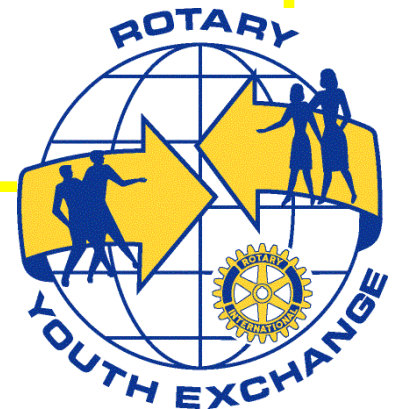
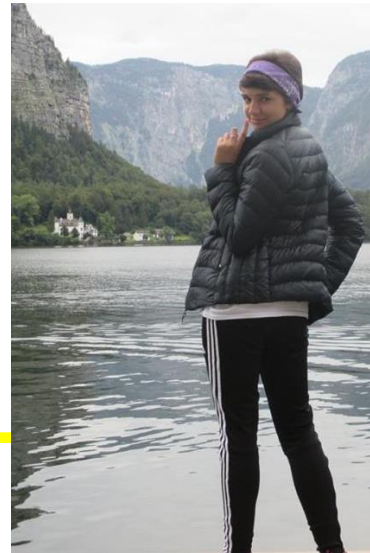


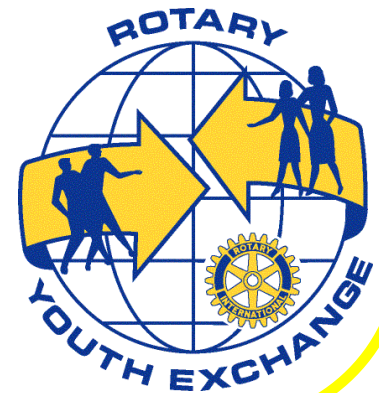
Rotary Club of Camrose Youth Exchange



Sept 2019

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- Welcome and introductions
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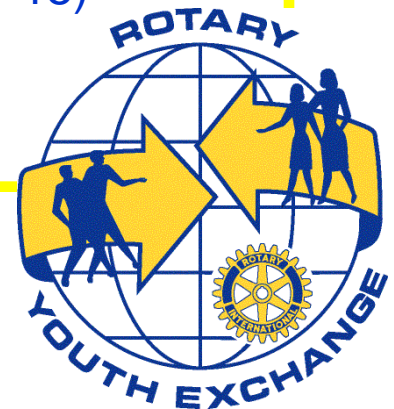


Welcome & Introductions

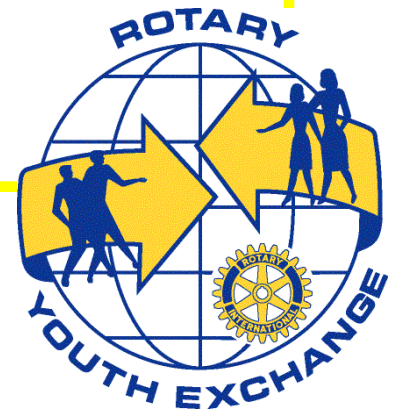
Rotary Youth Exchange committee members

Dustin Gagnon: Rebound student (2012-13)

Suzanne/Randal Nickle: Parent of rebound student (2014-15)

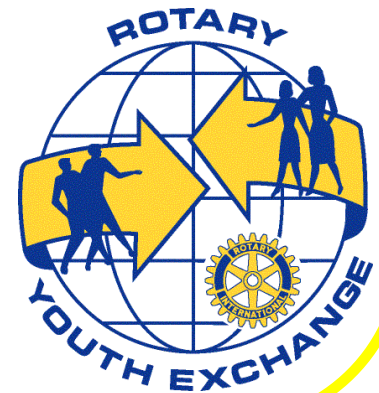


Program Overview

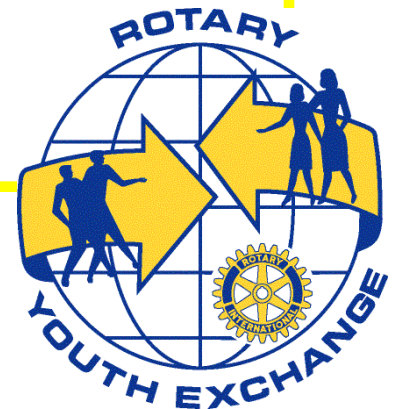


What is Rotary?

