

Merry Christmas and Happy New Year! I was surprised that 2024 is already over and it's been more than four months since I came here. The city is covered in snow and becomes white everywhere. I experienced the first snow day this month. It is the day that school is closed because a lot of snow is falling.

The biggest thing in this month is Christmas. I have no way but to write about this in my report. Christmas is the biggest thing here. So, there were many events related to Christmas, like Christmas parties, parades, light up and spirit week. I joined a lot of Christmas parties. I had a party every day during the week of Christmas. It was busy, but it became a good opportunity to spend time with my friends and family. At the party people have dinner together and played some games, like "reindeer hoof". This is a game using two plastic cups and marshmallows. Put the cup in each hand like reindeer hooves and pick as many marshmallows as you can. It was kind of hard because marshmallows are small so I couldn't pick them up well.

Opening the presents was the most exciting time for me. The Christmas tree was surrounded by presents. Actually, my host brothers and I couldn't wait until the morning, so we started opening the presents from Christmas Eve night. I got a bunch of body and hair items, cosmetics, and stuff for the snow. The most surprising thing is my host parents planned a family trip to Las Vegas! This is the biggest gift for us. This is the place I really want to visit once so I'm so surprised and excited.



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