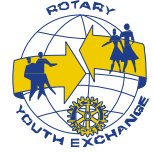


Rotary District 5930 Youth Exchange



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THOUGHTS ON BEING A HOST FAMILY

WHAT DOES IT TAKE

- A heart: large enough to share a portion with a child from another land for year.
- A mind: open to the different life and culture that the student will bring with him, open to accepting him for his differences and not only for his similarities.
- Time: to share with the student, especially in the first days of the exchange before school starts.
- A share of laughter and gaiety to shrink the problems which may come up and to strengthen the bonds of communication. (From an AFS Booklet)
- Just as there is no perfect exchange student there is no perfect host home. Each young person who comes to us from abroad is an individual; each family is different. But just as there are criteria which make it more likely that a student will be a good exchange student, there are criteria which make a family more likely to provide an enjoyable and beneficial experience for the Exchangee.

NEEDED

- Warmth: an easy affection within the family and respect for all members by all members.
- Breadth of interests: a real curiosity about things outside the home. Not necessarily busy or intellectual, for many student will fit into a more quiet and simple atmosphere.
- Flexibility: the family must be secure and confident enough to be able to adapt their rules to make room for individuals.
- Humor: a laugh often brings perspective to a problems this is assuming undue proportions.

HOST FAMILY CRITERIA

- Motivation: the family must be realistic about why they want an Exchange student in their home; not because they think it is something they should do; not as a solution to the families domestic problem; not out of desire for prestige or social acceptance. All members of the family must want the student. One uncooperative sibling could make for an unhappy experience.
- Health: if there is a serious emotional or physical problem in the family the extra strain of adjusting to a student could make for a difficult situation.
- Family income: there are expenses involved and the family must feel comfortable in meeting these.
- Room arrangements: the student must have a bed of his own and if he shares a room it should be with a child of similar age who would have similar hours.
- Transportation: A student may not drive, so the family must be willing to see that he or she gets to various activities.
- Religion: Differences in religion is rarely a problem, but the family must be prepared to respect beliefs of others and not require participation in their religious life.

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- Chores: The Exchangee should not be treated as a special guest. The value of the program is the acceptance of both students and hosts that the student will be one of the family and not receive any special attention. It is expected that the Exchangee will perform chores as do the other children in the family.

POTENTIAL PROBLEM FAMILIES

- The Rigid Family: Success is less likely if the family has fixed ideas about household routine, recreation, cleanliness and habits of others.
- The Busy Mother: Some of the busiest have the most time.
- Young Couples: It may be difficult for young parents to provide the "secure authority" so important for a young person.
- Childless Families: A couple without children often find it difficult to adjust to a teenager unless through outside activities or work they have had much contact with young people.
- Busy or Traveling Families: Evening shifts, or much traveling or social responsibilities may pose a problem.
- Sibling Rivalry: This problem will only manifest itself after the Exchangee is in the home.

WHAT ELSE?

- The first host family should write the Exchangee and include pictures of the family and home. It is important to give the impression of that the student is welcome.
- What to call the parents?: Sometime first names, often "mom" and "dad", never "Mr" and "Mrs". Whatever is comfortable.
- Relations with the school: Host parents, especially the first family, should be involved in school activities. Course changes may be necessary after the student is aware of the courses assigned to him. Host parents must assure the Exchangee become involved in the "right crowd" at the school. Report cards should be discussed.
- Explain the household rules. See Suggested Welcome Letter with Rules and List of Expectations for questions, which may be addressed in explaining the rules.
- It is important that the Exchangee go directly to the first host family. (In contrast to the Exchangee spending the first week with the counselor.) Students frequently form such a strong attachment to the first family that a second adjustment during the first few weeks is difficult. It is important the mother or father be available at home much of the time until school begins. The difficulty of the first weeks in a strange country with a strange family must not be compounded by long periods of being left alone.
- Occasionally some student placements do not work out and the student must be moved ahead of schedule. When this occurs, it is usually a question of compatibility and should not be a judgment of either the family of the student. This change should cause no sense of embarrassment or feeling of failure on the part of the family involved.

Closing *The host family and the club counselor are the key to a successful exchange.*

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TAX INFORMATION FOR HOST FAMILIES

Q: How much may a host family deduct from their taxes for hosting an Exchange student, and under what circumstances?

A: \$50.00 for each month that the family hosts the Exchangee. Hosting for 15 days or more in a month is considered as hosting for a full month. Families may deduct \$50.00 for each summer month when there is no school provided that they have hosted the Exchange student during at least one school month. Families that host Exchange students only during the summer months when there is no school may not claim the \$50.00 deduction.

There must be a written agreement between the host family and the host Rotary club for the hosting of the Exchange student.

