

APPLICATION ESSAY-REPEATER

Because of continued interest in traveling to Italy, twenty spaces are now available for the 2016 November trip. All students who are applying to participate in Italian Exchange XIX must write an application essay. Only up to four (4) repeaters will be considered.

The essay contains four parts:

- 1. Describe yourself, family life, where do you live and why you wish to participate. Include a description of your home life, your interests, what you like and do not like and other information that you would like your Italian family to know about you. You will be staying with a new family.
- 2. Indicate how you think participation in this program will benefit you as a student, as an individual, and as a global citizen.
- 3. We will be visiting places such as Copenhagen in Denmark and Malmö in Sweden. Why do you wish to go there? What would you like to visit and experience in these places? Be specific.
- 4. How will you contribute to make this year's exchange better? What suggestions do you have that you can contribute to the group? Why should you be selected to go again, and what changes and suggestions for the next trip do you have? What idea(s) do you have to make the trip better for all students? What role do you see playing to help out the teacher for the 2016 trip? What are your strong areas such as writing, computer skills, drawing etc.?

This essay will be published online (private Facebook group) or sent to Italy and will be the first impression the Italian families will have of you. This essay will help to match you with a partner in Italy.

This introductory essay is to be 750 – 1000 words in length minimum. Proper spelling, grammar and punctuation are to be used. This essay must be typed and saved as txt file, MS Word or OpenOffice. Please submit one hard copy (printed out text) and one essay version in electronic form forwarded to **exchange@hampshirehigh.com**

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