

Kennedy-Lugar Youth Exchange and Study program
2019-2020



YES STUDENT PROGRAM 2019-2020

Peshawar Model Girls High School-1 has been producing graduates for decades, who can face life far beyond the classroom. In an effort to enhance their inner abilities and help them understand and experience cultural diversity by which students are encouraged to participate in Youth Exchange and Study Program (YES). Peshawar Model Girls High School-1 is an active participant of YES scholarships Program, funded by the US Department of State-Bureau of Educational and Cultural Affairs for so many years. Participants from all over Pakistan are selected after qualifying different tests and interviews.



Hamna Ikram student of Peshawar Model Girls High School, and a former Cultural Youth Ambassador of Pakistan was selected by the [YES](#) Student Program for the year (2019-2020). For her 10 months stay in the U.S, she was placed with a wonderful host family in Silver lake, Wisconsin and attended [Wilmot](#) Union High School. The host family along with the teachers and students at her school made her feel welcome and helped her had an amazing time.



Active participation in extracurricular activities helped her discover new hobbies. Exposure to different cultures and beliefs taught her qualities like, "leadership, patience, and respect for diversity and different perspective of life". IN short YES Program helped her become a better version of herself.

Hamna's Achievements

Her achievements include 89 hours of volunteer services, radio interview on exchange life, and presentation about Pakistani culture to more than 500 Americans.



Experience

She shares her experience and tells what she learnt there.

"I have learnt that despite of what our differences are, we all are humans. Love, care, and respect is what everyone deserve. The color of your skin, family background, caste, religion, country, culture is something you should always be proud of".

