



ROTARY AUSTRALIA NEW ZEALAND STUDENT EXCHANGE 2016

EXPRESSION OF INTEREST FORM

DEADLINE: 30 June 2015

WHAT IS THE EXCHANGE?

The exchange runs between families in Australia and New Zealand during term 2 and term 3 of the school year.

A student in one country is matched with a student from the other country.

Each student spends one school term living in the other's home and attending their school.

In 2016, the Australian students will live in New Zealand for School Term 2, and in Term 3 the Students from New Zealand will live in Australia.

It is available to students aged between 13^{1/2} and 16 years on the 1st January 2016 (a Date of Birth between 1 January 2000 and 1 July 2002).

Each student is sponsored by a Rotary club.

The student's School must agree to support the Exchange.

QUALIFICATIONS REQUIRED

To participate in the exchange you should:

- Be a good average all round student with wide interests.
- Have a sound general knowledge.
- Have a responsible attitude.
- Be of good character.
- Have the ability to mix well.
- Have a willingness to enter fully into the Exchange.

Note: Sons and daughters of Rotarians are eligible to apply.

HOW WILL THE EXCHANGE BENEFIT THE STUDENT?

An opportunity to be away from home and be "independent" in a supervised environment.

The experience of being part of another family and attending another school in another country.

Personal development and growth.

Extends confidence and maturity.

Learning to budget and taking responsibility.

Academic progress can be continued.

HOW TO APPLY

This form must be returned to the address overleaf on or before 30 June 2015, or be presented at an Interest Meeting.

A full application form will either be sent out or handed to the applicant at the Interest Meeting. The full application form must be returned by 30 July 2015. **A non-refundable administration fee of A\$200 must be returned with that form.**

SELECTION PROCESS

Applicants and their parents will be interviewed by members of the sponsoring Rotary clubs. Suitable students are recommended to the District Youth Exchange Selection Committees.

The District Youth Exchange Selection Committee will interview all recommended applicants and their parents to select students to participate in the programme.

Acceptance to the exchange will depend on a suitable student match being available. It may

not be possible to match up every successful applicant.

A student will be a Rotary Australia-New Zealand Exchange Student (RANZSE) when a match has been achieved and there has been official notification. Official notification is on 1st December each year.

OBLIGATIONS OF STUDENTS

Students must obey the laws of the host country and accept the discipline of the host school and host parents.

Students must adapt to the home environment of the host family.

A student is an ambassador for their country and must at all times behave in a manner which reflects credibly on his or her family, community and country.

Students must undertake that while on the exchange they will not in any circumstances:

- drive a motorised vehicle;
- drink alcohol;
- take drugs;
- date.

Breach of these rules will result in the student being sent home early.

Students must return to their own home at the completion of the exchange.

GENERAL INFORMATION AND RULES

Sufficient funds (up to \$4,500) are required to cover airfares, compulsory insurance, 2 weekend camps and a safari tour; pocket money may be extra.

The Rotary District Youth Exchange Committee will arrange the compulsory insurance cover, return air travel uniforms and a week-long safari.

Each student will have a mentor/counsellor appointed from the Host Rotary Club to assist with issues that may arise while the student is away from home.

The hosting of the student is supervised by the Host Rotary Club.

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ARE YOU

Between **13½** and **16** years old on
1st January 2016

Interested in an **once-in-a-lifetime**
experience?

Interested in travel and promoting?

international understanding

Looking for a **challenge?**

Able to **adapt** to a new family?

Able to afford reasonable **costs?**

Then this
programme
is for YOU!



KEY DATES FOR 2016 EXCHANGE YEAR

Expression of Interest Forms Due	30 Jun 2015
Full Application Forms Due	30 Jul 2015
Australian Students Travel to NZ	3 Apr 2016
Both students return to Australia	26 Jun 2016
New Zealand students return home	18 Sep 2016

WHAT TO DO, HOW TO DO IT

Please read the information in this leaflet, fill out the form on the right, and post to:

Rotary Australia/New Zealand Student Exchange:
c/- District 9520 Chair Geoff and Robyn Oertel
PO Box 810, Strathalbyn, SA 5255

PLEASE RETURN THIS FORM BY 30 JUNE 2015

We then send you a full Application Form, which must be completed and returned to the address above by 30 July 2015.

If you would like more information, or to obtain a Student Application Form, please email:

District 9520 Chair Geoff and Robyn Oertel at
oertel1@internode.on.net or phone +61 8 8536 8024 mobile +61 411 056 255.

For further information visit www.ranzse.org

STUDENT DETAILS

I am interested in participating in the Rotary Exchange Program between New Zealand and Australia in 2016. My personal details are:

SURNAME: _____

First Names: _____

Home Address: _____

Phone (__) _____

Email Address: _____

Gender M F Date of Birth __ / __ / __

School: _____ Form/Year ____

Have you asked your school if they are happy for you to be involved in the Exchange?

This approval is required! YES NOT YET

Please contact me by telephone

Please send me the 2016 Application Form

FAMILY DETAILS

Father's name _____ Occupation _____

Mother's name _____ Occupation _____

Contact Phone Number (____) _____

Are any family members in Rotary?
YES NO

If so, which Rotary Club? _____

Student's Signature _____

Parents' Signatures _____

