



Do you want to do something **EPIC!?** Spend your Junior Year Abroad with Rotary Youth Exchange

WHO IS ELIGIBLE? High School Freshmen/Sophomores who will spend their Sophomore or Junior year going to school in an exchange country.

WHAT ARE THE QUALIFICATIONS? Good grade point average, friendly, outgoing personality, willingness to meet new people, experience different cultures, and share your own culture.

WHERE WILL YOU GO? Rotary District 5100 has exchange agreements with 20 countries, they are: Argentina, Austria, Brazil, Chile, Czech Republic, Denmark, Finland, France, Germany, India, Italy, Japan, Korea, Malaysia, Mexico, Peru, Switzerland, Thailand, Taiwan and Turkey. *NO COUNTRY IS GUARANTEED.*

WILL YOU NEED TO KNOW THE LANGUAGE? You do not need to know the language before you go, but it is strongly recommended that you study it before leaving. Most students become fairly proficient in the language after several months.

WILL YOU STILL GRADUATE? Yes. Your high school counselor will help you set up an academic schedule that allows you to graduate even though you miss your entire junior year.

WHEN WILL YOU GO? Students are normally selected in the Spring of their Freshman Year and will leave on exchange a year later in August. The 11-month exchange is usually spent with 3 host families. During the months prior to your departure there will be training sessions with other outbound students and the inbound students here from other countries

WHAT WILL IT COST? The biggest expense is the roundtrip airfare of about \$2,500-\$3,500. In addition, there is a \$1,650 program fee. Financial assistance is available for those who could not otherwise afford to go. The local Rotary club will give you a monthly allowance for expenses during your exchange.

Preliminary Applications are available at <http://www.portlandpearlrotary.org>

If you have questions, contact:

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