- Worldwide organization with over 1 million members in 35,000 clubs
- Service projects address poverty, illness, hunger, illiteracy, pollution, clean water.
- Major emphasis on service to YOUTH.

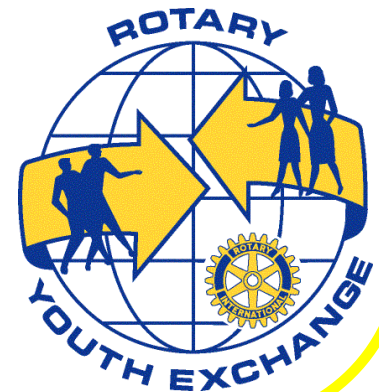


What is Rotary Youth Exchange?



Program Scope

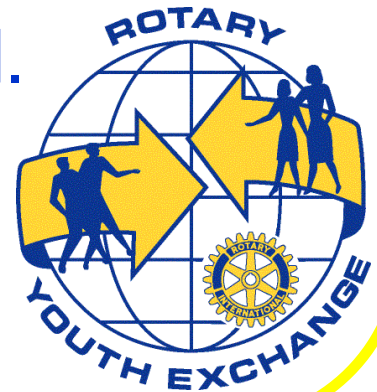
- Every year about 7,000 students participate in Rotary Youth Exchange.
- Rotary Club of Camrose aims to sponsor a student every **SECOND** year.
- Student chosen now will be on exchange during 2020-2021 school year.



Program Objectives

Students live and study for one year in a different culture:

- To further their education and broaden their outlook
- To learn a different way of living, a new language and a great deal about themselves.
- To make friendship across the world.
- To view the world from a new perspective.

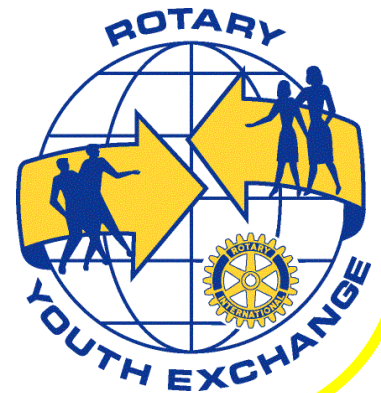


Program Objectives



To develop international understanding & goodwill by enabling youth to understand & appreciate the culture and accomplishments of people in other lands.

To bring the world closer together and build peace one young person at a time.

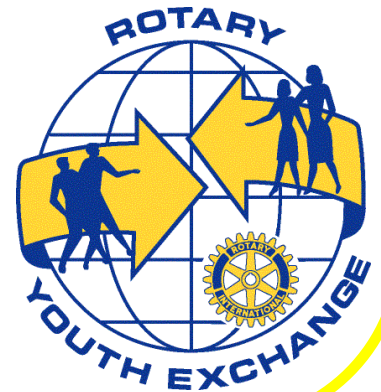


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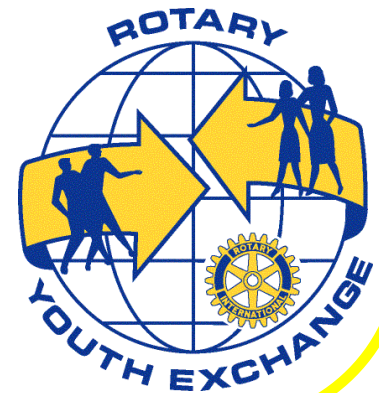
To create goodwill ambassadors who project a positive image of Canada in other cultures.

Students inform everyone they meet about Canada and Canadian culture.



How Does it Work?

