

Rotary Short Term Youth Exchange

The Rotary Youth Exchange Program is an amazing learning opportunity. The local program is open to students ages 15 to 19 who live or attend school in Rotary District 6910, which includes 65 clubs and more than 2,000 members in the North Georgia.



Youth Exchange Students become part of their host Families.

The District 6910 Youth Exchange Program involves a highly competitive application process. Application and information packets are available online at www.rotarydistrict6910.org. Students will need to devote time and effort to ensure their application best reflects their accomplishments. Students are strongly encouraged to apply as soon as possible. Applications are reviewed and interviews are held at the local Rotary Club level.

Selected candidates are then recommended for District level interviews. Application dates vary as do deadlines for fees. For more information and for application deadlines, call Burton Blackmar at 678-267-0203 or email him at Burton@Blackmar.us. Visit the website at www.rotarydistrict6910.org



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



Where will you be this summer?



Italy, Brazil, Spain, Germany, Latvia, Sweden or the Philippines

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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 6910 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, Latvia (eastern shore of the Baltic Sea), Philippines, Denmark, Sweden and Spain. Countries vary from year to year. Students from the U.S. will stay with host families.

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 Exchange 2007)

“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 \$1,500 to \$2,000 depending on the destination, and any additional entertainment and emergency funding based on their parents’ discretion. In previous years, an allowance of \$200 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 2012:

Austria	Belgium	Canada
Czech Republic		Denmark
Finland	France	Iceland
India	Italy	Germany
Japan	Mexico	Norway
Poland	Spain	Sweden
Switzerland		Taiwan
The Netherlands		Turkey