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Student Sneak Preview



**Erik from Germany (Male, age 15)
2019-2020 Academic Year Program**

Current Grade Level: 11th grade

English Score:

Profession of Parent(s): Father: High School Teacher

Intended grade in U.S.: 12th grade

Religious Affiliation: Lutheran

Mother: High School Teacher

Favorite Sports: Rowing

Favorite Activities: Jogging, working out at the gym, hang out with friends, camping

Age as of August 15th: 15 **Willing to live with pets:** Yes

Able to live with smokers: Yes

Allergies: None

Special Dietary Restrictions: No

Student's Letter (Excerpt):

Dear host family,

My name is Erik, I'm 15 years old and I live in northern Germany with my family. This is a very special moment for me and my parents, we just learned that I have been accepted for an exchange year in the United States and I'm very excited! But let me introduce myself and my family. We live in a small town in the north of Germany in a detached house with a garden near Lake. I am currently in year nine at our local high school which is close enough to our house for me to go there by bike.

Our family, it is my mom, dad and our dog. I have an older half-brother but he moved out a long time ago and he is already finished college. Both of my parents are high school teachers. We enjoy the outdoors and love to go on camping trips during vacation. Five years ago we explored Vancouver Island in British Columbia, Canada and on a four weeks camping tour, last year I discovered the west of the USA on a camping trip with my dad.

On weekends, we try to come together as a family for sport activities, work permitting. I am a member of the local rowing club, I started rowing at the age of 10.

In my free time I enjoy meeting with my friends. We study together and we work out at her school's gym. We listen to music and share playlists, I personally like jazz. I really like being with my friends they are reliable and helpful and I'm sure they would say the same about me.

I hope to be meeting inspiring people during my exchange year. It would be wonderful to gain insight into a new way of life with my host family and at school, and I wish to contribute during my time there with them. I am used to doing regular household chores such as cleaning up the kitchen after meals and taking empty bottles to the waste disposal. I regularly walk our dog and I am responsible for my grandmother's lawn, she lives next door. Also I babysit for my neighbors.

Do you host family, please let me tell you that I really appreciate your being ready to open your house to me, I am determined to contribute my share of the year will be a positive experience for all of us. With kind regards, Erik

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