

Become a Rotary Youth Exchange Student – *The Greatest Experience of your Life!!*

As a Rotary Youth Exchange student in 2021, you will spend a year living with host families in another country, learning a new language; a new way of living – and a great deal about yourself.

You will be a young ambassador, helping to bring the world closer together – and making some good friends in the process. While you're busy learning, the people you meet will be learning – about your country, your culture, and your ideas.

What does the Program cost?

The Rotary District 9570 package estimated Global Fee of \$8,000 paid in instalments.

A family may spend an additional \$6,000 or more during the exchange, with the major expenses being the host country tour and clothing.

Parents – compared to maintaining your son or daughter at home for the year is that much different?

The 12 month Program provides the following:-

- Return Airfare from Australia to your host country
- Visas
- Comprehensive Travel and Health Insurance
- 12 months accommodation and monthly allowance
- Administration and support service for your year
- Selection day
- Two Orientation weekends
- Uniform, badges, business cards.
- Debriefing in January/February on your return

These are not included in the cost of the program:-

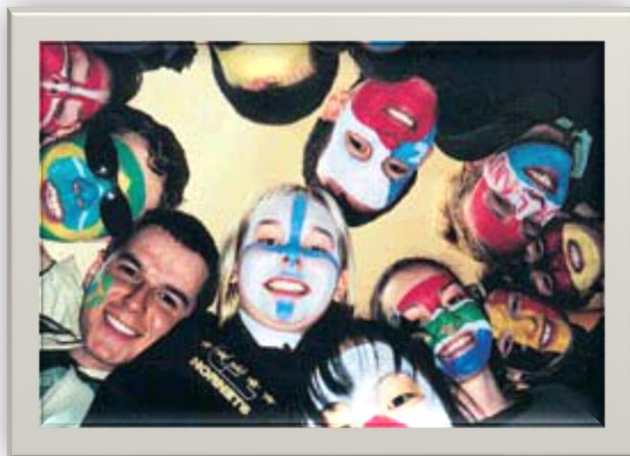
1. Travel to the Embassy for biometric test and interview if required.
2. Spending money (apart from the monthly allowance).
3. Language course online or in host country.
4. Student bus tour organised by host country
5. Special clothing
6. Gifts and souvenirs
7. Travel cost to Selection, Orientation weekends & Debrief

We also have a Short Term Program that runs for 6 weeks over the Summer School holidays

What are the requirements?

- Age between 15 and 17 years in January of 2021
- Satisfactory Academic record
- Maturity and strength of character
- Degree of adaptability
- Participation in community activities
- Good Family relationships and hosting availability
- Ability to communicate well with people
- Friendly Personality
- Knowledge of foreign Language or desire to learn

Following final selection by District 9570, students will have completed year 10, 11 or 12 and must be between 15 and 17 years on the day of departure for overseas in January 2021.



Where can I go? Students will be asked to list five of the following countries in order of preference – Belgium, Brazil, Czech Republic/ Slovakia, Denmark, Finland, France, Germany, Italy, Japan, South Korea, Sweden, Switzerland and Taiwan. Not all countries are available each year.

How the selection process works.

The student will be asked to complete an Expression of Interest form found at:

<https://www.ryea.org.au/apply-today.html>

You will receive information about finding a Sponsor Rotary Club. After your local Rotary Club interviews, and endorses your application, you will be registered and be given access to an application form.

Applications close: 20th April 2020

Selection interviews in Gladstone, - May 2020.

Orientation Weekends, - August & December 2020

Debrief upon return

If you're ready for a challenge, please contact your local Rotary Club or

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