

AMERICAN HOST FAMILY : ** Don't forget to attach your family photo!**

WHO WILL BE LIVING AT HOME WHILE THE FAMILY IS HOSTING?

Please list name, age, gender and relationship of everyone in the household.

WHICH ADJECTIVES DESCRIBE YOUR FAMILY?

Active Athletic Outgoing Affectionate Intellectual
 Stay-at-home Quiet Religious Close-knit Academic

WHAT DOES YOUR FAMILY LIKE TO DO TOGETHER?

Does anyone in your home smoke (indoors or outdoors)? Yes No

Do you have pets (how many)? Dogs Cats Other _____

Has anyone in your family ever been accused of or convicted of a felony? _____
If yes, please attach letter of explanation.

HOST FAMILY REFERENCES :

Please list two adult references who know your family very well (adult friends or neighbors, **not relatives**). Please notify your references that we will contact them.

1) Name _____ Daytime Phone (____) _____

Relation: _____ Evening Phone (____) _____

2) Name _____ Daytime Phone (____) _____

Relation _____ Evening Phone (____) _____

DETAILS:

We would prefer: Boy Girl Either Age range preference _____

If you requested a girl, would you be willing to accept a boy if no girls are available? Y N

Student will: have own room share room with _____
****STUDENT MUST HAVE A SEPARATE BED**

Please rank your hosting date preference from 1-4 (or leave blank if date is not possible)
(Please Note: We have many more students to place in July than in August)

June 30-July 14 July 9-30 July 13-30 August 2-23

Parent's Signature _____ Date _____

Has your family hosted a student with VIE in the past? If so, when? _____



WELCOME A FRENCH STUDENT THIS SUMMER!

VISTAS IN EDUCATION

Vistas in Education was founded in 1976 by educators committed to expanding international understanding and friendship. Since that time, we have organized tours and Family Stays for American students in France, and coordinated this summer host program for French students coming to the United States. VIE's programs have become increasingly well known among French teachers and American families, all of whom have contributed to the success of this unique intercultural experience.

Additional information on the Minnesota Host Program can be found on our website at www.VistasInEducation.com.

WHEN CAN WE HOST?

You can welcome a French student for 2-3 weeks during July or August.
The dates for the Minnesota Host Program this year are:

June 30 - July 14
July 9 -30
July 13 - 30
August 2-23

We ask that each family **indicate a first, second, third and fourth choice** on the back of the Host Family Application. Only indicate dates you will be able to host and leave any others blank. Please let us know immediately if your preferences change after you have submitted your application.

HOW TO APPLY

If you are interested in sharing your home with a French teenager, please respond as soon as possible; we give priority to the early applications when matching a French student with an American student.

Complete and return the attached application form to your teacher:

or directly to VIE:

VISTAS IN EDUCATION
1422 West Lake Street, Ste. 200
Minneapolis, MN 55408
vistas@vistasineducation.com



WHO IS ELIGIBLE TO HOST?

All American families are welcome to apply for this program. It is not necessary to speak French. The students who come usually have a fair level of English. We do require that you have a teenager at home, as it makes integration into the family much easier for the French student.

Most important is:

- the true desire to have a foreign student in your home
- an openness and willingness to share
- an interest in learning about other cultures
- a warm, welcoming family environment
- a commitment to friendship and international understanding

WHO ARE THE FRENCH STUDENTS?

Participating French students are between the ages of 13 and 18. They have all studied English for varying lengths of time. They are screened by our Paris office and selected based on their demonstrated maturity, understanding, and a willingness to learn not only English, but also to learn about Americans and American culture. They will be prepared before the trip with orientation materials that cover common cultural differences.

WHAT IF WE NEED ASSISTANCE?

A French chaperone will accompany the students from France and will be available during the stay to help as needed. The VIE office in Minneapolis will be also be available at all times to help ensure a wonderful experience for all involved.

WILL OUR FRENCH STUDENT HAVE INSURANCE?

The French students have full medical and liability coverage. You will be given details and procedures before their arrival.

ORIENTATION

In June VIE will hold orientation meetings for all hosting families. You will be matched as carefully as possible with a French teenager of approximately the same age and similar interests as your son or daughter. At this meeting you will receive a letter of introduction, including photo and address, from your French student so that you will be able to correspond with the student before his/her arrival.

PLEASE ATTACH A FAMILY PHOTO TO YOUR APPLICATION!

FOR VIE USE ONLY

2017 HOST FAMILY APPLICATION

HOSTING AMERICAN PARENTS :

PARENTS' NAMES _____

HOME ADDRESS _____

_____ HOME TEL (____) _____

EMAIL (Most checked) _____
(VIE will email important information. Please check this email **daily**.)

FATHER'S OCCUPATION _____

EMAIL _____ CELL (____) _____

MOTHER'S OCCUPATION _____

EMAIL _____ CELL (____) _____

HOSTING AMERICAN STUDENT :

Name _____ Gender _____ Birth Date _____

Student Cell (____) _____ Student email _____

School _____ French Teacher _____

YOUR MAIN INTERESTS OR HOBBIES

1) _____ 2) _____ 3) _____

Favorite Music _____ Instruments You Play _____

Sports You Play _____ Artistic Activities You Do _____

WHICH ADJECTIVES DESCRIBE YOU?

Shy Energetic Outgoing Open
 Independent Mature Talkative Quiet

WHICH ACTIVITIES DO YOU PLAN TO DO WITH YOUR FRENCH STUDENT?

Swimming Horseback riding Theater / Film
 Basketball Golf Museums
 Soccer Dance (Ballet, jazz, etc.) Shopping
 Cycling / Skating Boating Cooking
 Camping Tennis Computer/Video Games

If the hosting American student will be working while the French Student is visiting, what do you expect their work schedule to be? _____

