

Apply **now** to become a Rotary Exchange Student! It will change your life! Your flight leaves in August of next year.



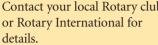
## Contact Your Local Rotary Club

Application Forms are available at www.rotary7080.org
Just follow the Youth Exchange link

#### How do I apply?



Contact your local Rotary club





**Rotary International** One Rotary Center 1560 Sherman Avenue Evanston, IL 60201 USA

www.rotary.org



# Making a World of Difference:



Long-Term Youth Exchange

# Are you ready to ...

- Form international friendships
- Learn new ways to communicate
- Gain a fresh understanding of yourself and others
- d Immerse yourself in a different culture
- Appreciate others' ways of doing things
- Act as an ambassador for and educate others about your country

# Then you are ready for **Rotary Youth Exchange!**

his year, more than 7,000 young people will have the opportunity of a lifetime a chance to live in



another country and see the world from a new perspective through Rotary Youth Exchange. This could be your year!

As a Rotary Youth Exchange student, you will spend a year living with host families and attending school in a country other than your own. You will learn a new way of living, maybe even a new language, and a great deal about yourself.

As you are learning, you will also be teaching the people you meet about your country, your culture, and your ideas. You will be a young ambassador, helping to bring the world closer together and making some good friends in the process.

If you are ready for the challenge and the rewards of living in another land as an exchange student, then you are ready to discover new worlds through the Rotary Youth Exchange program.

# What is Rotary?

Rotary International is an international humanitarian service organization. Rotararians are business and professional leaders who volunteer their time and resources to help others in their local communities and throughout the world.







# Preliminary Outbound Student Application Rotary Youth Exchange District 7080 Long-Term Program

#### **Smile!**

Attach a recent, good-quality colour photo of yourself (head and shoulders)
Original photos or colour copies must accompany all four sets of the applicatio
Size: 2 x 2 1/2 in. (5 x 6.5 cm)

#### Part 1:

Note: This is a writable PDF document. Please type information into each field, and then print the document. Sign and date the document in BLUE pen. Attach a recent head shot photo

STUDENT INFORMATION								
Full Legal Name as it appears on passpo	Preferred Name		Gender					
(use all capital letters for your FAMILY name)				☐ Male	☐ Female			
Home Address - Street				Male	Female			
Home Address - Street								
City	Province	Postal Code		Country				
Telephone	Cell Phone	Student email address						
Date of Birth (dd/mm/yyy)	Students must be over 15yrs 6	YOU MUST BE ABLE		Are you a Canadian Citizen?				
	months and under 18yrs on 1 September in the year they travel  TO TRAVEL ON A CANADIAN PASSPORT		- '	☐ Yes	□ No			
School		Years in School		Credits				
Your interests, activities, hobbies:								
Your extracurricular activities at school:								
Languages you have studied (note # years studied):								
Your past travel experience:								
Reasons you wish to become an exchange student:								
What do you hope to accomplish during and after your exchange?								
Do you have any special dietary or allergy needs?		Do you smoke?	IF CD A CE IC DE	Yes N	o			

PARENT/LEGAL GUARDIAN INFORMATION								
Full Name of Father/Legal Guardian			Full Name of Mother/Legal Guardian					
Address - Street				Address - Street				
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Rotarian?		Yes	☐ Yes ☐ No		Rotarian?		□ No	
If yes, name of Rotary Club				If yes, name of Rotary Club				
☐ Check here if parents are divorced or separated. Authorizations should be obtained from all parents/legal guardians and others who have						others who have		
legal rights to decisions affecting the student's participation.								
Parent/legal guardian to contact first in the event of an emergency:								
Do your parents support you in your quest to become an exchange student?								
□ Yes □ No □ Unsure								
Parents' or Legal Guardians' Signatures:		Applicant's Signature:						
Father								
Mother								
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# **IMPORTANT**

Please also complete the required information in part 2 (below) and read the rules carefully. This application must be completed and submitted to your local Rotary Club Youth Exchange Officer by the date specified by the Club. There is additional information available about Youth Exchange in District 7080 at www.rotary7080.org.

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#### Part 2:

#### On separate paper(s) please answer the following questions.

We encourage you to read both Rotary, and District 7080 Youth Exchange websites before responding. **Please staple** all documents together and **put your name** on the top of each page.

- 1) Describe your community. (i.e., location, population, industry, economy, highlights, and more, etc.)
- 2) What is your daily schedule during the school year (Start with your wake-up time and discuss only one typical day)? If you have course choices at school, tell what and why you chose as you did.
- 3) Describe a typical non-school day in your life (i.e. what do you do when you have free time?)
- 4) What do you hope to achieve from the program? What can you offer the program?
- 5) Identify four major issues confronting youth today. Select the most important of these and tell us why it is of personal concern.
- 6) Include a copy of your most recent school report card with your application.

