



The Friendship Connection, Inc. “Virtual Friendship Connection” VFC 2025

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“Virtual Exchange” 2025 with the option to host/travel in 2026

- ✓ For students interested in keeping up their German skills over the summer and developing a friendship with a student from Germany without the commitment of hosting or visiting Germany this school year.
- ✓ These participants will commit to a 4 month “subscription” to “VFC Partner Projects” which will be sent to the participants at the beginning of each month...hopefully, resulting in a lasting friendship!
- ✓ These “virtual pairings” will have around one year to build a strong friendship before the actual exchange takes place in the spring and summer of 2026, if they opt to participate together.

✓ We create the student pairings exactly the same way we do for our travel exchange in order to inspire lasting friendships based on age, interests and hobbies!

✓ At the beginning of May, the participants will find out with whom they have been matched. Between **May and August (4 month subscription)** they will receive a new “VFC Partner Project” at the beginning of each month to encourage frequent correspondence and suggested topics to discuss. The projects are meant to be done together in order to learn more about each other, practice and improve on their language skills, and learn more about each other’s family life and cultures.

✓ Students in **grades 8 through 12** are eligible to participate on VFC.

✓ VFC application forms are due by **March 24th, 2025**.

✓ **Cost = \$75 for the 4 month subscription to the “Virtual Friendship Connection ”**

✓ If students decide to sign up for the “full” exchange program the *following* school year, the **\$75 paid this year will be deducted from the full program price in 2026, as long as the student signs up to exchange with their “virtual partner” from the previous school year.**

Please check out our website for more information and application forms!

Please email or call Krista Winzer-Lee with any questions!

We look forward to hearing from you!