

LILA Global



An International Student Program at Lakes International Language Academy

TRANSFORMATIVE HIGH SCHOOL EXPERIENCE

LILA Global is a one-year international student program designed for Grade 10 students who want an academically rigorous, culturally immersive experience in the United States. Based in Forest Lake, Minnesota, this program blends academic excellence, cross-cultural learning, and U.S. college readiness in a supportive and welcoming community.

ACADEMIC EXCELLENCE

As part of Lakes International Language Academy (LILA)—an International Baccalaureate (IB) World School—students engage in a curriculum that fosters critical thinking, research skills, interdisciplinary understanding, and global citizenship. The program prepares learners for success whether they return home or pursue further education in the U.S. or abroad.



HOMESTAY IMMERSION EXPERIENCE

Students live with carefully selected and fully vetted American host families. This homestay experience provides:

- A safe, stable, and culturally rich family environment
- Daily English language immersion
- Inclusion in family life, holidays, and community activities
- Transportation support where needed

Such immersion builds language fluency and deeper cultural understanding.

COLLEGE READINESS

LILA Global includes structured guidance to help students navigate the U.S. higher education landscape, including:

- Academic advising and personalized planning
- Workshops on college admissions expectations
- Mentorship with experienced counselors
- Introduction to standardized test requirements
- Scheduled visits to major U.S. universities and colleges

This early preparation supports students in making informed decisions about future academic pathways.



LIFE IN FOREST LAKE, MINNESOTA

Forest Lake is known for being one of the safest, most family-friendly communities in the United States. Students benefit from its welcoming suburban atmosphere, access to nature and recreational spaces, and close connections to the Minneapolis–Saint Paul metropolitan area and international airport.



WHO SHOULD APPLY?

- High school students seeking a global education experience
- Learners ready to improve English language proficiency
- Those interested in preparing for U.S. higher education
- Students eager for cultural exchange and community engagement

PROGRAM INVESTMENT

- Grade 10 Tuition: \$35,000 USD
- Homestay Program: \$12,000 USD
- Total Annual Cost: \$47,000 USD



ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

- Be 15–17 years old
- Demonstrate strong academics
- Be prepared for IB-level coursework
- Show English proficiency
- Be open to homestay living
- Meet student visa requirements

DISCOVER MORE & CONNECT

Visit the Lakes International Language Academy website to learn about admissions requirements, program details, application deadlines, and community events.

www.mylila.org/lila-global

