

To Whom It May Concern:

I am the Regional Director for Forte International, a high school foreign exchange program, and I would like to say a BIG Thank You to the Jamie Wehrs family of Mosinee, WI.

They have been selected as Forte's 2012-2013 Host Family of the Year. The Wehrs family hosted Chia-Fen (Tiffany) from Taiwan. This family opened their home to Chia-Fen after her one week placement with an American welcome family. Chia-Fen was so shy and having some issues adjusting, but Ms. Wehrs stepped up and helped Chia-Fen with her English, homework and adjustment to being in a foreign country. Both Jamie and her daughter, Nina, were very patient in seeing that Chia-Fen have the type of experience that Forte wants for our students. This young lady from Taiwan grew so much since she arrived in the US and this family went above and beyond to ensure she had a great view of an American family and experience the life we so enjoy.

Without homes like the Wehrs many students do not get the opportunity to make their dream come true. Yes, it takes time for a family to host, but the rewards are many as this family can attest to. This family made a profound difference in this young lady's life. All of this was made possible by Joanne Wallace, the Local Representative for the family and Chia-Fen. Joanne's continued support of the host family and student helped make this an unforgettable time for both parties. For that, I wanted to say Thank You and let the community know what a wonderful family they have in their midst.

Why not open your heart and home to an exchange student today and make their dream come true as the Wehrs have done for Chia-Fen. Who knows, you could be the next Forte Host Family of the Year. Congratulations Jamie and Nina! You deserve this honor!!!!

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