

**62nd CANUSA GAMES in Flint-Greater Genesee County, Michigan**  
**Opening Ceremonies: Friday August 9, 2019 @ 1 pm at Atwood Stadium**  
**Closing Ceremonies: Sunday August 11, 2019 @ 9 am at Atwood Stadium**

**2019 CANUSA GAMES –TRIAL MODIFIED BILLETING PROGRAM**

The CANUSA Games Board of Directors has determined that a modification of the traditional billeting system is being offered to Hamilton athletes as a TRIAL PROGRAM for the 62<sup>nd</sup> CANUSA GAMES.

Deadline to register for the trial billeting program: **Tuesday July 30, 2019**

I, parent/guardian of (for athlete under 18 years of age) , \_\_\_\_\_ participating  
on the team (sport) \_\_\_\_\_ (division/age) \_\_\_\_\_

Hereby agree to abide by the following conditions in regard to the TRIAL MODIFIED BILLETING PROGRAM:

- 1) Hamilton athlete **MUST** ride team bus to the CANUSA Games in Michigan or the Hamilton athlete will **NOT** be eligible to participate in the CANUSA Games.
- 2) Hamilton athlete will be matched up with a Flint-Greater Genesee County Host Family after Opening Ceremonies and will participate in the activities of said Host Family when not competing in the CANUSA Games. Refer to information on page two of this document for more detail.
- 3) Hamilton athlete's parent **MUST** be registered in a Flint-Greater Genesee County address for the weekend of August 9-11, 2019 and must share that information with the CANUSA Games Committee.
- 4) Hamilton athlete's parent will be responsible for the transportation of said athlete to their hotel upon completion of organized activities on Friday August 9, 2019, **pick-up after 9 pm and no later than 10:45pm**, time will be determined with Host Family. Hamilton athlete's parent will be responsible for the transportation of said athlete to their sport competition on Saturday August 10, 2019.
- 5) Hamilton athlete's parent will be responsible for the transportation of said athlete to their hotel upon completion of organized activities on Saturday August 10, 2019, **pick-up after 9 pm and no later than 10:45pm**, time will be determined with Host Family. Hamilton athlete's parent will be responsible for the transportation of said athlete to the CANUSA Games Closing Ceremonies at 9 am(sharp) on Sunday August 11, 2019.
- 6) If adaptation occurs the Hamilton athlete's parent or Host Family parent **MUST** inform the CANUSA Games Headquarters promptly that the Hamilton athlete will sleep at the Host Family residence on Friday August 9 and/or Saturday August 10. Host Family will then be responsible for getting the Hamilton athlete to the sport competition on Saturday August 10 and/or to Closing Ceremonies on Sunday August 11. In no circumstance should a Flint-Greater Genesee County athlete stay with the Hamilton family.
- 7) Submission of a Bus Waiver form is mandatory, and must be submitted by Saturday, August 10<sup>th</sup> at noon, if the Hamilton athlete is not riding the bus back to Hamilton on Sunday August 11, 2019.
- 8) Hamilton athlete's parent has read and agrees with information outlined on page two of this document.

\_\_\_\_\_  
*Parent/Legal Guardian Name (Print)*

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*Parent/Legal Guardian Signature*

*Parent/Legal Guardian Cell Number:* \_\_\_\_\_

*Date:* \_\_\_\_\_

**Flint-Greater Genesee County Hotel Name & Address:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Hotel Confirmation #** \_\_\_\_\_

*PRIVACY STATEMENT: Personal information contained in this document is collected for the sole use of CANUSA Games. The CANUSA Games will not use this information for any purpose other than to carry out the functions required on your behalf.*

**Objective: To modify not eliminate, the billeting program, in order to retain the billeting tradition.**

- Majority of Hamilton athletes will continue to billet with a Host Family for the entire weekend following CANUSA's traditional format and we will continue to encourage this. However, if requested, a Hamilton athlete will be granted permission to stay with their parents at night in a Flint-Greater Genesee County area hotel, under CANUSA Games guidelines. Signed contract must be adhered to, or participation in competition will be revoked.
- The trial is our attempt to keep billeting a key part of the Games, otherwise it is just another tournament and the athletes will miss out on the "Experience the Friendship" component of what CANUSA Games is all about.
- This is new territory for us all and we appreciate everyone's patience as we try a new chapter for the CANUSA Games. Any questions or concerns please contact [canusa@hamilton.ca](mailto:canusa@hamilton.ca)

**Friday August 9, 2019:**

- **MANDATORY:** All Hamilton athletes must take the CANUSA bus to Opening Ceremonies to ensure the full team arrives together and no one is held up at the border.
- Hamilton athlete will still be matched with a Host Family/athlete for the weekend. Match up will take place after Opening Ceremonies. Hamilton athlete's family will exchange contact information with the Host Family.
- As per standard protocols, Host Families will continue to have police checks in accordance with the Flint CANUSA Games policy.
- The Host Family will take the Hamilton athlete after Opening Ceremonies to start building the friendship component which is an essential part of the Games.
- The Host Family is responsible for feeding the Hamilton athlete lunch and dinner and for transporting athletes to the Friday games and social activities.
- Hamilton athletes officially registered in the trial program will be able to stay in their parent's hotel room. The Hamilton parents are responsible for coordinating a mutually agreed time/location with the Host Family to pick-up their child and transport them back to the hotel, after the conclusion of sports schedules and organized activities; **after 9 pm and no later than 10:45pm.**
- **Non-Negotiable:** A Hamilton athlete can only stay with their parents; they CANNOT stay with another Hamilton parent/family or relatives in the hotel. In no circumstance should a host athlete stay with the Hamilton family.

**Saturday August 10, 2019:**

- Hamilton athletes who stayed with their parents on Friday night will be transported to their sport venue on Saturday morning by their parents. Hamilton parents are responsible for feeding the Hamilton athlete breakfast.
- After the Saturday sport competitions, the Hamilton athlete will go with their Host Family to participate in the host's predetermined activities (e.g. bbq's, movies, chill at home etc.).
- The Host Family is responsible for providing lunch and dinner to the Hamilton athlete.
- Hamilton athletes officially registered in the trial program will be able to stay in their parent's hotel room. The Hamilton parents are responsible for coordinating a mutually agreed time/location with the Host Family to pick-up their child and transport them back to the hotel, after the conclusion of sports schedules and organized activities; **after 9 pm and no later than 10:45pm.**
- **Possible adaptation:** If the Hamilton athlete wants to sleep at the Host Family residence on the Friday and/or Saturday night; the **CANUSA Games Headquarters at the Wingate Hotel MUST be promptly notified** by the Hamilton athlete's parent or Host Family parent. In no circumstance should a host athlete stay with the Hamilton family.

**Sunday August 11, 2019:**

- Hamilton athletes who stayed with their parents on Saturday night will be transported to Closing Ceremonies by 9am on Sunday morning by their parents.
- Hamilton athletes who stayed with their Host Families on Saturday night will be transported to Closing Ceremonies by 9am on Sunday morning by their hosts. Host Family is responsible for feeding the Hamilton athlete breakfast.
- **Closing Ceremonies start at 9am sharp; Attendance is mandatory.**
- The Hamilton athlete has the choice to go home with their parent or ride the CANUSA bus back to Hamilton. If the Hamilton athlete is going home with their parents then a Bus Release form MUST be completed and submitted to the Hamilton Committee before **noon on Saturday August 10, 2019**. CANUSA Games encourages all Hamilton athletes to have a passport and recommends parents check border crossing requirements.