

Are you interested in learning a new language or meeting new people? Rotary Youth Exchange is the opportunity of a lifetime for the more than 8,000 students who participate each year. By sharing your own culture and embracing a new one, you help foster global understanding—and learn a great deal about yourself and your home country in the process.

WHAT IS A ROTARY YOUTH EXCHANGE?

Youth Exchange is a study-abroad scholarship opportunity for young people who spend anywhere from a few weeks (Short-Term) to a full year (Long Term) as an international student hosted by local Rotary clubs. The **Long Term scholarship** covers exchange arrangements, orientation, room, board, tuition, allowance (monthly stipend ranges from \$100-\$200 USD) and Rotary support and is **valued at up to \$25,000**. **Short Term scholarships** cover exchange arrangements, orientation, room, board and Rotary support for up to one month valued at up to **\$4,000**.

IS AN EXCHANGE RIGHT FOR ME?

Exchanges are for people ages 15–19 who:

- Have demonstrated leadership in their school and community
- Are flexible and willing to try new things
- Are open to cultural differences
- Can serve as an ambassador for their own country

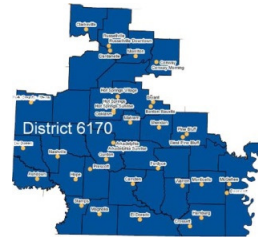
HOW MUCH DOES IT COST? PARTIAL SCHOLARSHIPS AVAILABLE

Long Term - \$4,700		Short Term - \$400	
Application/District Interview Fee		Application/District Interview Fee	
Insurance	Business Cards	Insurance	Business Cards
Airfare	Pins	Pins	Rotary Blazer
Rotary Blazer	Outbound Camp	Rotary Support	Room & Board
Rebound Camp	Visa Assistance Service		
Rotary Support	Room & Board		

* Additional fees will vary depending on the country and include passport fee, visa fees, emergency fund (\$400-\$600) extra sightseeing tours and any language assistance service. Short Term exchange- airfare is the responsibility of the exchange student can range between \$1,400-\$2,200) Scholarships are available on a competitive basis that can assist with these fees.

HOW CAN I APPLY? EMAIL ytaylor@groupliving.org

Because the selection and orientation process can be lengthy, we suggest you apply 6–12 months before you plan to leave.



TIMELINE 2018-2019

September/October 2018

- **Students should start filling out their application for long-term exchange 2019-2020**

November 2018

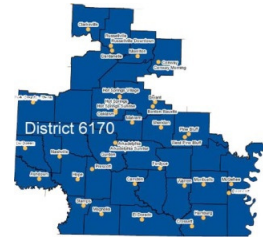
- **Deadline for completed Applications for Long Term Exchanges Yukiko Taylor - November 1**
- **Club Interviews Parents & Students – Club will Contact You After Nov. 1**
- **Clubs submits approved applications with \$250 application fee (part of the \$4,700 total cost) to District Chair by Nov. 15**

December 2018

- **Dec. 1 & 2 – District Interviews Parents & Students –Students spend the night with ROTEX (former exchange students) held in conjunction with District 6150. Food and lodging covered with application fee. Lodging for student applicant only.**
- **Students receive notification from District on approval of exchange.**

January - March 2019

- **District works on securing exchange with countries.**
- **Clubs/Student Applicants work on securing host families for incoming exchange (3 to 4 families)**
- **January 15 first payment of \$1,500 is due to the district from approved Long Term exchange student.**
- **March 15 second payment of \$1,500 is due to the district from approved Long Term exchange student.**
- **Scholarship applications are due January 15 and may not be to cover the first payment.**
- **Exchange Student must apply for a Passport by March 1**
- **Register with Travel Agency**
- **Apply for Insurance**
- **Complete Short Term Exchange Applications due to District by Feb 1**
- **February 15 Short Term District Exchange Interviews**
- **March 15 \$400 payment due from approved short term exchanges.**



April 2019

- **Parents and Students must attend the District Conference for training**
- **Clubs must obtain School Acceptance Letter of inbound exchange student.**

May 2019

- **Rotary Blazer Purchased by Rotary District**
- **Business Cards Purchased by Rotary District**
- **Last payment of \$1,450 paid to Rotary District for Long Term exchanges by May 15**

June 2019

- **Make consulate appointments for visa applications (where necessary)**
- **Finalize Travel**
- **Outbound Camp**
- **Host Family Orientation**
- **Short Term Exchanges Occur!**

July 2019

- **Contact insurance company and collect one-year supply of medications, contact lenses as well as take a written copy of prescriptions.**
- **Incoming Short Term Exchanges Occur!**

August 2019

- **Long Term Exchanges Start!**
- **Cancel Auto Insurance after departure date**

Applications – ytaylor@groupliving.org

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