



## **The Rio Grande do Sul Youth Ambassador's Program**

### *Programa de Jovens Embaixadores*

#### **How does the program work?**

- Caring Indiana families host a Brazilian teen, ages 15 to 18, like a family member.
- Host families must be committed to integrating the Brazilian student into normal family activities.
- Youth Ambassadors need to participate in school regularly or in a home school program, not for credit, but are expected to participate in classes and activities.
- Youth Ambassadors are also expected to perform some type of volunteer service; Indiana Youth Ambassador Coordinators with Partners will help with ideas.
- Family sightseeing excursions are encouraged.
- Indiana Partners provides an Indy Capital City Weekend. Other excursions may be arranged with families.

#### **What does a host family provide?**

- A single or shared room and family meals.
- Transportation to and from the airport, school, and sponsored activities.
- Inclusion in family activities and excursions.
- Facilitate volunteer activities.
- Students will bring spending money, health insurance, school transcripts and medical records.

#### **How long does the student stay?**

Eight weeks, from the first week in January to the first week in March (during Brazilian summer vacation). Specific dates change each year depending on holidays and flight availability.