

# York Twinning Association

## German Student Exchange Program

### ***Who We Are.....***

York Twinning is a 501©3 nonprofit organization that facilitates people-to-people exchanges for American and German Students.

### ***How it works....***

Every fall, a group of German students arrive in York for a well-planned, educational experience full of local culture and activities. In the summer months, a group of American Students travel to Germany for a similar trip to explore the culture of the German families who previously visited.

### ***How Can I get Involved?***

York Twinning GSE is currently looking for host families for our 2018 group of German Students. We are expecting a total of 20 students and 2 chaperones. The students will arrive on Friday, October 11, 2019 and depart on Saturday, October 26, 2019.

### ***Host Family Responsibilities...***

- Pick up the students on their arrival date and provide housing for the duration of their visit.
  - There are no specific rules to housing other than a safe environment. The students do not require their own bedroom or any “above and beyond” measures. They can be treated just like a friend that is visiting for a “sleep over.”
- Spend time enjoying your German Student and getting to know him/her during the 2 weekends the students are with us.
- Contact your local school district for approval of the 2 school day visits. Provide transportation to and from the daily drop off and pickup sites
- Provide lunch and/or lunch money based on the itinerary. (Out of pocket expense is approximately \$75.00 over the 2-week period)
- Obtain a Child Abuse Clearance (this can be done at no-cost)

### ***Benefits of Being a Host Family...***

- The opportunity for your child to apply to travel to Germany and stay with the student previously hosted.
- The opportunity to attend the activities planned for the German Students (there are costs associated with this).
- The opportunity to learn first-hand the culture of the German student(s).
- The opportunity to share our culture and local scenery with the German Students.

### ***How do we become a host family?***

Fill in the Host Family Information Sheet and return to

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