



# Short-Term French Student Homestay Program

**Experience Genuine Culture Exchange  
Host an Exchange Student for 4-10 Weeks  
Earn the School a Donation**

Now more than ever there is a need in our world for more cultural understanding. Hosting a student is an exciting and rewarding experience for your family. ERDT Share is looking for caring host families for these French teens.

Student	Dates	Deadline	Interests
15yo Boy	Early April for 8-10 Weeks	March 15	Cinema, Violin, Theater, Sports
15yo Girl	Mid-April to Mid-June	March 25	School
15yo Girl	May 15 to July 3	March 31	School
15yo Girl	End of May to Early July	May 10	School, Sports
15yo Boy	July 10 to August 7	June 17	Volunteering, Scouts, Tennis

## Host Family Requirements:

- Provide transportation to and from Kansas City Airport
- Willingness to accept the student as a member of the family
- Provide meals in the home
- Provide student transportation as needed
- Provide student with their own bed
- Complete online application, including background check for all family members living in the home who are 18+

Experience meaningful and life changing moments as a host family. Meet an international friend. Learn about French culture and share American culture.



## Interested in hosting?

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## Frequently Asked Questions

**How does this benefit my family?** Hosting an exchange student allows you to embody diversity and inclusion in your home. Traveling is more difficult now, so this is your opportunity to expand your family's horizons and learn about French culture without leaving town. Forming a lasting relationship with an international friend can be most rewarding.

**How does the school benefit?** The hosting school will receive a donation of \$50 per week per student adding up to \$1600+ if all five students are placed. This program opens the door to creating similar study abroad experiences for your students. Most importantly, your students will benefit from sharing cultures and personally connecting with students from across the world.

**How does this benefit the world?** Exchange programs support future empathetic world leaders who value international collaboration and appreciate different cultures and perspectives.

**Will the student speak fluent English?** Yes

**What about Covid vaccinations?** Students will be fully vaccinated and boosted. Your family does not need to be fully vaccinated, but you will be asked for your family vaccination status so that information can be provided to the student.

**What will the students do during the weekday?** If the student is visiting during the school year, they will be shadowing a student at the school. During the summer, they can volunteer in summer programs or participate in activities with their host siblings.

**Do I have to entertain the student?** No, the focus of this program is culture exchange and family interaction. The students just want to experience what life is like here and be treated as part of the family. They can join whatever activities you do on a normal basis like run errands, attend baseball practice, help with yardwork, and go grocery shopping. That being said, this is the perfect opportunity to have a family game night, throw a BBQ, spend the day at the lake, shop at the farmer's market, take a hike, swim, go to a park, and visit museums and libraries.

**What do I need to provide?** Host families are expected to provide meals for the students and transportation to and from the airport and around town while they are visiting. The students will have their own discretionary funds to use for entertainment and extra purchases.

**Do the students need their own room?** No, they can share a bedroom with a host sibling of the same gender. They do need their own bed, not a blowup mattress or cot.

**How can I find more information about this program?** Visit [ERDT Share's website](#) and contact Mindy Johnson ([mindysuejohnson@gmail.com](mailto:mindysuejohnson@gmail.com)) if you are interested in hosting.