SOURCE:

IRS Publication 526, "WHAT IS DEDUCTIBLE?" page 2 and IRS Regulations 1.170A-2, Feb 19 1980.

Paraphrased:

- Deduct \$50.00 a month
- Can not be dependent or relative
- Written agreement (with Rotary)
- To provide educational opportunities
- Full time student in 12th or lower grade
- Member of host family household
- Host at least 15 days a month
- No deduction if you receive compensation
- Will qualify as a charitable contribution
- Must spend money for well being of Exchangee (food)

Consult Tax Advisor and the IRS

Reviewed by a CPA in July 1992.

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Questions and Answers a Family May Ask About Hosting Rotary Youth Exchange Students

1. **Who are they?** High school age students (15-18-1/2 , usually 16 or 17 from a variety of countries around the world, both boys and girls.
2. **Do they speak English?** Yes, although they may need a little time to adjust to our East Texas accent and "special terms".
3. **What kind of families do they come from?** All kinds, although most parents will be business and/or professional people. Often one of their parents is a Rotarian.
4. **How long would a student stay with us?** Usually 3-3 1/2 months, although the period may be shorter or longer if you and the Host Rotary Club agree on it. Students usually come in August just before school starts, change host families soon after Thanksgiving, and change again about the beginning of March. They normally go home in June, although sometimes they participate in one of two available Rotary sponsored three-week tours (Eastern States or Western States) and go home in July.
5. **Do they ever stay longer than this?** No. Their visa is good for one year only and they must return to their home country before they can come back to the United States.
6. **Why do students change host families in this program?** There are several good reasons. First, it exposes them to a variety of ways of family life in our country so that they get to know our culture better and with as little bias as possible. A second reason is that if you and your student don't happen to match personalities too well, then 3-3 1/2 months of "tip toeing around each other" is about all anyone can stand. This isn't usually a significant problem, but it can happen; and it doesn't have to be the case that you or the student is a "bad guy". On the other hand, if the match between you and your student is really good, then more than 3-3 1/2 months produces a bond that hurts too much to break.
7. Students expect to change host families; they've been told. Sometimes host families want to keep them longer than the assigned period. But a good deal of experience has shown that all things considered, it's usually best to change.
8. **Who meets our student when he/she arrives at the airport?** As many of the first host family as is reasonable, and the Counselor or some other representative of the Host Rotary Club should be there. The first host family should also write to the student before they arrive and welcome them to the USA, to Texas and to their home. A small welcoming gift at the airport also helps a lot to make the student feel welcome. A token is enough - even flowers for girls, a correspondingly simple gift for boys.
9. Photos should be made of the student with the host family when he/she arrives at the airport and a copy should be sent to the student's home family. The student should also be encouraged to phone home as soon as possible to inform the home family of a safe arrival. By the way, the student is expected to pay for his/her own long distance charges.
10. **By the way, what is a "Host Rotary Club"?** The Rotary Club in your community serves as host club for your "inbound" student. Among other responsibilities, they provide an allowance for your student (\$50- 100 per month) and one of them with knowledge about the program will serve as Counselor for your student. The counselor will meet the student either on arrival or very soon thereafter and assist

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him/her in getting enrolled in school. He/she will also maintain contact with your student and make sure he/she gets the allowance, usually monthly.

11. **What else does the Counselor do?** Although the Club Counselor is advocate for your student, he/she also serves as a resource for you in case some situation develops which either you don't know how to handle or which is a bit too tedious for comfortable direct confrontation. In other words, the Counselor serves as a "go between" for you and your student on matters which are awkward for either you and/or your student. The Counselor "takes the heat" either direction! It makes things a lot more peaceful around your house! Wouldn't it be nice if you had one for your own children?
12. **And what if we don't have children, or they are still small, or they are already gone?** Strangely, it doesn't seem to matter very much. Like everybody else, exchange students come with preconceived notions about the characteristics of the best host family, children, no children, small children, children of the same age, etc... But at the end of the year, they usually think the host families they had were the right ones.
13. **If we have children in our family, who "looks after" our exchange student?** Nobody! And everybody! Your exchange student lives as a member of your family, has the same care from and responsibilities to others as any other family member. This includes chores, rules of the house, curfew, kind of friends - same as any other child in the family.
14. No child in the host family should be expected to "look after" the social life of your student, take him/her along every time they leave home to see a friend, etc. They should treat their exchange brother/sister like other brothers and sisters.
15. **What about transportation to school, and other places? Will our student expect to drive our new BMW?** Absolutely not!!! Indeed, Rotary Exchange Students are not permitted to operate any motor powered vehicle - automobile, motor boat, tractor, motorcycle, whatever. **Rotary is absolutely emphatic about this rule.** Violations are grounds for getting sent home early.
16. **So how will our student get to and from school?** Any of the usual means is fine. They can walk, ride the school bus, ride with your son or daughter or another school friend if you approve. Some host parents drive their exchange students to and from school as they may do or may have done with their own. Whatever is reasonable, safe and works for you is good.
17. **What about other places our student needs or wants to go? Can't this transportation thing get to be a headache?** If it does, it doesn't usually hurt as much as you think. If your student needs to go to a special school event, someone is just about always going who would take them; if they need to go to a store to buy something, they can usually go with one of the host parents at a time when they happen to be going anyway. Keep in mind that a teenager's needs for transportation are not usually urgent; they can usually be worked into the family schedule. And besides, family togetherness is the essence of this experience.
18. Two often overlooked solutions to transportation problems are legs and bicycles; and most of our exchange students are much more familiar with these modes of transportation than Texans. Also, walking and riding a bike are not against Rotary rules.
19. **Speaking of transportation, what about family trips, etc?** Take your student any place you would take your children, especially family trips to see the relatives, on family outings, vacations, etc. If you

