



ROTARY INTERNATIONAL YOUTH EXCHANGE PROGRAM



1. THE YEAR-LONG PROGRAM

Selected High School students leave in August for a year's study at a high school in a foreign country. Each student will live with one or more families during their year. The students will return home in the following summer. Age requirement for the year long. Or LTEP, exchange program has a two year window, the year you leave on exchange you must be at least **16** years old by August 16 and cannot turn **18** before August 15. Countries we are presently exchanging with include:

Argentina	Croatia	Germany	Mexico	Sweden
Austria	Czech Republic	Hungary	Netherlands	Switzerland
Belgium	Denmark	Indonesia	Norway	Taiwan
Brazil	Ecuador	Italy	Poland	Thailand
Chile	Finland	Japan	Slovakia	
Colombia	France		Spain	

A typical family budget for an outbound student for a year long exchange involves some added expenses and some saved expenses. Here are some of these:

Added Expenses for the Exchange		Saved Expenses While Student is Away	
Confirmation Session – Dec Victoria	\$75-\$200	Food	\$1,000 - \$2,000
Orientation Session – March Victoria*	\$300	Car Insurance	\$1,000 - \$1,500
Student Blazer	\$0-\$80	Prom	\$100 - \$300
Flat Fee *see below for details of what is included	\$1,500	Sports Participation	0 - \$500
Plane Ticket	\$1,500-\$3000	Family Travel	0 - \$1,000
Monthly Allowance while abroad	\$0 - \$1,200	Monthly Allowance at home	0 - \$1,200
Travel while abroad	\$0 - \$2,500	Miscellaneous Costs	0 - \$2,000
Language Camp – varies with country	\$0-\$500		
Health Insurance	*		
Miscellaneous Costs	\$500-\$2340		
Passport	\$0-\$80		
Visa	\$100-\$500		
Gifts Pins, Flags, etc.	\$25 - \$300		
TOTALS	\$4,000-\$12,500		\$2,100-\$8,500

(There may be an additional cost for travel to obtain a visa in some countries – this may involve a trip for the student and a parent to San Francisco for an in-person visit to an embassy of the country.)

*Flat Fee includes: Business Cards, Health Insurance, Documentation (excluding Visa fee), Name Badge and flag patch, Youth Exchange shirt, Outbound Orientation (including students Saturday night dinner), Rebound Orientation

2. THE SUMMER PROGRAM, JULY - AUGUST (1 month here - 1 month overseas)

Selected High School students live overseas with a foreign student's family for approximately one month, and then return with the foreign student to live with his/her family here for approximately one month. Some areas reverse this by having the foreign student come here first, then both going overseas for the second half. Age requirements are much longer than the LTEP. Usually students range in age from 15 to 19.

The list of countries in this program changes from time to time; most are in Europe with a few in South America.

Estimated family budget for an outbound student for a summer exchange is approximately \$2,000.00 to \$2,500.00

3. HOST AN EXCHANGE STUDENT FOR THREE MONTHS

During the year an Inbound Foreign Student attends High School. He/she lives with 2- 3 families for approximately 3 to 5 months each. Host families normally live in the High School district to minimize transportation problems. The host families provide room and board for the inbound student. The inbound students receive a monthly allowance from the Local Rotary Club for incidental expenses. The inbound student also has a \$300 "emergency fund" and health insurance.

Anyone interested in becoming a host family for a Rotary exchange student or a Rotary Exchange Student should contact: