

GAPP Application
German Exchange 2017-18
Newburyport High School – Geschwister-Scholl-Gymnasium

This application is used to determine eligibility and suitability for the German American Partnership Program (GAPP) 2017 – 2018. Give some thought to the questions before you answer them. Accuracy in the first section of the application is extremely important!

Applications are due no later than Thursday, June 1, 2017. Electronic copies will not be accepted.

Part I - Essential Information

Full name: _____

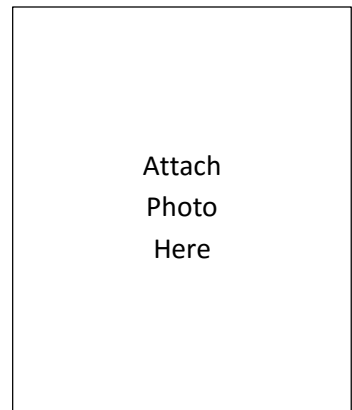
Grade: _____

Parent(s) names: _____

Address: _____

Home telephone: _____

Parent's cell: _____



Parent's email address:

Student's email address:

Names and ages of brothers and sisters:

1. Do you have any pets? Yes /No

If yes, please list:

2. Are you allergic to any house pets? Yes/No

If yes, to which ones?

3. Do you have any allergies or medical concerns that a potential host family should know about?
Yes/No

If yes, please explain:

4. Do you follow a special diet? Yes/No

If yes, please explain your dietary needs:

5. Would you mind sharing a room with your host brother or sister in Germany? Yes/No

6. Will your host have his or her own room in Newburyport? Yes/No

7. Please list any other pertinent information that your host family should be aware of.

Part II

1. Write an introduction about yourself for someone who is meeting you for the first time. Be as thorough as possible.

2. How would your family and friends describe you?

3. How would a coach/boss or a teacher/advisor describe you? Provide specific examples.

Part IV - Please answer the following questions thoughtfully and in as much detail as possible.

1. Why are you interested in taking part in the exchange between NHS and the Geschwister-Scholl-Gymnasium in Waldkirch? What are your expectations about the exchange and what do you hope to learn from this experience?

2. As a participant of this exchange you are a representative of NHS. Give concrete examples of what makes you a good representative of the high school.

3. During the exchange you will be away from home and interacting with people very different from yourself with a different set of values. How would you react if someone made the following comment, albeit inappropriate? "I don't like Americans. They always think they are better than everyone else in the world. They only eat fast food and don't know much about any other country or culture other than their own."

4. Part of the exchange is to expose NHS students to the German language. How do plan to improve your German-language skills?

5. Many Germans speak English well. What will you do if your host brother or sister and/or host family only wants to speak English with you?

6. How would you handle the following situation? Another American student on the exchange constantly complains about the trip, activities, and other people.

Part V – Meetings

We will be having several meetings before the German students arrive in Newburyport as well as several meetings before leaving for Waldkirch. Attendance at these meetings will be mandatory. A schedule of meetings will be provided. It is your responsibility to know the calendar and plan accordingly.

Will you make it a priority to attend these meetings, regardless of other obligations? Yes/No

Part VI – Signatures

I/we acknowledge that all of the information provided in this application is accurate. I/we have not withheld anything that could be of importance in selecting an exchange partner and host family or which might otherwise undermine the success of the exchange program.

Applicant Name (printed)

Applicant Signature

Date

Guardian Name (printed)

Relationship to Applicant

Guardian Signature

Date