# <u>Some of the Important Rules and Conditions of the Exchange — Violations will result in student's immediate return home at the students expense.</u>

- 1) District 7080 neither sponsors nor accepts students who smoke.
- 2) The student must attend school regularly and make an honest attempt to succeed.
- 3) Obey the Laws of the Host Country. If found guilty of violating any law, the student can expect no assistance from their sponsors. Student will be returned home when authorities release him/her.
- 4) The student is not allowed to possess or use illegal drugs. Medicine prescribed by a physician is allowed.
- 5) The student is not authorized to operate a motorized vehicle of any kind that requires a federal/state/provincial license, or to participate in driver education programs.
- 6) The illegal drinking of alcoholic beverages is expressly forbidden. If the host family offers a student an alcoholic drink, it is permissible to accept it under their supervision in their home.
- 7) Stealing is prohibited. There are no exceptions.
- 8) Unauthorized travel is not allowed. Students must follow the travel rules of the Host District.
- 9) The student must be covered by a health and life insurance policy agreeable to the Hosting District.
- 10) Duration of the exchange is expected to be 11 to 12 months.

The student must abide by the rules and conditions of exchange of the Hosting District, provided by the District Youth Exchange Committee in the exchange country. Exchange Rules may vary according to each district. For the complete list of District 7080 rules please visit our web site at <a href="www.rotary7080.org">www.rotary7080.org</a>. Click on the "Youth Exchange 7080" link on the left side of the page. District 7080 includes 53 Rotary Clubs in the counties of Dufferin, Peel, Halton, Wellington, Waterloo and Oxford.

District 7080 rules and conditions for Youth Exchange supersede the rules and conditions on the Rotary International website. The RI Youth Exchange site is <a href="http://www.rotary.org/programs/youth\_ex/index.html">http://www.rotary.org/programs/youth\_ex/index.html</a>

I have read and agree to abide by the rules listed above and on the 7080 website if I am accepted as a candidate for Rotary Youth exchange.

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Signature of Applicant	Date

Important: ATTACH A PHOTOCOPY OF YOUR MOST RECENT SCHOOL REPORT CARD TO THIS APPLICATION

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# Making a World of Difference



Rotary clubs carry out a variety of service projects that address such critical issues as poverty, hunger, illiteracy, substance abuse, and pollution. Service to youth is a major

emphasis among Rotarians. Working with and for tomorrow's leaders, Rotary clubs sponsor service clubs for youth and young adults and offer career development and mentoring programs.

Rotary Youth Exchange is administered by Rotary clubs and districts. With more than 30,000 clubs worldwide, Rotary clubs have an extensive network of volunteers ready to ensure the necessary support for the program. Rotary clubs have sponsored successful international youth exchanges for more than 30 years.

## Who is eligible?

Rotary Youth Exchange programs are open to qualified students ages 15-19, relatives of Rotarians and non-Rotarians alike. To qualify, applicants should be above-average students who have demonstrated leadership in their community. Candidates should also possess qualities, such as flexibility and a willingness to try new things, that will enable them to fully experience life in another country and become excellent cultural ambassadors. All applicants must be sponsored by a local Rotary club and complete a written application and oral interview.

#### How much will it cost?

Costs vary from one Rotary district to another. For specific information, contact your local club or district. Typically, the parents or guardians and the student are expected to cover the following expenses:

- ✔ Round-trip airfare
- ✓ Health and accident insurance that meets the requirements of the host club and district
- ✓ All travel documents, such as passports and visas
- ✔ Clothing and spending money
- ✓ An emergency fund for unexpected expenses during the year
- $\checkmark$  Ancillary travel and tours

# What will I do on my exchange?

During your exchange, you will live with a host family and attend school. You will make friends and get to know the area in which you are living. To gain a greater understanding of your host



country's culture, you will probably live with two or three host families during your stay. To ensure the wellbeing of all Youth Exchange participants, the local Rotary club carefully screens the

prospective families and selects those who will provide a safe and caring environment.

# What are my responsibilities?

As a Youth Exchange student, you agree to

- ✓ Abide by all program rules of your host Rotary club and district
- Accept the supervision of the host district, host club, and host family
- ✓ Act as an ambassador of your own country
- ✓ Be open to new experiences and cultural differences



# Where will my exchange be?

Youth Exchanges may take place in any of the more than 160 countries where Rotary clubs exist.

Contact your local Rotary club for more information on where its programs operate and whether or not you may select a specific country.

Wherever you go, you will discover that the world is smaller than you once thought, and that you can gain a great deal from the unique experience of being a Rotary Youth Exchange participant.

## What do past participants say?

"The year I was away from home, I met friends from all over the world, and suddenly places like Croatia and Poland weren't dots on a map."

- Zimbabwean exchange student to Canada

"Those short 12 months were the beginning of a strongly developed interest in international relations."

— Dutch exchange student to the USA

"The opportunities that the Rotary program gives students to participate in family life, school, and social activities — and to learn the language and customs of a different culture — are certainly working toward . . . peace."

- Brazilian exchange student to Australia

"Rotary Youth Exchange is a step above any other program because of the thorough orientation, loving host families, and the support of two entire Rotary clubs, at home and in our host country."

— U.S. exchange student to Japan

"I would recommend this experience to anyone. . . . It makes a world of difference."

- English exchange student to Peru