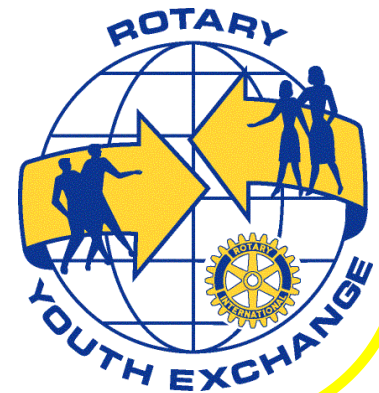
- Students are sponsored by Rotary Club of Camrose, and hosted by a Rotary Club in their exchange country.
- Students live with 1 to 4 host families (usually Rotarians) and attend a local school.



Where might I go? **

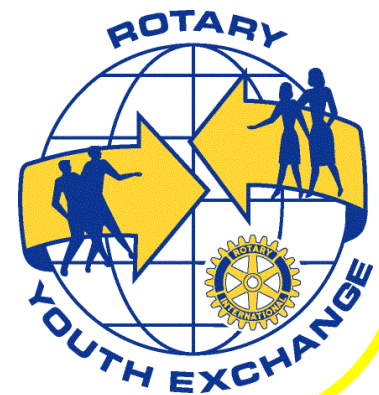
- Austria
- Belgium
- Denmark
- Finland
- France
- Italy
- Japan
- Netherlands
- Norway
- Portugal
- Sweden
- Switzerland

** Subject to change



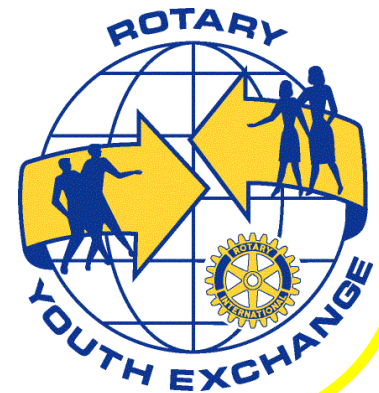
Rotary Provides Support

- Supports in Canada:
 - District 5370 RYE committee
 - Counsellor from Rotary Club of Camrose
- Supports in host country:
 - District RYE committee
 - Host Rotary club and counsellor
 - Host families



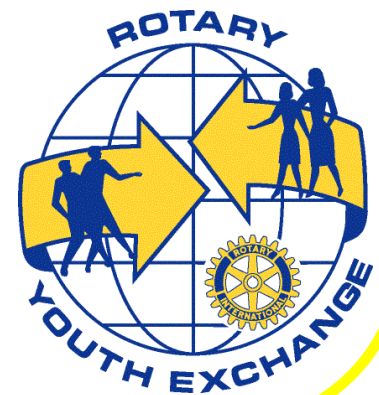
What will it cost?

- Rotary Club of Camrose pays for airfare, insurance, travel documents (not passport), some language training.
- Hosting Rotary club provides room & board, allowance, and registration fees for required RYE events.



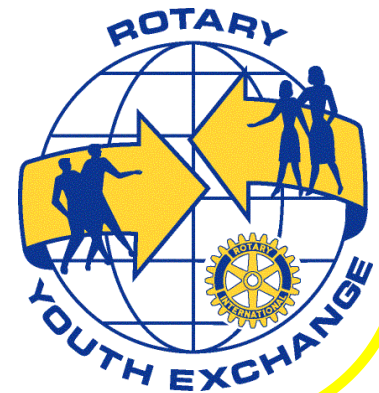
What will it cost?

- Parents/student must pay for:
 - Clothing, gifts, souvenirs
 - Pre-trip medical/dental exams, vaccinations
 - Extra spending money if needed
 - Parental registration for compulsory orientation & welcome back weekends (approx \$350/person)
 - \$500 emergency fund (refunded if not needed)
 - \$500 deposit (refunded upon completion of exchange process)
 - Optional travel/trips/activities
 - Passport

