temperate climate and weather extremes are rare. You should bring some rain gear or warm clothes with you. Also, there will be sports as part of the activities so please bring suitable shoes and clothing.

**Sheets and towels:** You DON'T need to bring sheets and towels, these will be provided in your accommodation

## Your First Day

On your first day, Monday morning, your host family will bring you to school for gam.

You will have a level test so that we can place you in the correct class, and then during an orientation we will provide you with some practical information. Your lessons will always be in the same classroom.

**You will be given a student card:** this has your accommodation information on it.

**Keep this card with you at all times:** you do not need to carry your passport with you. Leave it in your room to keep it safe.

You will walk a short distance to school everyday. If you live a little further away from the school, you will be given a transport ticket and a map.

## Timetable

You will have English lessons and activities every day from Monday and Friday. Check the activities notice board or talk to your group leader every day to find out what you have on your programme.

**Please note:** There will be NO classes on the first Monday of August. On that day there will be activities organised.



## Please Remember

**Don't** carry large sums of money with you.

**Don't** carry your passport around with you. It will be sufficient to have your Emerald student card at all times.

**Don't** go out alone in the evening after your curfew time.

**When travelling to and from school** only use the main routes as identified by Emerald staff or by your host families.

**When on excursions outside of school** be sure to always stay with the group and with the activity leader.

**Don't** buy cigarettes or alcohol. It is illegal for anyone under 18.

**Do** look right before crossing the road: remember that in Ireland cars travel on the left.

**When you receive a letter from the school to inform about a weekend** or evening activity Do give it your host family right away.

**Students aged 12 or 13** must not leave the vicinity of their home in the evening and must be indoors by 9pm.

**Students aged 14 or 15** must not leave the vicinity of their home in the evening and must be indoors by 10.15pm unless there is a late activity in the school, in which case the host family will be informed in advance.

**Students aged 16 and 17** must be indoors by 11.15pm.

**Students may not stay in the host family during normal school hours unless they are ill.**

**Please respect the rules of the host family.**