



UNITED STUDIES

Student Sneak Preview



**Maria L from Germany (Female, age 15)
2019-2020 Academic Year Program**

Current Grade Level: 9th grade

English Score: 227

Profession of Parent(s): Father: Managing Director

Intended grade in U.S.: 10th grade

Religious Affiliation: Lutheran

Mother: Housewife

Favorite Sports: Tennis, Skiing, Fitness

Favorite Activities: Playing violin, meeting friends, photography, reading

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 you host family,

I'm writing this letter to introduce myself and thank you for your willingness to be a host family. My name is Marie and I'm 15 years old. Together with my parents and my two younger sisters (13 and 8 years old) I live in a house in Germany. I love my family because we trust each other, talk, discuss, and laugh a lot and they support me in a lot of different areas like my hobbies or school. We have a good and close relationship and we spend a lot of time together. It goes without saying that I take care of my youngest sister, when my parents go out and help with some household chores like cleaning in my room.

But allow me to share some more insights about me: I am a very open minded and friendly person who loves to try new things and make new experiences even when I'm a little shy in the beginning. As well I am a very organized, goal oriented and reliable person.

In my free time I really really like to do sports. I play tennis in a junior team and I do fitness. In winter holidays I go skiing with my family. I also like swimming, snorkeling and went surfing. Furthermore I play the violin in the big school orchestra and I enjoy our concerts when everyone plays its own part, but together it sounds great. Another thing I really like to do in my free time is spending time with my friends. It would be great, if I could continue some of my hobbies, on the other hand I'm curious to try new activities and sports that are typical in the US or your region.

To the US I want to go because I heard a lot about your country in the news, from my friends and parents, who already studied and worked in the US for a while. Now I want to make my own experiences in the US. I'm interested in the way of life, the school with the spirit, the culture in the landscape of the US. I want to be part of your family life to get new inspirations for me and my future life. I'm curious how you celebrate Christmas, Thanksgiving and the Fourth of July.

Thank you for reading my letter and your willingness to host a child for the next year. I will be very happy if you would give me the chance to become a member of your family. I'm really looking forward to meet you soon and be part of your way of life in the US.

Best, Maria

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