

Rotary
District 5550



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September 1, 2022

Please find enclosed herewith the information package and Country Selection form for the 2022-23 Youth Exchange year for Short Term Exchanges. We note that depending on Covid, some of the countries may change, and we can not promise a student that one of their selections will be available.

We would ask that you notify us of any prospective student and arrange to carry out a club interview; assuming that you approve of the student, a District Level Interview will be arranged and further contact with the student will begin so that they may start entering completing the lengthy application form we will generate for them.

It is possible that a student may apply online first, and if so, we will refer them back to the appropriate club to set up the contact/interview process.

We understand that finding enough host families is often a concern for clubs in deciding if they will participate in the Exchange Program, and accordingly wish to remind you that you can require the family of a prospective student to find one or more host families for an inbound student, subject to the requisite criminal record checks, Please note that the student's family can not be required to host themselves, though they can be required to find a family Remember, host families who are not Rotarian could be prospective Rotary members.

If your club has participated in the program, we hope you will again, if you have not please consider it, your club will find it a rewarding experience.

Mike Mahon

Co-Chair, District 5550 Youth Exchange
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SHORT TERM EXCHANGE COUNTRY PREFERENCES 2023 Outbound Instructions

The form that follows is to be completed by students who have been selected by a Rotary Club, as a proposed Outbound student, in order to generate the District Interview, then the Long Form Application form will be generated electronically and sent out to students directly.

The following Short Term Country Preferences Form needs to be typed and emailed to Mike Mahon, Co-Chair at D5550yep@gmail.com , **no later than Nov 20, 2022.**

Once this application is submitted, students and family member(s) will be required to participate in a District Level Interview, the purpose of which is to ensure the student is suitable for the exchange program and is supported by family. Please remember that the Short Term Exchange has a family to family match. Once the student/family is approved, and the online application is completed by December 15th, there is mandatory training sessions for all outbound students starting in January remotely and ending in person in late April 2023. The session in April must be attended by both the new Outbound student, and at least one parent (the fees for an additional parent will be at their own cost).

At present the flat fee cost of the 2023-24 exchange year is estimated at \$5500. Fees are to be paid by way of a \$500 non-refundable deposit at the time of the District Interview, via e-transfer to treas5550yep@gmail.com. Two further equal payments will be due, on December 31, 2022 and May 1, 2023.

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**ROTARY INTERNATIONAL DISTRICT 5550 SHORT TERM EXCHANGE
COUNTRY PREFERENCES 2023 FORM (page 1 of 2)**

Exchange Year 2023-2024

FROM THE ROTARY CLUB OF _____

Enclosed is the documentation for Student: _____

Date of Birth: Year: _____ Month: _____ Day: _____ Female/Male

Students Email address: _____

Mailing address _____

Cell Number _____

Alternate Phone Number _____

Parent(s) name: _____

Parent(s) name: _____

Parent(s) email address: _____

Parent(s) email address: _____

The local Rotary Club counselor and contact person for this student will be:

_____ To be determined or

Name: _____

Bus Phone _____

Address: _____

Home Phone: _____

Email: _____

FAX: _____

SHORT TERM COUNTRY SELECTION FORM 2023 (page 2 of 2)

Student Name: _____

This form must have a \$500.00 non refundable application fee forwarded to Rotary District 5550 YEP .

Your preferences will be reviewed, however this is not a guarantee that you will receive any of your preferred as indicated. There is not a formal country list as we can be open to more countries than our Long Term Program for a variety of reasons.

The student's country preferences and reasons for them are:

1. _____ Reason: _____
2. _____ Reason: _____
3. _____ Reason: _____
4. _____ Reason: _____
5. _____ Reason: _____

I would consider doing exchange virtually if in person exchange is not possible

YES NO MAYBE

The club counselor and contact person for this student will be:

Name: _____ Bus Phone: _____
Address: _____ Home Phone: _____
Email: _____ FAX: _____