



HOW TO APPLY

Rotary Youth Exchange Scholarships consist of an application and interview process. Applications forms are available at <http://youthexchange.rotary9212.org> and must be submitted by the deadline date provided.

Once applications are received, students and parents will be notified of their interview date and time.

Scholarship winners will be notified by phone within 2 weeks of their interview date.

FOR MORE INFORMATION:

Youth Exchange Committee District 9212

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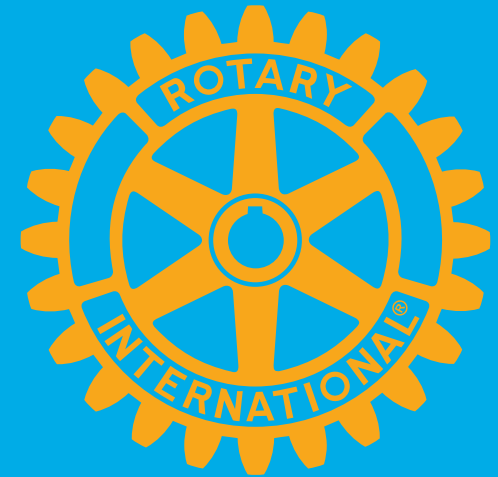
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WHAT IS ROTARY YOUTH EXCHANGE?

For more than 40 years, Rotary Youth Exchange has been one of Rotary's best-known programs. As an official program, it dates to 1975 — but by that time, Rotary clubs had already been sending students abroad for decades with the aim of promoting international understanding and friendship.

What the program offers to and asks of participants — an openness to new ideas and experiences, a willingness to adapt and to gain new perspectives, and an opportunity to make new friends and learn new ways of living — are the same values that define Rotary itself.

“The major goal of Youth Exchange is to dive into another culture,” says Rotary President Holger Knaack, who served as chair of the German Multi-District Youth Exchange; he and his wife, Susanne, have themselves hosted dozens of students.

TYPES OF EXCHANGES

Long term exchanges are for one academic school year during which you attend school and live with families in your host country. To gain a greater understanding of the culture, you will live with at least two, preferably three, host families during your stay. To ensure your safety, the host Rotary club conscientiously screens and selects all host families.

Short term exchange is considered a family to family exchange. The student will travel to another country and live with a family and their son or daughter for a month, and then travel back to host that son or daughter in their home for a month. This enables students who may not want to be gone a whole year, the chance to experience another culture for a month

STUDENT ELIGIBILITY

Rotary Youth Exchange programs are open to students ages 15-18, and one year remaining in high school.

To qualify, applicants should be above-average students who have demonstrated leadership in their community.

Candidates should also possess qualities such as flexibility and a willingness to try new things that will enable them to fully experience life in another country and become excellent cultural ambassadors.

Before, I would never be able to make a conversation with a person I didn't know. Now, I can proudly say it isn't like that anymore. I can go up to people. I have become more open, more mature.

Varda Shah, India

To meet up with my classmates and host families after 50 years has been simply amazing. Through Rotary Youth Exchange I had such a precious chance and a fabulous experience. Thank you.

Yoko Sekimoto, Japan