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District 5160

Newsletter #1

August 2019

IMPORTANT DATES!

Key **Inbound Student** Dates:

- Sept 15 – 1st Quarter Report Due for 2019-2020 students
- October 11-13 – San Francisco Trip! Details soon from Cory...

Key **Outbound Student** Dates:

- September 15 – 1st Quarter Report Due for 2019-20 students

Key **YEO/Counselor** Dates:

- Monthly reports due: 15th of each month

Key **Club** Dates:

- September – **Get your student involved!**
- **Start looking & referring Outbound Students for the 2020-2021 year to the Outbound application page.**

****All key inbound student dates and, event details** for the 2019-20 exchange year can be found at yex.rotary5160.net/inbound-students/2019-2020-trips.

Student Travel Policy

Many students, host families, and YEOs/Counselors can be confused about who needs to be approved to travel with the student, at what level, and by whom. The RYE Committee is sharing the travel policy here with the intent of covering 95% of all travel and overnight situations for our students. **The chart below provides some basics.**

Student travel is welcomed as part of the Rotary Youth Exchange program for an Inbound Youth Exchange student during an exchange year. The policy's purpose is to ensure the safety of the student and ability to contact them in an emergency. **It is critical that travel plans are approved** by the exchange program. If in doubt, contact a member of the committee. **Our full travel policy is provided at the Inbound Orientation, but it can also be found online at: <http://yex.rotary5160.net/host-families/travel-policy>.**

Type of Travel	You need approval from...	Specific Area of Travel
Local Travel	Host Family	Travel within area student spends majority of time
Regional Travel	Host Family AND Counselor	Examples: camping trips, ski trips, club-sponsored activities or service projects, sports or school trips, and Host Family vacations.
Extended Travel	Host Family, Counselor, Natural Parents, District 5160 Youth Exchange Committee AND approved Request for Student Travel Form **	ANY out of state travel and/or the use of air travel. ** Request for Student Travel Form <u>must</u> be submitted no less than 45 days prior to date of departure

**Link to the Travel Form:

https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSesci2vWtG1MNun_RIGkYVvGqX1PMxGHw1ali-LprA7xa9yA/viewform?c=0&w=1



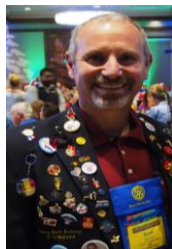
Interact Club Involvement



Getting your student involved with a local Interact Club can be a great way to help them engage with peers at school and build interest for both future host families and future outbound students. **If your high school has an Interact Club, it is MANDATORY, that your student joins that club!** An easy way to get our inbound students to see each other and get involved with peers from their school is by encouraging them to attend the events on the calendar this year. Check the website in a few weeks for current information. <https://www.interact5160.org/>

RYE Committee Ch-Ch-Changes

The RYE committee welcomes back our own **Scott Gerbert** after a short sabbatical. We are very happy to have his awesome expertise and support!



To meet our 2019-20 committee please visit our web site: <http://yex.rotary5160.net/committee-members>



Bucket Lists

At the inbound orientation, every student created a "bucket list" of things they hope to see, do, try, eat, etc., while they are in the USA. It is NOT the expectation that the students will complete these "bucket lists", but we have found that these lists are GREAT conversation starters and easy ways for local Rotarians to engage with the students.

The lists, historically, have ranged from: "I want to ride a horse", to "I want to touch snow for the first time", to "I want to go to a high school American football game.

Check out the lists at: <http://yex.rotary5160.net/inbound-students/bucket-lists>.

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First Night (and Second Day) Questions ????

RYE students may wonder or stress with starting discussions in their host language about everything from family routines, meal times and laundry duty to those potentially awkward topics like bathroom sharing rules and how to work out problems. Wouldn't it be great if there were a way to make this easier? Actually, there is!

The "First Night Questions" are what you're looking for! The idea is to go through the questions together within the first few days of exchange with each host family (actually the questions can be pulled out anytime for a communication boost).

Hey COUNSELORS – don't feel left out! There are also "Second Day Questions" where you can share about yourself, your Rotary Club and other logistics regarding your student's exchange!

Find both at: <http://yex.rotary5160.net/first-night-questions>

2019-20 Inbound Orientation – August 2019



(Left to Right) New Inbounds (IB) and Counselors learning more about their exchange. The girls goofing off a bit. Jacob (standing), Rotex 2018-19, shares tips and the "scoop" on his exchange. Some Icebreaker fun! The whole group of IB's with Rotex Lexi and Jacob (back row far left and far right)

First Days of OUR Inbound (IB) 2019-2020 Students!



Matej (IB 2019-20, Czech Republic) left, welcomed by Counselor and friends. He is hosted by the **Vacaville Rotary Club.**



Ching Kang "Kiky" (IB 2019-20, Taiwan) third from left, welcomed by Counselor and friends. Hosted by the **Burney Rotary Club.**



Axelle (IB 2019-20, Belgium) center, welcomed by her Host family and Rotary friends. Hosted by the **Redding East Rotary Club.**



Anna (IB 2019-20, Austria) second from left, welcomed by her Host family and a Rotex! Hosted by the **Benicia Rotary Club.**

Out and In!!



Returning 18-19 Outbound, Noelle (L), Austria with Jennifer Griggs, Chico Rotary Club and new 19-20 Outbound Ingelise (R) on her way to Taiwan!



Love (IB 2019-20, Sweden) second from left, welcomed by Host families, Counselors and Rotarians. Hosted by the **Woodland Rotary Club.**



Faustine (IB 2019-20, France) welcomed by Counselors and Rotarians. Hosted by the **Mt. Shasta Rotary Club.**



Artur (IB 2019-20, Brazil) welcomed by Counselor and friends. Hosted by the **Concord Rotary Club**

Marcel Toro Delgado (IB 2019-20, Bolivia) will arrive soon. He is hosted by the **Davis-Sunrise Rotary Club.**



Crysta, 2019-20 Outbound (fourth from left) to Brazil welcomed by her Host Family!