Every year, the Grand Junction community opens their homes to players from around the world as part of the Rockies host family program. These families have helped hundreds of young men adjust to life as a professional baseball player by providing them with a welcoming home for the summer as they begin their journey to the big leagues. All players on the Grand Junction Rockies are either drafted or signed as a free-agent and are under contract with the Colorado Rockies. Host families are not financially compensated but will be given season tickets to come watch their player develop during their time in Grand Junction. If you are interested in hosting Rockies players for the season, please see the details below.

**Ideal Host Families:**

Committed to the entire season (June-September).

Provide free room and board in a safe and clean environment.

Players will need to have their own room and have access to a bathroom, laundry, and refrigerator. If hosting more than one player, two can share a room as long as they have their own beds.

Players are required to provide food for themselves, but a home cooked meal every now and then is always appreciated.

Assistance with transportation may be helpful for some players, but this is not required.

The host family should have their own set of house rules that the player will be required to follow but should be aware that players often arrive home late at night after games or after a road trip.

**Why do we request host families:**

Players make a very low salary. Grand Junction is typically a player’s first step to professional baseball.

Due to frequent organizational transactions, some players might be in Grand Junction for a brief amount of time and then leave on short notice.

Finding an apartment for a 3-month lease is very difficult. Players spend very few hours at home.

Host families help players adjust to life as a professional baseball player. Typically, all players are signed right out of high school or college.
Grand Junction Rockies Host Family Questionnaire

Host Family

Name: ________________________________

Address: ________________________________

Home Phone Number: ________________________________

Cell Phone Number: ________________________________

Email: ________________________________

Personal Info

Number of children living in the home: ________________________________

If yes, age: ________________________________

Any pets living in the home: ________________________________

If yes, type: ________________________________

Transportation is not required for the player as a host family, but always is appreciated, are you willing to provide transportation for the player or will they need to provide their own transportation/car pool with another player: ________________________________

Player Preferences

How many players would you like to host: ________________________________

Player preference (Signed out of high school, signed out of college, English speaking, Foreign/Spanish speaking, etc): ________________________________

We need to house players from approximately June 5th to September 15th. What is the earliest you could have your player move in: ________________________________

Please contact GJ Rockies President Joe Kubly at 970-210-1167 (cell) or 970-255-7625 (office) or Host Family Director Shannon Sneddon at 970-250-9811 (cell) with any questions or concerns.

After forms are submitted and approved, the GJ Rockies do ask to do a brief 5-minute walk-through of your home at your convenience.
HOST FAMILY STANDARDS

Greetings and Congratulations on Becoming a Colorado Rockies/Grand Junction Rockies Host Family!

As host families, you are an extension of the Colorado Rockies and the Grand Junction Rockies and we are honored and humbled for you to be sacrificing your home, time, energy, and resources to benefit our Minor League Players. Your volunteerism plays an enormous role in the development process and we would not be able to as effectively grow our players both on the field and off without it. Although our players are of high character and integrity, there is still a need to have standards in place to ensure a proper relationship between host family and player. You will find those standards below.

We thank you again for your time and service and welcome you to the Colorado Rockies and Grand Junction Rockies Family.

Sincerely,

Zach Wilson
Senior Director, Player Development

Please initial for agreement:

______ Social Media Awareness
• You are representing yourself, your family, and the Grand Junction Rockies Baseball Club
• Please respect player’s privacy and club confidentiality

______ Alcohol and Tobacco Policy
• No alcohol permitted in homes unless over the age of 21 and approved by host family
• No tobacco permitted in homes unless approved by host family

______ Relationships with Host Family Members
• Players have been informed that they are not to have intimate relationships with host family members

______ Girlfriend/Friend/Family Member Visits
• Girlfriends are not allowed to stay in home; wives and children must be approved by host family
• Any male guests in the home must be approved by the host family

______ Communication and Electronics
• Players are expected to have their own communication methods and should not use the family’s home phone
• Use of home electronics are at the discretion of the host family and should not be abused by player

______ Please Respect the Player’s Privacy, Personal Space, and Property

I have read, understood, and agreed to the Host Family Standards that are described above. Please sign and date.

Signature: ___________________________ Date: __________

Print Name: ___________________________