

WHERE CAN I GO?

Successful candidates should have an open mind and be prepared to complete a 10-12-month long exchange in any of our host countries. Each student will have the opportunity to list their top preferences, and the district committee will try to accommodate them. The selection of countries varies slightly from year to year. Rotary District 7070 currently has exchange networks with the following countries:

Finland, Norway, Sweden, France, Germany, Denmark, Brazil, Argentina, and Taiwan.

WHERE WILL I STAY?

Exchange students live with 2-4 approved host families, provided by your host country club.

On exchange you will learn to adapt to a wide variety of situations and learn to appreciate different perspectives. Host families are expected to treat you as a part of the family, and you are expected to adapt to their family style and routines. If challenges arise with your host family, you have a counsellor, host club, and home club for support.

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WHAT IS YOUTH EXCHANGE?

It's a worldwide program involving 80+ countries and around 8,000 students participating each year. The objective is to promote understanding and acceptance of different cultures around the world. It provides each participant the opportunity to experience an academic year abroad. The exchange program in District 7070 is 10-12 months long.

WHAT IS ROTARY?

Rotary International is a worldwide organization of community-based service clubs established in 1905 with the motto "Service Above Self". It has over 32,000 clubs in 168 countries with a total membership of over 1.2 million worldwide. The local clubs work to improve life at the local, national and international levels. Rotary District 7070 covers most of the Greater Toronto area, eastwards toward Belleville and Picton, and north to Alliston.

APPLICATION REQUIREMENTS

- 16-17 years old at time of departure in late August
- Full time secondary school student
- Canadian citizen
- In good health
- Recommended by their school
- Parental permission
- Open minded and eager to learn a new language and culture

HOW MUCH DOES IT COST?

You pay:

- \$4500. (\$500 refundable)
- All student Visa costs.
- Rotary-approved health coverage
- Emergency fund deposit ~\$500
- (remaining balance refunded if not used)
- Supplementary allowance and potential special activities and/or travel

Sponsor club provides:

- Pre-departure orientation for students + parents
- Youth Exchange blazer + shirt
- The hosting of an inbound student to make the "Exchange" possible
- Ongoing communication + support

Host club provides:

- School tuition, home(s) and meals
- Transportation to and from school
- A monthly allowance
- Rotary district and club events plus group events and activities with the other exchange students in the district
- A Youth Exchange Officer and a Counsellor at your host Rotary Club for support

*The above distribution of costs are typical for exchanges in our district. However, they may vary slightly depending on the country you go to.

You will have the opportunity to travel domestically within your host country with your Rotary club, district, or host family. Depending on the country, international travel may also occur.

HOW SCHOOL WORKS...

You will attend high school full time, integrating with your peers and learning the language. You may or may not take exams in your host country, since you will most likely not receive any credits for your year away. So, upon returning back to Canada after exchange, you will typically repeat one year of school.

RESTRICTIONS

- No drinking, driving, or drugs
- No serious dating
- No law-breaking

BE AN AMBASSADOR

Students on exchange are to be ambassadors abroad representing their home country, home club and community. This means being a respectful guest, being curious, and being engaged. This is a program that will challenge you and change your life for the better, forever.

HOW TO APPLY?

Applicants apply for exchange through a Rotary club near their home. To check where your closest Rotary clubs are, go to: my.rotary.org/en/search/club-finder It is important to note: not all Rotary clubs offer the Youth Exchange Program.

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