

Foreign Exchange Program

Information about the German American Partnership Program 2020/2021



1. What is GAPP?

GAPP offers a great opportunity for American students to go to Germany and for German students to go to America

GAPP (German American Partnership Program) is supported by the US government and the German government. GAPP is a cultural exchange program. US students and German students are expected to go to school during their exchange visit for about ten days. In addition, there are all kinds of excursions. There are over 1400 GAPP schools in the USA and Germany. Braden River, Southeast and the Collegiate School of the State College of Florida are GAPP schools in Manatee County.

2. Time-frame:

German students will come to Florida for about 23 days in October 2020. They will live in the homes of their American student`s family. On average, American host students spend \$300 on an overnight trip to Orlando, the GAPP shirt, and welcome bags. They will be accompanied by two German chaperones who both teach at Max-Planck-Gymnasium in Gelsenkirchen/Germany. The American students will go to Germany for about three weeks in June 2021. They will stay in their German student`s family. The cost is approximately \$2,500, depending on airfare. They will be accompanied by the two American coordinators who teach at Southeast High School and Braden River High School.

3. House-rules

Students will be expected to follow the house rules of their families.

4. Name and address of school in Germany:

Max-Planck-Gymnasium

Goldbergstraße 91, 45894 Gelsenkirchen, Germany: <http://www.mpg-ge.de>

PLEASE COMPLETE & RETURN THE ATTACHED FORMS TO ONE OF THE SCHOOL COORDINATORS BY THE END OF MARCH.

Jaime Patmor at Braden River High School- Room 603 or Dayna Grella, school nurse
Thorsen-patmorj@manateeschools.net Grellad@manateeschools.net

Maribel Duarte at Southeast High School-Room 708
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5. Possible excursions in Germany

- * Cologne (cathedral, Roman-Germanic Museum, Chocolate Museum)
- * Dusseldorf (the “Old Town” and King’s Alley)
- * Muenster and Muensterland castle tour
- * Indoor skiing resort in Neuss
- * 5 -7 day trip to exciting destinations in Germany for example Munich or Berlin, (Austria) or other destinations in Europe

6. Possible excursions in Florida

- * Ringling Museum/Dali Museum
- * High school football Game
- * Kayak Tour in the Robinson Preserve
- * Beach party
- * Overnight trip to Orlando’s SeaWorld or Universal to visit Harry Potter World

7. Flight:

from Tampa to Duesseldorf/Amsterdam

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Permission Form
GAPP Manatee 2020/2021
(German/American Partnersip Program)

I give my son/daughter _____

permission to participate in the German American Exchange Program (GAPP) through Southeast High School, Braden River High, the State College of Florida, and Max Planck-Gymnasium Gelsenkirchen. The exchange is sponsored and supervised by the Goethe Institute in New York/State Department and the German Government .

The German students will come to Florida in October 2020 and the American students will fly to Germany for three weeks in June of 2021. The travel dates for the American students will be based on the last day of the school year 2020/2021 and the Manatee County Schools graduation dates. The American students will stay with their host partners` families in or near Gelsenkirchen and attend school there and the German students will stay locally with their American host families and attend school during their stay with their partners. The cost for hosting will be approximately \$150 (for the welcome reception, welcome BBQ, GAPP shirts, goody bags etc) and approximately an additionl \$150 if the American student wants to go to Orlando for a weekend with the German group. The trip to Orlando is NOT mandatory.

The cost for going to Germany for three weeks in 2021 will be approximately \$2,500 (plus spending money) unless airfares increase.

I/We confirm that we will host a German student in October 2020.

I/We can make the final decision about letting my/our student go to Germany up to December 2020.

Date

Parent / Guardian Signature

Date

Student Signature

What is your Current GPA _____

If you have any discipline infractions at school, please explain below:

Please ask student services or an administrator at your school to verify your GPA and disciplinary record with their signature.

School Official: _____
Print name

Signature

Date: _____

GAPP 2020/2021: Student Information Form

Student's name _____

(Last, First, Initial)

School: _____

Current Grade _____ Date of birth _____

Allergies _____

Pets _____

(important, if German student has an allergy)

Hobbies _____

Siblings (name/age) _____

Parents' names _____

Address _____

Phone (student cell) _____

e-mail (student) _____

Phone (parents cell) _____

e-mail (parents) _____