

Rotary Short Term Youth Exchange

The Rotary Short Term Exchange Program (S.T.E.P.) is an amazing learning opportunity. The local program is open to students ages 15 ½ to 18 ½ who live or attend school in Rotary District 7390, which includes 45 clubs and more than 2,300 members located in 7 Counties of Central Pennsylvania.



Youth Exchange Students become part of their host Families.

The District 7390 Youth Exchange Program involves a highly competitive application process. Application and information packets are available online at www.rotary7390.org. Students will need to send applications to a sponsoring club who will conduct a personal interview with each candidate. If approved, then applications must be sent to our D7390 office by **January 15, 2018** for the Summer of 2018 exchanges. Students are

strongly encouraged to apply as soon as possible.

District Level interviews will be held **January 27, 2018**.

For more information contact Tom Barton D7390 Short Term Exchange Program (STEP) Chairman at 717-771-2420 or Email: tbarton@trolaindustries.com.

Please visit our District website: www.rotary7390.org



Another beautiful day in Stresa Italy, with Lago (Lake) Maggiore and Isola (Island) Bella in the background.

Where Will You Be In The Summer Of 2018 ?



Italy, Brazil, Spain, Austria, Germany, Sweden, France, Belgium....?

**District 7390-Rotary Youth Exchange
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**For More Information & Application
Forms Please Visit:**

www.exchangestudent.org

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District 7390

Where will you be in the summer of 2018?

Paddling Lake Como in Italy or exploring the coast of Spain?? Or perhaps touring the Black Forest in Germany or visiting Copenhagen in Denmark? These adventures and others await students who participate in the Rotary Youth Exchange program, which typically runs late June through mid-August.



While on a youth exchange, U.S. students will discover what it is like to live in a foreign country.

Youth Exchanges Vary:

Youth Exchanges vary in length, group size and theme, depending on the host country and the structure of the exchange. For example, outbound students from Rotary District 7390 will stay abroad for three weeks with their host families. Foreign students then return with U.S. students. Each part of the exchange will last about three weeks for a total commitment of six weeks during the summer.



“This trip was amazing. It forced me to get out of my comfort zone, helped me with public speaking, and most importantly, helped me understand a different culture.”

Summer Program:

Past Rotary Youth Exchange programs included travels to Germany’s Black Forest region, northern Italy’s Lake District, Denmark, Sweden and Spain. Countries vary from year to year. Special trips are a matter of personal budget limits of each host family.

During youth exchanges, students learn about other cultures and customs. There is also time to have fun with students they meet in the host country. – Germany Youth Exchange

“The Rotary Exchange program in Germany was an awesome opportunity to experience a different culture, customs, absolutely beautiful scenery, and memories to last a lifetime.” — Germany Youth Exchange

Costs Vary Depending On Destination:

Basic food and lodging expenses are provided. Students are responsible for program fees, airfare and medical insurance, which can range from \$1,800 to \$3,200 depending on the destination, and any additional entertainment and emergency funding based on their

parents’ discretion. In previous years, an allowance of \$250 to \$500 has been sufficient.



Exchange students develop friendships with their host families. These friendships can span continents and last a lifetime.

Current Exchange Countries for 2018*:

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| Argentina | India |
| Belgium | Mexico |
| Colombia | Sweden |
| Ecuador | Taiwan |
| France | Germany |
| Iceland | Austria |
| Japan | Canada |
| Spain | Denmark |
| Switzerland | Finland |
| Turkey | Hungary |
| Australia | Italy |
| Brazil | Poland |
| Czech Republic | South Africa |
| England (UK) | The Netherlands |
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*List is subject to change.