

Wisconsin Department of Public Instruction  
*Exceptional Opportunity for High School Students*  
**2019-2020**  
**Hessen-Wisconsin High School**  
**Student Exchange Program**



*Hessen, with its beautiful and historic capital Wiesbaden, is Wisconsin's sister state in Germany. It is also home to Frankfurt, a dynamic leading city of the new European Union. Hessen captivates travelers with everything from old castles to modern rock festivals—a fascinating blend of history and modernity.*



Please encourage qualified students to apply. The application deadline is **January 25, 2019**. Successful applicants will be notified by March.

### **Rich learning opportunity ~**

- **Ideal cost:** With staffing support from two state departments of education, students have a reputable program for an unusually low cost.
- **Ideal length of study:** Longer than a summer-study trip but shorter than a full-year abroad, three months provides students with an in-depth language and cultural experience.
- **A committed partner and family abroad:** This is a one-to-one exchange program in which students are hosted by the same family of the partner student who visits them in fall 2019.
- **Students from Hessen, Germany,** spend first semester, September 2019 through January 2020 (five months), in Wisconsin schools and communities.
- **Students from Wisconsin** then spend second semester, February through the end of April 2020, in Germany. That stay may be extended if all parties agree.
- **Credit and academic honors:** Wisconsin students receive academic credit as determined by school district policies, remain eligible for scholarships and college admission, and gain maturity, intercultural skills, and international life experience.
- **Students enrolled in German II or higher** (or with acceptable proficiency levels) are eligible to apply. Applicants must be at least sophomores in 2019-2020.
- **Families of Wisconsin applicants** must be willing to host a German student in their home during the fall semester. **Hosting-only opportunities** are available if U.S. students aren't able to travel. Students applying under this option are not required to be proficient in German.
- **Letters of recommendation** from the German teacher and a school administrator or guidance counselor are required.
- **Program Costs:** \$450 is the DPI program fee, plus costs of hosting a guest student, airfare for one roundtrip to Frankfurt, Germany, plus incidentals, including a monthly allowance to the Wisconsin student in Germany. **There is no program fee for hosting only.**

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(Look for: "Student Exchange Program," "Application")