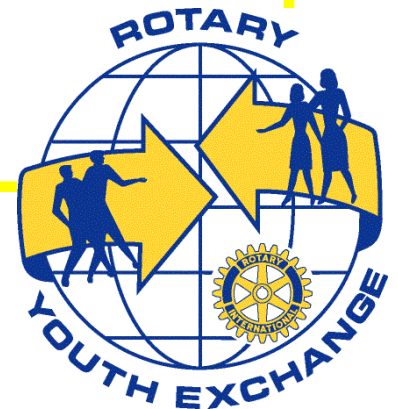


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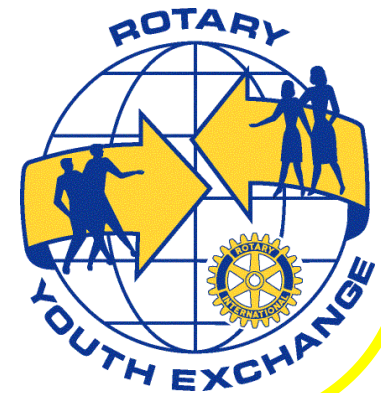
- Can total \$4000-\$10,000 depending on country and spending habits of student.
- But family saves the cost of having student at home for a year.



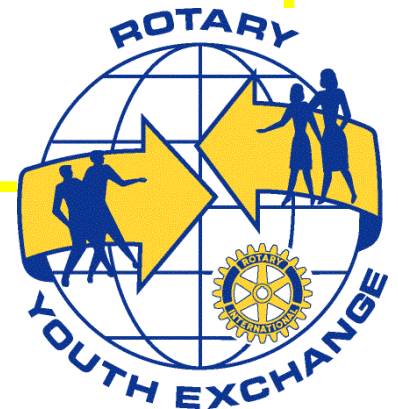
Student Experience



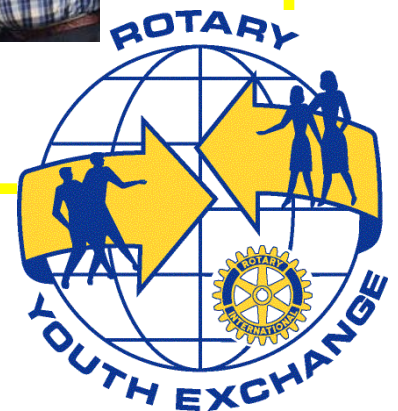
Dustin Gagnon (Switzerland 2012-2013)



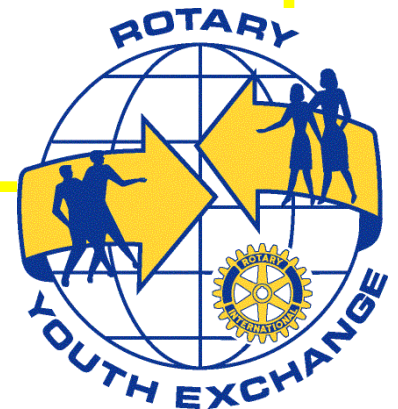
Parent Experience



Host Parent Experience



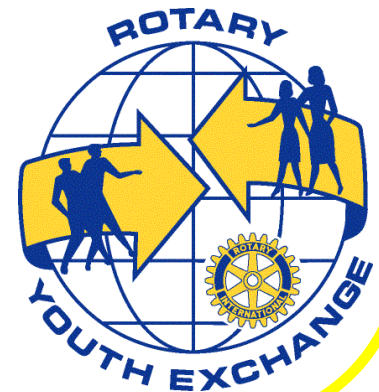
Choosing the Student



What are we looking for?

- **Student Age:**

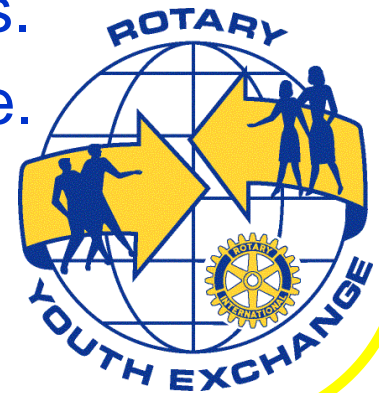
- Youngest eligible: Must be at least 16 years of age on 30 June 2020
- Cannot turn 19 years prior to return to Canada in July 2021.



What are we looking for?

