Below are some **common** questions I receive when a student and their family is deciding on either the Long Term Exchange (LTE) or the Short Term Exchange (STE)

Can I apply to both programs, just in case I'm rejected by one?

Yes, you can apply for both programs but it is best now that you and your family decide if you want to participate in a short term or long term exchange. The **long term (school year – 10 month)** or **short term (summer 3-6 week)** exchange program. We encourage students to be successful in what ever program they decide and rarely will reject an interested student.

For the long term program, will the trip (10 months) be during the 2016-2017 school year? Yes, the long term program is a 10 month commitment and the short term is 3-6 weeks and this is during 2016-2017.

When will the short term program occur?

Typically, the short term program occurs during the school year of the country you decide to visit.

Will my family have to host a student if I am accepted into the program?

The short term program is a family to family exchange. Long term involves 2-3 host families over the 10 months. Your family can choose to host but it is not mandatory.

Which countries may I choose from for the program?

You are asked to provide your top 3 countries once you are accepted into the program, Rotary starts working together internationally to find an exchange of one of your 3 countries.

For the long term program, what is the cost and what does the cost cover?

You and your family are responsible for the following **estimated cost**:

- 1. Round-Trip air fair
- 2. Passport
- 3. Supplies, Blazer and Student Materials \$625.00
- 4. Operations (Western States Exchange Membership, volunteer training and background checks) \$450.00
- 5. District Activities \$430.00

Are language camps/lessons necessary?

It is helpful and necessary that you have an understanding of the language for the country you choose. We encourage students to take language classes in high school for preparation.



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