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 A WORLD OF UNDERSTANDING THROUGH CROSS-CULTURAL AND EDUCATIONAL PROGRAMS

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Dear German Teacher,

I am writing on behalf of the Congress-Bundestag Youth Exchange (CBYX) program that provides full scholarships to American high school students to live and study in Germany for one academic year. We are currently accepting applicants for the 2014-2015 program year.

CBYX is a U.S. Department of State funded scholarship program awarding 250 American students annually the opportunity to live and study abroad in Germany for one academic year. This prestigious scholarship gives participants the unique opportunity to learn a foreign language, experience another culture, and gain a better global understanding all while representing the United States as Youth Ambassadors. *Please note that prior knowledge of German is not necessary in order to apply so we hope that you will share this opportunity with students throughout the language department at your school.*

As a foreign language teacher, you may have contact with the best applicants for this scholarship. We hope that you also will extend this scholarship opportunity not only to students and colleagues in your school, but in your local community as well. This scholarship will have a big impact on its participant's lives because it is an irreplaceable educational and cultural experience. *Please give your students the opportunity to participate in the program by letting them know how they can apply*.

Enclosed you will find 2 posters and brochures, and plus an ASSE general Outbound poster. Please post the posters in a highly visible area of the school, and distribute the brochures to interested students. Additional brochures are available on request through the email listed below.

Students may begin the application process by completing the online pre-application found at <u>www.USAGermanyScholarship.org</u>. Once a student files a pre-application, ASSE will follow up with more detailed instructions. Students can also visit <u>www.asse.com</u> for more information. (Note: If you have an old brochure with the full application, please do not pass that on to any interested students. Ask them to follow the online process. Ask them to follow the online registration & application that we will send the student.)

If you have any questions or need more CBYX materials, please email me at $\underline{cb@asse.com}$. Thank you very much for your help!

Best Regards. ASSE Grant Director ograms

Congress-Bundestag Youth Exchange Celebrating 25 Years of Exchange