

The Friendship Connection, Inc. **"Host Only" Application Form**  
To be filled out by students who are only hosting and not returning  
the visit in the summer!! **Please print neatly with a pen!**

**"Host Only" Application Form**

**2024 - 2025**

**You MUST attach**  
**a PHOTO here!**

\_\_\_\_\_ Last Name \_\_\_\_\_ First Name \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing address: \_\_\_\_\_ apt #: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Male \_\_\_\_ Female \_\_\_\_ Grade \_\_\_\_ Date of Birth \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_  
month / day / year

School Name (no abbreviations) \_\_\_\_\_

Parent's cell (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_ Parent's cell (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_ Student's cell: (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_

Student Email (**print neatly! No school issued emails!**) \_\_\_\_\_

Parent Email (**print neatly!**) *Important* for FC email updates! \_\_\_\_\_

**HOST TYPE: Check ONE that applies**

\_\_\_\_ First time applying for The Friendship Connection \_\_\_\_\_ Former FC participants (add partner name below)

\_\_\_\_ Former VFC participant (add partner name below)

**German partner's name whom you would like to host:** \_\_\_\_\_

Name of Parent(s) \_\_\_\_\_ Occupation(s) \_\_\_\_\_

Employer(s) \_\_\_\_\_ Business phone number (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_

First names/ages of siblings \_\_\_\_\_

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**To be filled out by the STUDENT:**

1. What subjects do you like in school? What profession or occupation are you considering?

2. Describe your favorite activities, hobbies and interests! **Give as much specific information as you can!**

3. Describe your own community and surrounding area, including sightseeing possibilities, museums, etc., which might interest a visitor.

4. Have you ever lived or traveled outside of your country? Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_ If yes, where?

5. Do you have any pets? Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_ If yes, what kind and how many? \_\_\_\_\_

# The Friendship Connection, Inc. "Host Only" Application Form

(This side is to be read and signed by a parent or guardian.)

The Friendship Connection, Inc. is a visitation program which pairs German students in the United States with students from Germany, based on gender, age, interests and hobbies. The purpose of this program is to provide a 3 week home-and-home visit between students from our two countries. Since more Germans sign up for the program than Americans, we always need additional families who would be willing to host a German student from **March 31st – April 23rd, 2025**.

**There is no charge to participate as a "Host Only" family nor is there any monetary remuneration from The Friendship Connection, Inc. The primary responsibility of the host family is to provide room and board, 3 meals a day and a congenial family atmosphere for the three weeks that the German student is visiting.** Although it is expected that the host family makes an effort to show their guest the local points of interest and to do some limited sightseeing, the main purpose of the program is to provide the German participants with a family stay and an opportunity to attend classes at the host partner's school; consequently, the daily routine of the host family does not need to be altered. **The partners may share a bedroom, however, they must have separate beds.** The German participants are instructed to bring along **at least \$400 of their own spending money for incidentals, *however*,** it is expected that the host family pay for the German partner when going out as a family to a restaurant, museum, or other smaller activities. **Higher priced activities such as Disney tickets, amusement parks or a spring break trip should be paid for by the German family and the U.S. family should alert The Friendship Connection of these plans ahead of time.** It is hoped that your participation as a "host family" will provide an enriching and broadening experience for everyone involved and that the American host partner will be encouraged to return the visit to his/her partner in the summer of 2026.

Host families will pick up their German partners at a nearby airport and return them at the end of their three week stay. Exact dates, times, and flight numbers will be given in later mailings.

**All German participants will be insured by Hanse Merkur Reiseversicherung** during their stay in the U.S. All host families will receive a copy of the policy, which covers both injury and illness.

If, for whatever reason, the visiting student's presence in your home proves disruptive or undesirable, the student will be removed from your home within 48 hours and "relocated" with a "back-up" host family. We are thinking positively, however, and are confident that the family placements will be compatible and rewarding. If you should have any questions about the program, feel free to contact us.

This "Host Only" form should be returned between now and **December 31<sup>st</sup> to Krista Winzer-Lee at:**

**The Friendship Connection, Inc., P.O. Box 1444, Hudson, Ohio, 44236**

**Or scan and email the form to: [FC.allforms@gmail.com](mailto:FC.allforms@gmail.com)**

Krista Winzer-Lee is a former German teacher, who, along with your local German teacher and accompanying teachers from Germany, will help oversee the program while the German partners are visiting.

We appreciate your willingness to provide a home for one of the German students. We hope that the friendships which develop from this experience will continue over the years.

I, (Parent or Guardian) agree to host a student from Germany from **March 31st – April 23rd, 2025**.

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Signature of Parent or Guardian

Date

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