



**Rotary 21 Club-to-Club Short Term Exchange  
Application Form  
2011**



**Application for Rotary Youth Exchange  
Club to Club Short Term Program**

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Type or print the application, make 2 copies and sign each copy in blue ink.

**Applicant**

**Name** \_\_\_\_\_ **Gender** \_\_\_\_\_

**Address** \_\_\_\_\_

**City/State/Zip** \_\_\_\_\_

**Home Phone** \_\_\_\_\_ **Cell** \_\_\_\_\_

**Email** \_\_\_\_\_

**Date of Birth** \_\_\_\_\_ **City of Birth** \_\_\_\_\_

**Citizen of (Country)** \_\_\_\_\_

*I hereby state that I am of good health and character, understand the importance of the role of a youth ambassador as a Rotary Youth Exchange Student, have read and agree to abide by the Program rules and conditions of exchange detailed in this application and will to the best of my ability, maintain the high standards of required of a Youth Exchange Student should I be chosen to represent Rotary Club 21, my community and my country. I further state that all the material contained in this application and documents attached hereto are true and accurate to the best of my knowledge.*

*Signed* \_\_\_\_\_ *Date* \_\_\_\_\_

**Rotary Sponsorship**

The Rotary Club 21 of Spokane, having interviewed the application and his/her parent/legal guardians and reviewed the student's application, hereby endorse the student as meeting the qualifications for the Club to Club exchange and recommend the acceptance of this student.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Club President

\_\_\_\_\_  
Youth Exchange Officer

**Parent/Legal Guardian Information**

Full Name of Father/Legal Guardian \_\_\_\_\_

Street \_\_\_\_\_

City State Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Cell \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail \_\_\_\_\_

Full Name of Mother/Legal Guardian \_\_\_\_\_

Street \_\_\_\_\_

City State Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Cell \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail \_\_\_\_\_

Rotary Club 21 Sponsor (parent or grandparent) \_\_\_\_\_

Have any of your immediate family been on a Rotary Club 21 Club to Club Exchange within the past 3 years? If so, please list names and years of exchange:

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(Because of limited funds, preference will be given to students whose families have not yet benefited from the Club to Club exchange program)

Has your family ever hosted a Rotary Exchange Student or activity?

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**Permission for Medical Care and Release of Liability**

In consideration of the acceptance and participation of the applicant in such program the undersigned applicant and his or her parents or legal guardians to the full extent permitted by law, hereby release and agree to save, hold harmless and indemnify all host parents and members of their families and all members, officers, directors, committee members and employees of host and sponsoring Rotary Clubs and Districts, and of Rotary International, from any or all liability for any loss, property damage, personal injury or death, including any such liability which may arise out of the negligence of any such persons or entities which may be suffered or claimed by such application, parent, or guardian during or as a result of, the participation by the applicant in such Youth Exchange program including travel to and from the host country.

We the parents /guardians of the applicant and the applicant if of legal age, who have the sole and legal right to make the decisions on the health and care of the application do release from liability and grant permission as noted of the following while our son/daughter/ward is overseas as a Rotary Youth Exchange student:

In the event of accident or sickness, we/I authorize any Rotarian, authorized chaperones of Rotary activities and host parents of our son/daughter/ward to select the appropriate medical facility and physicians/dentists to provide treatment.

We give permission for any operation, administration of anesthetic or blood transfusion that a medical practitioner may deem necessary or advisable for the treatment of our son/daughter/ward;

We/I further consent to any medical or surgical treatment by a licensed physician, surgeon, or dentist who might be required by our son/daughter/ward for any emergency situation. We do request that we be notified as soon as possible, but emergency treatment need not be delayed to provide such notice

In the case of elective surgery, we/I request prior notification.

Having read and understood Program Rules and Conditions of Exchange on the following pages, we agree to abide by these rules and conditions and understand that any violation may result in abrupt termination of the exchange and we further agree that the host Rotary club and host Rotary district shall have final authority in enforcing these rules and condition and any other rules and conditions which may be imposed with due notice.

Applicant \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_  
Parent/Guardian \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_  
Rotary Representative \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

## **Rules and Conditions of Exchange**

As a Youth Exchange student sponsored by a Rotary club or district, you must agree to the following rules and conditions of exchange. Please note that districts may edit this document or insert additional rules if needed to account for local conditions.

### **Rules and Conditions of Exchange**

- 1) You must obey the laws of the host country. If found guilty of violating any law, you can expect no assistance from your sponsors or native country. You must return home at your own expense as soon as released by authorities.
- 2) You are not allowed to possess or use illegal drugs. Medicine prescribed to you by a physician is allowed.
- 3) The illegal drinking of alcoholic beverages is expressly forbidden. Students who are of legal age should refrain. If you are staying with a host family and are offered an alcoholic drink, it is permissible to accept it under their supervision in the home.
- 4) You may not operate a motorized vehicle or participate in driver education programs.
- 5) You will be under the host district's authority while you are an exchange student and must abide by the rules and conditions of exchange provided by the host district. Parents or legal guardians must not authorize any extra activities directly to you. Any relatives you may have in the host country will have no authority over you while you are in the program.
- 6) If your program includes schooling, you must attend regularly and make an honest attempt to succeed.
- 7) You must have travel insurance that provides medical and dental coverage for accidental injury and illness, death benefits (including repatriation of remains), disability / dismemberment benefits, emergency medical evacuation, emergency visitation expenses, 24- hour emergency assistance services, and legal services, in amounts satisfactory to the host Rotary club or district in consultation with the sponsor Rotary club or district, with coverage from the time of your departure from your home country until your return.
- 8) You should have sufficient financial support to assure your well-being during your exchange. Your host district may require a contingency fund for emergency situations. Unused funds will be returned to your parents or legal guardians at the end of your exchange.

