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## Host home sought for visiting Czech student for next academic year

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A 16-year-old student from Tabor in the Czech Republic has been selected as the visiting student for academic year 2022-23. Sofie studies English, German and Italian. She is also a gymnast and a runner. Sofie says that she is "deeply interested in international relations." She submitted her biographical essay in English and passed an in-person English interview before a three-member board of English speakers in Tabor. She was chosen by the board of the Orinda/Tabor Sister City Foundation over 15 other applicants. Regulations require that visiting students be provided with their own bed, a place to study, and three meals a day. Sofie looks forward to living with an Orinda host family, preferably one with a student at Miramonte High School, where she will study.

Sofie will be the 21st student from Tabor sponsored by the sister city foundation to study for a semester in Orinda. If you might like to host Sofie, and are interested in the details of her stay, please contact Bobbie Landers (bobbielanders@yahoo.com). According to Landers, you will embark on a memorable experience! Potential hosts can also speak to previous host families about their experiences with past visiting students.

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