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District 5160

**Newsletter # 10**

SUMMER 2020

**SPECIAL Newsletter**

This summer edition of the D5160 Newsletter is in honor of all our amazing inbound and Outbound students of 2019-2020 in this unprecedented year.

Special acknowledgement to every Host Family, Counselors/YEO officers, RYE Committee members and Rotary Clubs who support Rotary Youth Exchange even in the face of a pandemic.

As we move to the next year there are even more challenges for our Exchange program. We know you will stay involved in Rotex and help us maintain this exchange program opportunity for future students particularly those going on exchange in January 2021.

We are so glad you are all part of our Rotary Youth Exchange Family and look forward to being part of your future!



These are some photos and words from 2019-2020 students where-ever they may be at this time or of favorite times. It is amazing that even unpredictable world events can't stop RYE students from making the most of their exchanges and beyond!



**Getting Home is a Journey Too...**



**Matej, IB Czech Rep 19-2020**, far left, "...sending a picture of my family at the Vienna airport where I landed after 4 layovers".

**From Marcel IB Bolivia, 19-2020:**

Hi Rotary, It's Marcel from Bolivia.  
After living the most awesome experience in my life, i would like to thank you. You did this adventure possible and I really appreciate the beautiful moments that I had with you. Maybe i left the US, but you will never leave my heart.  
Now I'm in Bolivia good and healthy....

Thanks for everything!!  
Here are some photographs of happy moments that I had in the US.



First picture: left to right, Isabelle, Hailey, Marcel  
Second picture: left to right, Eric, Marcel, Madeline, Eliza and Zoe  
Third picture: left to right, Jihan, Marcel, Elizabeth and Sung at the camera



**Saying "Until Next Time" .....RYE Year 2020-2021**



**Goodbye Weekend Camping featuring RYE Inbounds in person and virtual!  
Huge thanks to Cory for the idea & trip!**



**Faustine, IB France 19-2020**, soaking up some sun on the beach at Biarritz, France after arriving home.





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**RYE  
Unforgettable  
Exchange Year  
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**Axelle, IB Belgium 19-20,** with three of her favorite RYE highlight photos.



**Inbounds, 2019-20, Lake Tahoe Sunset,** Nevada, February 2020.



**Starting out! RYE Inbounds 2019-2020!**



**Malachy OB Czech Rep 19-2020,** is 2nd from left, foreground. Saying goodbye on their way home from Prague.

Hello everyone, I am back to Belgium and everything is so different. I was in Redding with 104 degrees and now I feel like it's winter.. The streets are different, the landscapes are different, the cars are different, even people are different. I don't realize I'm home yet but I'm getting used to the idea. Anyways, I just wanted to thank everyone that made this year an amazing experience! I will never forget and I will always have other families and friends in the United States and all over the world! ♡ I miss you guys, Axelle

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**Madeline, OB France 19-20,** says "Its' good to be home!" on a California beach.



**Ingelise, OB Taiwan 19-20,** Arrives home!



**Kiky, IB Taiwan 19-2020,** glamorous at home in beautiful Taiwan,

**From Darcy, OB 19-2020 Austria.**

"This year has been anything, but what I had imagined it would be... It has been so much better and has really strengthened me as a person and opened my eyes to so many new ideas and opportunities. I am so thankful that I had so much support through both of my amazing host families, Rotary Austria, and my exchange student groups. Keeping in touch with my group of Outbounds has helped me get through some sticky situations with their amazing advice...

...As part of me is excited to come back home to see everyone, I will very much miss my life here in Austria as it has really been the most challenging and amazing year of my life. I hope to come back in the near future."



**From Darcy, OB Austria.** Oma Isma had made us masks during quarantine and here we are modeling them. Pictured is Elena, Ylvie, Eveline, me, and Fritz's mask.



**From Darcy, OB Austria.** Eating lunch when skiing at Annaberg. Pictured is Ylvie, Hansi, Elena, Maggie, me, and Alex.