● Student Personality

- Demonstrates leadership qualities.
- Friendly & outgoing. Likes meeting new people.
- Flexible & adaptable to new situations and surroundings. Willing to try new things.
- Committed to learning a new language.
- Accepting of cultural/religious differences.
- Reliable & trustworthy. Accepts discipline.
- Independent.
- Good character & reputation.

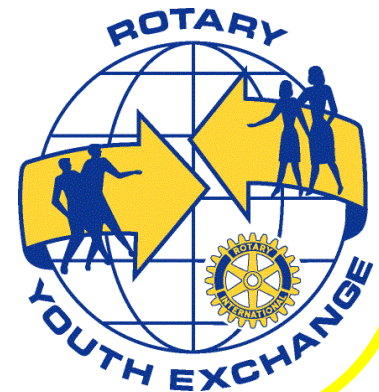


What are we looking for?

- **Academics**

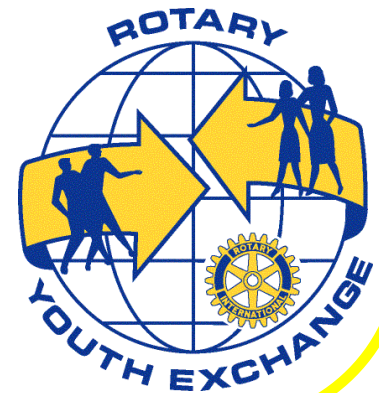
- Good student. Above average academic performance.
- Conscientious and hard working.
- Committed to attending school in host community.
- Willing to postpone graduation if necessary.

- **Involved** in school, community, church, athletics, arts or other organizations.



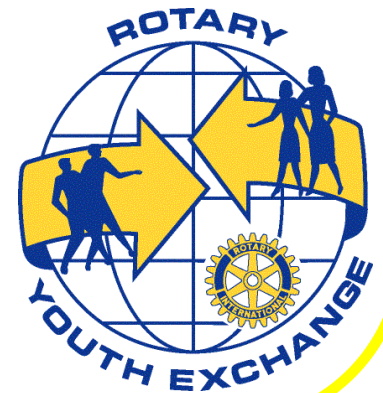
What are we looking for?

- Good communicator.
Comfortable speaking in public.
- Parents whole-heartedly support the exchange.
- An excellent ambassador for Rotary and for Canada.



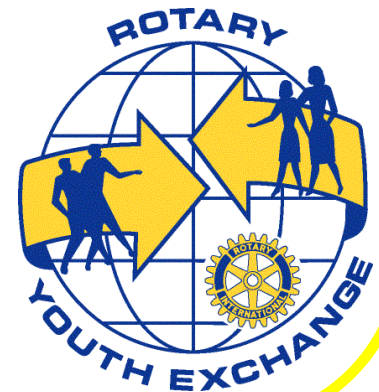
Student responsibilities

- RYE is NOT a holiday nor a travel program.
- There are expectations of our RYE students....



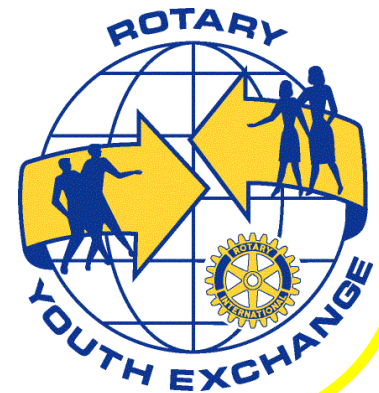
Student responsibilities

- Attend school regularly and be an involved and cooperative student.
- Be open to & accepting of new experiences & cultural differences.
- Follow program rules/expectations and accept the supervision of host Rotary club and host parents.



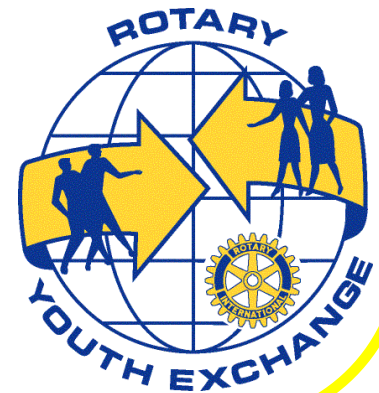
Student responsibilities

- Be an active participant in host family, club and exchange activities.
- Be polite, courteous, positive & friendly. Create a good impression of Canada and Canadians.
- Be grateful for your experiences and commit to giving back to your hosts and community.



