2019-2020 GERMANY YOUTH AMBASSADOR EXCHANGE

Bryan-College Station has three sister cities around the world ready to be explored. Sister Cities provides international inbound and outbound youth exchanges to give students a competitive edge in today's global society.



Students selected for this 2019-2020 exchange:

- ➤ Live with host families gaining understanding of cultures of Greifswald, Germany (approximate 2 week exchange)
- ➤ Visit historical sites in Greifswald and surrounding area as well as a possible side trip to Berlin to visit historical WWII sites & museums
- ➤ Learn about local German culture, history and geography
- ➤ Attend school with exchange student and share Texas culture promoting Bryan-College Station to the world
- ➤ Host a return German student Ambassador for 2 week exchange and share Texas & B-CS culture and history

Application and Interview Process

To apply, complete an application online by May 1, 2019. You will then be contacted to schedule a personal interview in late April where <u>you must be accompanied by a parent or legal guardian</u>. Applicants selected as Youth Ambassadors will be notified by May 1 and must attend a pre-travel orientation Tuesday, May 7, 5:30—6:30 p.m. Location To be Determined. Attendance is mandatory.

2019-20 Greifswald, Germany Youth Exchange



and language.

Greifswald is situated in the northeastern part of the German federal state Mecklenburg-Vorpommern, close to the most beautiful water sports area between the two largest islands, Ruegen and Usedom. The old university town and

Hanseatic city offers visitors, Greifswald's inhabitants, students and scientists an inviting, creative atmosphere. Being home hosted will immerse you in the local culture

Exchange Dates

~2 week exchange
Early June 2020 – exact dates TBD
Receiving trip – German students to Texas – April 2020 (at Easter)

Sample Events

- > Visit the Baltic Sea and nearby islands
- ➤ Visit Max-Planck Institute of Plasma Physics
- > Visit Berlin and WWII historical sites
- > Visit local castles and learn about German history
- > Attend classes with German exchange student
- > Visit Greifswald Rathaus (City Hall) and learn about German government

Approx. Cost

\$2000-2400*

*Price is dependent upon airfare at the time of purchase and fundraising success by students. Fundraising activities will be part of the program and encouraged to help defray these costs.

Date and cost are approximations. Costs are also based on a minimum number of students traveling.

Costs and Deposit

Round-trip airfare, taxes, ground transportation, program fee, most meals, local excursion fees, day trips, youth hostels (where applicable), insurance and orientation materials are included. If selected, a \$350 deposit is due by May 31, 2019. Monthly payments will be made in the fall/spring with the final balance due 30 days prior to departure.

Scholarship

Limited partial scholarships, up to \$750 may be available for the youth program summer exchange of 2019. Applicants will be chosen based on financial need, an essay, academic standing, community service, teacher recommendations, resume and interview.