



UNITED STUDIES

Student Sneak Preview



**Maria Giulia from Italy (Female, age 16)
2019 Spring Semester Program**

Current Grade Level: 11th grade

English Score: 227

Intended grade in U.S.: 11th grade

Religious Affiliation: Catholic

Profession of Parent(s): Father: LAWYER; Mother: JUDGE

Favorite Sports: TENNIS, SWIMMING, SNOW SKIING

Favorite Activities: PHOTOGRAPHY, LISTENING TO MUSIC, SINGING, MOVIES, GETTING TO KNOW NEW PLACES

Age as of August 15th: 16

Willing to live with pets: OK

Able to live with smokers: Yes, but only if they smoke outside

Allergies: Yes, mild ALLERGIES TO HOME DUST, DOGS AND GRASS

Special Dietary Restrictions: No

What makes you unique:

Student's Letter (Excerpt):

Dear American family,

My name is Giulia and I'm so excited about taking part in this fantastic experience. Now I'm gonna tell you something about me, but of course this is just a little part. I will be glad and happy to tell you more about me once I'm there.

I am 16 years old and I'm in the third year of high school. At school, in addition to all the other subjects, I also study ancient Greek and Latin, which are both boring and interesting.

I live in a small town which is 5 miles from where I go to school, every morning by car with my father or with my neighbor. I've been studying English since I was at elementary school, and I keep doing my English certifications too because this is a language that I love.

I still can't believe that I will be away from here for six months. It's a dream that is coming true.

Now let me introduce you to my family. I have an older brother who studies law at university and I really get on with him now, he's like a confidant to me, although when we were younger we always used to argue about stupid things as all children do; my father is a lawyer and my mother is a judge, and they are the best parents I could ever have. I'm so lucky to have them and to have their support in this experience, and a lot of other things that are important to me. And last but not least, another member of the family is my dog Hope!

I am cheerful and friendly, although at the beginning I could seem shy. I like spending my time with my friends and my family. I love listening to music and playing sports like tennis, swimming or skiing. My passion for tennis started when I was 6 or 7 maybe, because I always watched my father playing, and so I started playing this amazing sport. I have a lot of friends and I love them so much because when I'm with them I feel at ease and I can be myself. At the weekend we try to do different things but there's not a wide choice. We usually go to the pizzeria or to the cinema, or we stay at home all together or simply walk around the town so that we can meet some of our other friends. Obviously in summer there are more and nicer things to do, although when we are together we always have fun.

Talking about food I can say that I'm not adventurous but sometimes I try new food. I really like fish and meat, but if I had to make a list of what I don't eat, it would be very long. This program will be an opportunity for me to broaden my horizons, not just for food, but also for culture, and to compare my way of thinking to others.

Can't wait to see you

Giulia

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