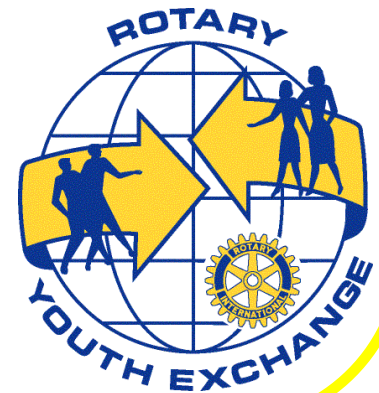
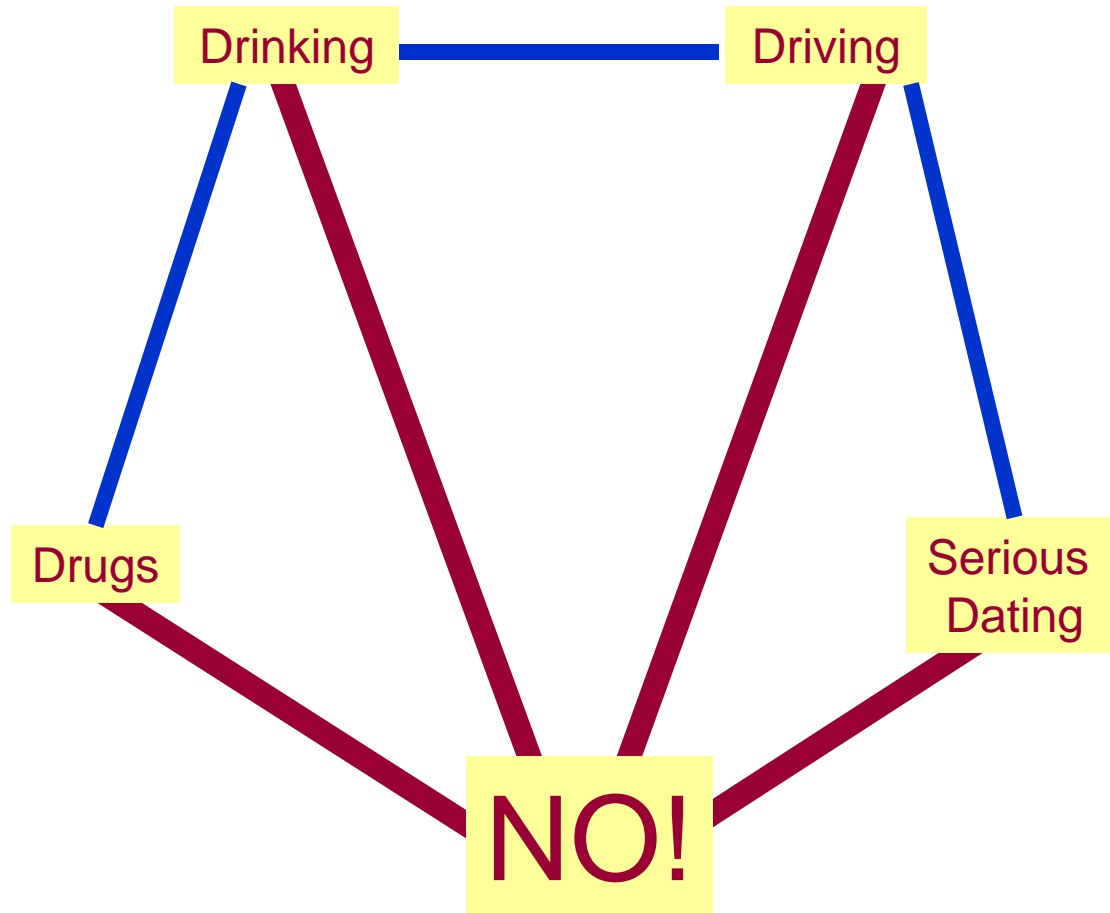
Student responsibilities

- Inform your sponsoring Rotary Club regularly about your experiences.
- Be committed to immersing yourself in the culture and learning/experiencing as much as you can, including becoming fluent in a new language.
- Complete the 3 yr exchange cycle.



