

MAKE A WORLD OF DIFFERENCE



District 5160

Newsletter #1

July 2015

IMPORTANT DATES!

Key Inbound Student Dates:

- August 29-30 - Inbound Orientation
- September 15 - 1st Quarter Report Due
- September 25-28 – San Francisco
- October 30 – November 1 – SF 2.0

Key Outbound Student Dates:

- September – 2016-17 Outbound Interviews
- September 15 - 1st Quarter Report Due

Key Host Family Dates:

- August 29 – Host Family Orientation

Key YEO/Counselor Dates:

- August 30 – YEO/Counselor Orientation/Training

Key Club Dates:

- August – **Get your student involved!**
- January 1, 2016 – Interest Survey for Clubs interested in hosting an inbound student for 2016-17 and sponsoring an outbound student for 2017-18

All key **inbound student dates** (and details) for the 2015-16 exchange year can be found at <http://yex.rotary5160.net/inbound-students/2015-2016-trips>.

* The first 3 people who email the YEX Chair at yex@rotary5160.org with the subject line "Read it!" will get a special prize!!!

Inbound Orientation

When – August 29-30, 2015

Where – Sacramento, CA

This is a MANDATORY event for all 2015-16 inbound YEX students, host families and YEOs/Counselors...and establishes a foundation for the entire year.

This will be a fun weekend, where the students will meet each other, the YEX Committee for District 5160, rebound and ROTEX youth (students we have previously sent abroad and are back in the US).



First Night Questions

Although the first night questions may seem basic and/or silly...they are a great way to get your exchange year off to a great start. These questions should be used by EVERY host family during a student's exchange...not just the first host family. This link/url that will take the student and host family to the first night questions, translated in to ANY language - <http://yex.rotary5160.net/first-night-questions>



Club Visits

Our committee is committed to supporting all clubs and students in District 5160 and would LOVE to come and speak to your club. If you are interested in having someone from our team come and present on YEX to your Board or your entire club...we are happy to provide general presentations about the program and/or programs that specifically talk about getting YOUR club involved.



Counselors' Corner

Being the counselor for an inbound exchange student can be one of the most rewarding experiences a Rotarian can have! Helping to get your student involved with your club and with peers is a critical role you play. Here are a few ideas:

- Get your student involved in a sport, drama, music, or other group extracurricular activity at school
- Get your student involved in your local Interact club and have the exchange student do a very brief introduction of themselves
- Have your student act as greeter at club meetings and sit at a different table every time they attend a meeting (have them wear their blazer!)
- Invite your student to any/all service projects