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

2026 - 2027

You MUST attach a PHOTO here!

_____ _____
Last Name First Name

Mailing address:_____ apt #: _____

City:_____ State:_____ Zip:_____

Gender_____ Grade _____ Date of Birth ____/____/____
month / day / year

School Name (no abbreviations)_____

Parent's cell (____) ____-_____ Parent's cell (_____) _____-_____

Home Phone (____) ____-_____ Student's cell: (_____) _____-_____

Participant 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 participant (requesting new partner)
____ Former FC participant (pair together again, add German 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_____

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?_____

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(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 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 23rd – April 14th, 2027.**

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. **Students may share a bedroom but must have separate beds and the room must have a functioning door.** The German participants are instructed to bring along **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 2028.

Host families will pick up their German partners at a nearby airport and return them at the end of their three week stay. Exact 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. 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 20th** 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

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 23rd – April 14th, 2027.**

_____ _____

Signature of Parent or Guardian Date

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