- 9) You must follow the travel rules of your host district. Travel is permitted with host parents or for Rotary club or district functions authorized by the host Rotary club or district with proper adult chaperones. The host district and club and your parents or legal guardians must approve any other travel in writing, thus exempting Rotary of responsibility and liability.
- 10) You must return home directly by a route mutually agreeable to your host district and your parents or legal guardians.
- 11) Any costs related to an early return home or any other unusual costs (language tutoring, tours, etc.) are the responsibility of you and your parents or legal guardians.
- 12) You should communicate with your host family, if applicable, prior to leaving your home country. The family's information must be provided to you by your host club or district prior to your departure.
- 13) Visits by your parents or legal guardians, siblings, or friends while you are on exchange are strongly discouraged. Such visits may only take place with the host club's and district's consent and within their guidelines.
- 14) Talk with your host club counselor or other trusted adult if you encounter any form of abuse or harassment.

### **Recommendations for a Successful Exchange**

- 1) Smoking is discouraged. If you state in your application that you do not smoke, you will be held to that position throughout your exchange. Your acceptance and placement is based on your signed statement. Under no circumstances are you to smoke in any bedrooms.
- 2) Body piercing or obtaining a tattoo while on your exchange is not allowed, for health reasons.
- 3) If placed in a host family, respect your host's wishes. Become an integral part of the family, assuming duties and responsibilities normal for a student of your age or for children in the family.
- 4) Learn the language of your host country. Teachers, Rotary club members, and others you meet in the community will appreciate the effort. It will go a long way in your gaining acceptance in the community and with those who will become lifelong friends.
- 5) Attend Rotary-sponsored events and, if living with a family, host family events, and show an interest in these activities. Volunteer to be involved; do not wait to be asked. Lack of interest on your part is detrimental to your exchange and can have a negative impact on future exchanges.

- 6) Avoid serious romantic activity. Abstain from sexual activity.
- 7) Choose friends in the community carefully. Ask for and heed the advice of host families, counselors, and school personnel in choosing friends.
- 8) Do not borrow money. Pay any bills promptly. Ask permission to use the phone or computer, keep track of all calls and time on the Internet, and reimburse the costs you incur.
- 9) Limit your use of the Internet and mobile phones. Excessive or inappropriate use is not acceptable.
- 10) If you are offered an opportunity to go on a trip or attend an event, make sure you understand any costs you must pay and your responsibilities before you go.

**Supplemental Information**

Club contacts Teri Mathis  
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Spokane, WA 99223  
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[terimathis@mac.com](mailto:terimathis@mac.com)

Student Information

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Date of Birth \_\_\_\_\_ Religion \_\_\_\_\_

Dietary restrictions/allergies \_\_\_\_\_

1. Please list any languages you have studied and your fluency

1=poor; 2=Marginal; 3=Short Sentences; 4= fluent

\_\_\_\_\_ Fluency: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ Fluency \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ Fluency \_\_\_\_\_

2. What is your favorite school subject? Why?

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3. What are your interests and activities? What leadership positions have you held (in school and in outside activities such as scouting?)

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4. What are your hobbies and accomplishments? Elaborate on your interests in these areas (e.g., why did you become interested in an activity? How long have you been interested? How much time do you devote to the activity?)

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5. What are your future plans and ambitions?

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6. Why do you wish to participate in this program?

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7. Our Rotary Club requires you to host the student with whom you will be staying while on the program. Is your family willing to host an inbound exchange student in your home? \_\_\_\_\_

8. Describe your community and home: \_

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9. Describe your family interests, activities, pets, siblings, etc

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10. Identify four major issues confronting youth today. Select one major issue and tell us why it is of personal concern.

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11. Medical information:

When was your last physical exam? \_\_\_\_\_

(If you are selected, a physical exam may be required)

- a. do you have any major medical conditions that would be important for the host family to know about? If so, please describe (i.e. physical, mental, emotional)

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- b. Have you taken any prescribed medications in the prior six months related to the condition stated above? If so, please give name of the prescription. \_\_\_\_\_

12. Do you smoke? \_\_\_\_\_ Have you ever been involved with illegal drugs? \_\_\_\_\_ Do you drink alcoholic beverages? \_\_\_\_\_

If you answered "yes" to any of the these, please explain below \_\_\_\_\_

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## Country Preference Form

Summer 2011

Rotary Club 21 offers students exchange opportunities in the countries listed below.

If you are absolutely not interested in an exchange to one of the countries listed, please put a line through the name of the country and do not include it in your ranking.

\_\_\_\_\_Germany    \_\_\_\_\_Italy

The Rotary Club 21 Short Term Exchange period is a 6 week block of time with 3 weeks spent abroad and 3 weeks spent at home as host to your inbound counterpart. We offer exchanges to the countries listed above in part because these countries have a summer vacation schedule similar to ours.

I agree to accept whatever country assignment I am given:

Applicant's signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Picture page

Affix photos to the page with glue or double-sided tape. Do not staple. Color photocopies are acceptable.

My home	My family (identify each person)
My special interest	Something important to me -