Dear South Lake Middle School Advanced Spanish Class family,

We have the unique opportunity to host middle school students from Spain!

The students will be here the first week of July and stay with you for 4 weeks.

Your students would like you to keep an open mind, as you explore the possibility…please read on ☺

The company, Language & Friendship, has been organizing hosting programs in the U.S. for over 20 years. I organized a host family experience through this company with South Lake families last year and we all had a blast.

**Foreign Students that sign up for an L&F program:**

* want to be **immersed in the English language and the American culture.** This provides an excellent opportunity to improve their language skills, to make new friends, and to experience American culture from within a welcoming family environment.
* bring their own spending money and are prepared to pay for their own snacks and souvenirs.
* have insurance coverage.

**South Lake Host families:**

* want to learn about another culture
* want to share their own culture
* want to include a foreign visitor as part of their family
* Host families provide room, board (three meals daily), and warm hospitality. If your family eats out, you would also pay for the student's meals but students have spending money for snacks and meals out with their peers.

**Requirements for Hosting**

* Students must have their own bed in a non-common area (your kid may sleep on the couch, while the host student sleeps in his/her bed ☺). Students may share a bedroom with a child of the same gender, of similar age.
* All members of host family must be willing to include their visitor as a family member, with the same expectations as for the other children in the home.
* Host family make-up varies greatly - single parents, working parents, time split between two households, etc. - all can make wonderful host families. Of course, all parties will have to be in agreement of the arrangements. The South Lake family that hosted a girl from Europe last summer even took her on vacation to Canada.

Go to [www.youtube.com](http://www.youtube.com) and type in the search: L & F hosting video

or in your URL: http://youtu.be/\_qx-T6wm6ko

or read more about the company and it’s hosting program at: [www.languageandfriendship.com/hosting](http://www.languageandfriendship.com/hosting)

Please contact me if you have questions: jprouty@solake.org

gracias,

 Señora Prouty

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\_\_\_\_very interested! Where do we sign-up? \_\_\_\_somewhat interested, but have questions \_\_\_\_not this year

Your student’s name:\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_