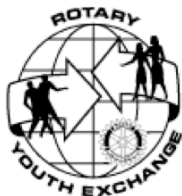


Send this form to the Rotary Club nearest to your home or school address, before 15th March.
For more information or to locate clubs, see www.rotaryyouthexchange.com.au.

To: Youth Exchange Officer

Rotary Club of _____

(TO BE COMPLETED BY APPLICANT)



**Rotary International
District 9750
ROTARY YOUTH EXCHANGE
PROGRAM**

Please attach
a recent good quality
head and shoulders
photograph
(approx 5 x 6.5 cm)

"SMILE"

If possible, the photograph
should be in colour,
and show you smiling

INITIAL APPLICATION

(Please PRINT using black ink)

Applicant

Name _____ Sex _____
Address _____
_____ Post Code _____ Telephone _____
Date of Birth _____ Place of Birth _____
Religion _____ Citizen of (Country) _____

Parents or Legal Guardians

Father's name _____	Mother's Name _____
Address _____	Address _____
_____	_____
Telephone _____	Telephone _____
Occupation _____	Occupation _____

Brothers and Sisters - Name	Sex	Age	Occupation	Living at Home
_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____	_____

if you have relatives living overseas, please advise where, and what relationship they have to you

PARENTAL OBLIGATION

We, the parents of the above named applicant, understand that we will be responsible to meet all of the obligations of the Rotary Youth Exchange Program as outlined in the information sheet accompanying this initial application form.

Date _____ Signed _____ and _____
(Father) (Mother)

APPLICANT'S PERSONAL BACKGROUND

(USE ADDITIONAL SHEETS WHERE NECESSARY)

Do you smoke? _____. Do you drink alcoholic beverages? _____. Have you ever been involved with drugs? _____.
Do you have a steady boy/girl friend? _____. (If Yes to any, give details, frequency etc)

How much time do you devote to studies? (Homework etc.) _____

Name and address of your school? _____

Number of students at your school? Number of grades?

When will you finish high school? After how many years at high school?

What languages have you studied and for how long? Are you able to speak and read these languages, and how well?

What responsibilities have you had at school and in the community? (clubs, offices, etc)

What recreation/hobbies do you have and what time do you devote to them?

Sporting and cultural activities (describing degree of ability in each)

What other information can you give to enable a better assessment to be made of your potential as an "Ambassador" for your country (achievements, awards, talents, etc)?

From this list of countries (Austria, Belgium, Brazil, Denmark, Finland, France, Germany, Italy, Japan, Norway, Sweden and Switzerland) give your preference for exchange: 1 2
3 4 5 Why?

Show any country from the list where you would not go

Why?

Have you travelled overseas? Yes/No - Where/When?

Do you have any dietary restrictions? Yes/No (If Yes, give details)

Do you have any medical conditions which may affect your exchange in any way? Yes/No (If Yes, give full details)

What medical or dental treatment have you required in the past year?

The information provided above in support of my application to join the Rotary Youth Exchange Program is complete and correct. I understand that any misleading information could exclude me from the Program.

Date Signature of applicant

Rotary District 9750

RULES AND GUIDELINES for ROTARY YOUTH EXCHANGE PROGRAM

1. *Schooling:*

The student must attend a secondary school assigned by the Host Rotary Club. The student is expected to take part in all school activities and studies must be taken seriously.

2. *Member of Host Family:*

The student is to become an active member in his/her host family, assuming duties and responsibilities normal to a student of his/her age.

3. *Laws:*

The student must obey the laws of the host country. Drugs (narcotics) possession and/or use is not permitted and any breach is a serious offence.

4. *Alcohol:*

Drinking of alcoholic beverages is not permitted (unless previously stated on the student's application papers).

5. *Smoking:*

Is not permitted (unless previously state in the student's application papers,) Host families will determine if and when smoking is permitted in their homes

6. *Sexual activity:*

Is not permitted. Steady romantic attachments are discouraged.

7. *Special Requirements:*

The student may certify that he/she has no dietary or physical restriction other than as shown on the student application papers.

8. *Travel:*

The student will be permitted to travel only with his/her host family or with proper adult chaperone or on Rotary sponsored activities. Independent travel outside the host district must be approved in advance by the host district chairperson, the host family, the host club counsellor, and by the student's natural parents, in writing. Backpacking and hitchhiking are expressly forbidden.

9. *Insurance and medical cover:*

The Rotary District 9750 Insurance Scheme covers students, to beyond the minimum RI requirements for the risks of i) personal accident injury and/or death; ii) funeral expenses; iii) travel; iv) loss of personal belongings; and v) personal liability. Insurance for medical and hospitalisation expenses may be provided in the hosting country and where a premium is demanded it must be paid by the natural parents.

10. *The parents of the student must provide:*

(a) Round trip airfare between home and the airport of final destination in the host country.

(b) Round trip freight expenses of accompanying and non-accompanied baggage.

(c) Insurance - see 9 above.

(d) All clothing for the student, including school uniforms.

(e) Misc personal expenses including postage and long distance telephone calls.

- (f) Contingency funds of not less than A\$400. This fund is to be used for travel, clothing and unexpected major expenses and similar needs incurred by the student. On arrival in the host country, this money will be banked in the student's name and to safeguard against impulsive spending, it is recommended the signature of the counsellor as well as the student be required for withdrawals. The bank balance should be replenished by the parents as funds are used.
- (g) The host district may authorise a chaperoned tour. Participation is optional and at the student's expense.

11. Accommodation:

The host family will provide full board and lodging at no cost to the student.

12. The Host Rotary club will provide:

- (a) Cost of education (unless waived by school).
- (b) Commuting fare between school and the host family's home.
- (c) Expenses *for any function or conference where the student is invited by Rotary*, along with any necessary transportation and accommodation.
- (d) Monthly allowance paid in advance of approximately A\$100. The allowance is to be used at the student's discretion.

13. Premature Repatriation:

The student shall be returned home at his/her parent's expense during the Exchange year if he/she:

- (a) Drives any motorised vehicle.
- (b) Is absent from school frequently without the consent of the counsellor.
- (c) Possesses and/or uses narcotic drugs.
- (d) Engages in sexual activities.
- (e) Damages in any way the image of Rotary.
- (f) Does not adapt to his/her new host environment.
- (g) Commits an offence against the law.

14. Public Speaking:

The student will be expected to speak on a number of occasions to Rotarians, service clubs, youth groups and school groups, etc.

15. Return date:

The student will return home at the conclusion of the program (just prior to the expiry of the 12 month visa). Travel between host country and home will be by the shortest and quickest air route with no stopovers.

16. Travel:

The District Committee will appoint a travel agent to organise all matters regarding travel to and from the host country. Such travel arrangements and directions are final. No private amendments or variations will be permitted and may result in immediate termination of the student's exchange program.