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Club of Waterdown

Rotary Youth Exchange Application Information for 2019-2020

The Rotary Club of Waterdown is recruiting the following for 2019-2020:

- ✓ WDHS students for the long-term international exchange (11 months)
- ✓ WDHS students for the short-term international exchange (6-8 weeks)
- ✓ Host families who live within the WDHS catchment area

For more information, see the next page and also go to <http://www.rotaryye7090.org/rotary-district-7090-youth-exchange>.

Student Application Process (Long-term and Short-term)

1. Interviews will be conducted in the evening of Tuesday December 4 (your parents must attend as well). To book an interview, please email Rotarian Sue Collins at scollins@bell.net **by Friday November 30**.
2. Please complete the attached 2-page Preliminary Application and **ask one of your teachers** for a letter of recommendation. With your application, you must also include a **300-500 word essay** that explains the reasons why you wish to become a Rotary Youth Exchange student and why we should choose you as a student to represent our Club, Rotary District and Canada abroad.
3. Please return the completed application, including teacher's reference and essay, to Student Services at WDHS **by 2 pm on Monday December 3**.
4. You will be informed within a week of the interview whether or not you are chosen.

N.B.: We cannot accept long-term applications from students who will graduate in June 2019

Host Family Application Process (Long-term only)

Please contact Rotarian Sue Collins at scollins@bell.net if your family lives within the WDHS catchment area and would like to host an international student for 3-4 months during the 2019-2020 school year.

For any questions, contact Rotarian Sue Collins at scollins@bell.net

Short-term Exchange

- ✓ WDHS student aged 15-18
- ✓ Exchange is 6-8 weeks during the 2019 summer vacation
- ✓ Student partnered with a similar student in another country
- ✓ Family-to-family exchange (both students stay with one family for 3-4 weeks, then the other family for 3-4 weeks)
- ✓ Typical cost \$2,000-\$3,000

Long-term Exchange

- ✓ WDHS student aged 15-18 (N.B. not open to students graduating in June 2019)
- ✓ Will likely leave in August 2019 and return in July 2020
- ✓ Student lives with 1-4 families in another country and attends school there
- ✓ Host Club will give student a small allowance
- ✓ Typical cost \$3,500-\$7,000

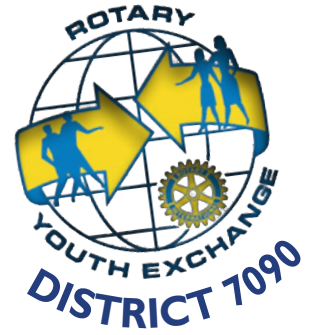
Host families (long-term exchange only)

- ✓ Families must live in the WDHS catchment area and be willing to have police checks
- ✓ Typically host a foreign student for 3-4 months
- ✓ Student is expected to attend WDHS
- ✓ Student must have a separate bed in a room with a child of the same gender, or have a separate bedroom
- ✓ N.B. Families are paid a small stipend, but it does not cover all costs of having a family member

Preliminary Application for Rotary Youth Exchange



Yes, I am interested in representing my country as an exchange student and I am open to learn about other cultures!



Full Name:

Street Address:

City:

State/Prov:

Zip/Postal Code:

Telephone:

Email:

Date of Birth:

Year in School: Grade

I am interested in Long-Term Exchange (10-11 months) and/or Short-Term Exchange (6-8 weeks)

Your interests, activities, hobbies:

Your extra-curricular activities at school:

Your volunteer activities:

Non-native languages you have studied (with number of years studied):

What was your mark (overall grade point) average at the end of the last school year?

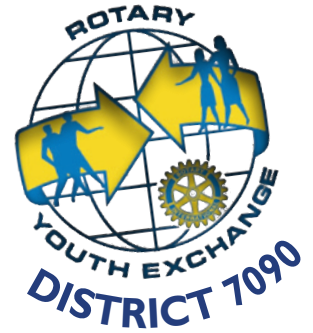
What countries/cities have you visited?

What is the longest period that you have been away from your family?

Please attach a letter of recommendation from a WDHS teacher.

Please attach a 300 to 500 word essay with your application that explains the reasons why you wish to become a Rotary Youth Exchange student and why we should chose you as a student to represent our club, Rotary District and country abroad.

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What do you hope to learn as a result of your exchange?

Do your parents support you in your desire to become an exchange student?

Yes

Unsure

No

Would your family consider hosting a foreign Exchange Student?

Yes

No

Parents' and/or Legal Guardians' Signatures:

Applicant's Signature:

Remember:

- Email scollins@bell.net by Friday November 30 to book an interview in the evening of Tuesday December 4 (including your parents)
- Complete this whole form and return it to Student Services at WDHS by 2 pm on Monday December 3.
- Your application should also include a letter of recommendation from a WDHS teacher, plus the essay referred to on the first page of this application.

Return application to:

Application deadline:

Email scollins@bell.net by Nov. 30 to request an interview.
Full application due by 2 pm on Monday December 3.