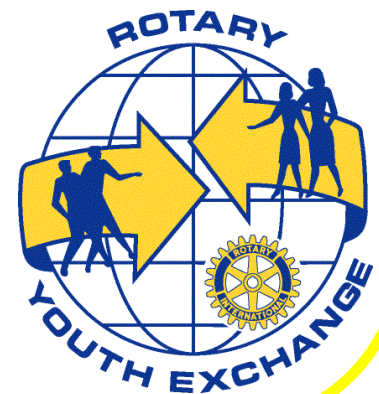
The Four “D’s”

RYE’s Code of Conduct

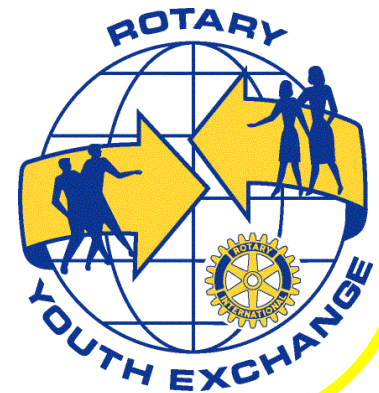


Student Contract

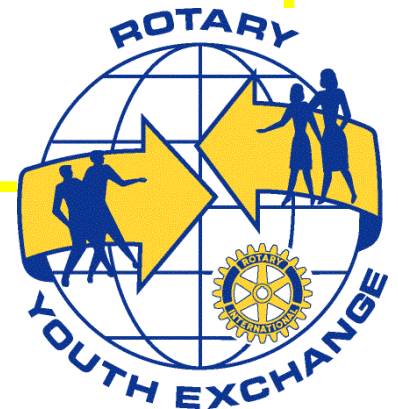
- Attend Spring Orientation & Welcome Back weekends with parents
- Complete pre-trip assignments
- Do presentations to Rotary Club of Camrose before & after exchange
- Attend June farewell BBQ
- Submit bimonthly reflection reports
- Follow rules, have a positive outlook, and be grateful for your experiences.
- Assist with recruiting new RYE student
- Stay engaged with Rotary Club of Camrose.
- Fundraise for ShelterBox Canada.



ShelterBox Canada



Process and Timelines



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Dates	Activities
Oct 1 (midnight)	Deadline for preliminary applications.
Oct 1-15*	Local committee interviews 3-4 students & parents.
By Oct 15	Local committee nominates 1 student (plus alternate).
Oct 15-Nov 30	Student prepares detailed application & has medical/dental exams.
30 Nov 2019	Deadline to submit application to District 5370.
11-12 Jan 2020*	District committee interviews student & parents.
24 Jan 2020	Student officially named an outbound RYE student!
Feb – July 2020	Student attends Rotary Club of Camrose meetings. Student researches host country and takes language training. Obtains passport.

* Mandatory

Process and Timelines

Dates	Activities
13-15 Mar 2020*	Spring Bootcamp weekend for student, parents & counsellor.
June 2020	Student makes presentation to Rotary Club of Camrose.
June 2020*	Student/counsellor farewell BBQ
July/Aug 2020	Student travels to host community.
Sept 2020 to July 2021	Student lives with host families and attends school.
July 2021	Student returns to Camrose as a “Rebound” student.
13-15 Aug 2021*	Student, parents & counsellor attend Rebound Weekend.
Sept 2021*	Student makes presentation to Rotary Club of Camrose.
Mar 2022*	Student assists at Spring Bootcamp for new outbounds. \$500 deposit returned if all commitments are met.

* Mandatory

Are you ready to.....



- Totally immerse yourself in a new culture?



- Make international friendships?



- Learn a new language?



- Appreciate other ways of doing things?



- Be an ambassador for Rotary & Canada?

Then you're ready for Rotary Youth Exchange!

Questions?

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