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Meet Maans from Sweden



Service Ref: 18-00014
Gender: Male
Age (at arrival): 16 years
Program length: Year
Graduation Date: June 1, 2021
Religion: None

GPA: Good
Quartile: Q1(Top position)
ELTIS: 230

Described as outgoing, humorous and cheerful, Maans plans on a career in law. An active volunteer, he's on his town's Youth Council, recommending activities. Oxfam, an organization combating world poverty, is also a priority. Maans took a class in Thai cooking and often prepares meals for his family. A soccer player, he also plays Swedish Floorball, similar to floor hockey. Maans attends a technology school where his specialty is physics. Camping, boating and visiting grandma in Norway are common activities of his active family. He has close relationships with his twin and younger sisters.

Student Audio Introduction

To learn more about Maans in his own words, please go to [//www.youtube.com/embed//CI2HCPq7wYE](https://www.youtube.com/embed//CI2HCPq7wYE).

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Hi!

My name is Måns, I am 16 years old and I live in Sweden. At my high school, I study the technology program. My favorite subjects right now are maths, physics and English. I enjoy school and I like my class very much. I like studying together with my friends and we often meet at somebody's house or a local coffee-shop to help each other with our homework. I have a big interest in law. After my graduation my dream is to study law at the university and become a lawyer, and maybe even work in the USA.

I guess my friends and my family would describe me as a very social and outgoing person with a lot of energy. I love to spend time with friends and I love to be active and meet new people. I am a member of the Youth council, an assembly representing all the youths in our city. One of the reasons I wanted to be part of it was the lack of activities for young people. Many teenagers, including myself, feel that there isn't much to do if you are under the age of 18. In fact, a lot of people my age just sit at home without doing anything at all, and I think that's bad for them and for the society so in the Youth council we are trying to come up with ideas to make life for all youths a little bit more fun.

One of the things we arrange is a music festival the day our summer holiday begins. Last year, over 8000 youths visited this festival, which we of course are really proud of. This year, I am the festival general, which means I am the one with the most responsibility (which is both fun and scary).

I also have a big interest in sports. I have tried many different sports, but never limited myself to only one. I enjoy watching soccer a lot, and I have played for different teams when I was younger, and with friends when I got older. I have also taken an initiative to start a floorball team with my friends. We practice and play games every week.

My family consists of me, my mother and father and my two sisters Klara (my twin sister) and Lina (14 years old). Me and family has always loved travelling. We have visited a lot of places in Southeast Asia and Europe and when I was nine years old we visited Florida. I remember going to Sea world and Orlando studios, and I really enjoyed that trip. Because of the long cold winters in Sweden, we usually visit a warmer place around Christmas or the spring break. If we don't, we usually go skiing, which is another thing that I love. I have skied since I was little. My grandmother is Norwegian so we travel a lot to Norway to ski and visit family there.

I have a really good relationship with my family and my parents. I feel that I can talk to my parents about most things and if I have problems I often turn to them. I have much respect for my parents, if I do something wrong they usually try to tell me why it's wrong, instead of just punishing me. Their method of keeping me out of trouble isn't to threaten me with punishments and consequences, but instead my desire to not make them disappointed. I believe in that philosophy.

The main reason why I want to join the AFS-program is to meet new people and learn about the American society. I also hope to develop my knowledge of the English language and learn more about the American legal system which might help me in the future if I want to

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practice law there. It will also be nice to experience everyday life in another country. I hope that this year is going to be both interesting and really good fun!

Looking forward to meet you all!

Måns