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must make a trip considered inappropriate for your student, "board him/her out" with friends or relatives. If you don't have any handy, call the Rotary Counselor; he/she will just about always know some responsible family who would be delighted to keep your student for a few days while you are gone (Often one of your student's other host families is glad to do it.)

20. **Are there rules about trips our student takes?** You bet! They must either be with you or else approved by you and the Rotary Club Counselor. Often Rotary families will volunteer to take some student along on trips to see something special or some special place they might otherwise not see. If you and the Counselor approve, that's fine. In any case, if your student makes a trip anywhere, you should know all about it and approve; if he/she makes a trip overnight, out of town, the Rotary Counselor should also know and unless it's with you, be asked to approve.
21. The Counselor should always know how to reach your student. Think of what you would want for your child if they were living in another country for a year.
22. **Will our student have any sort of obligation to the Rotary organization while they are here?** Yes. Several activities will be scheduled during the year for your student along with other Rotary Youth Exchange Students. Most of these are on weekends, but your student may miss, some school for such activities. Rotary Exchange Students are obligated to attend some meetings which require them to be gone for two or three days. For example, there is an overnight Orientation Meeting for them in September, an overnight "Fall Outing", usually in November, an optional weekend meeting (two nights) in February, a weekend (two nights) Rotary District Conference in April and an Exit Interview Get-Together in May or early June (two nights).
23. From time-to-time your student will also be invited to local Rotary Club activities and to some meetings. In fact, he/she will be asked to speak at one or more Rotary Club meetings, usually the local club, but sometimes in another community. If it's out of town, a Rotarian will accompany your student, and of course, provide transportation.
24. **Won't all these activities interfere with school?** Not much. Exchange students have been selected and are usually very good students academically, often a little ahead of their age group here. And besides, except for often exceptional improvement in language for those who haven't spoken much English, their chief gain will be an understanding of the "American Culture" rather than academic advancement.
25. **Well, just what is the purpose of this program, anyway; why are we doing this?** The overall objective of the Rotary Youth Exchange Program is to promote good will and better understanding among the people of the world, and thereby make our whole world a better place in which to live. For the student, it is a life changing experience; it broadens their perspective in a way that nothing else can and it develops self confidence that will enable them to feel at home and comfortable in almost any environment.
26. For host families, it is a milestone in the family experience, and often the acquisition of a new family member. It removes anxiety and fear of the word foreign, and indeed, usually relegates the use of the word to "things" rather than "people". Everyone involved begins to feel that they are a part of a community much larger, more comprehensive than what they perceived before.
27. **Well, these are very noble ideals, but someone has to ask - How much is this going to cost me?** If you happen to have a son or daughter who goes to another country as a Rotary Youth Exchange Student,

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it comes out even. In fact, you probably will get ahead, because chances are your son or daughter drives a car, which they can't do as an exchange student, and the associated savings in auto insurance, etc. may more than offset the cost of the exchange. (In Rotary, this is only the cost of the trip over, insurance, etc.) But in any case, it's not much.. Most families throw out more food than even a hungry teenager will eat.

28. As already noted, the Rotary Club will give your student an allowance and your student's own family (overseas) is expected to pay for clothing and such. To put it in usual terms, you will be expected to furnish room and board - that is, a bed in your house and meals with the family. This includes a school lunch, either sent to school or bought in the school lunch room.
29. If the family goes out to eat, to a movie, or whatever, then your student is treated as a member of the family - same rules about what to and not to order, and with his/her cost as a part of the family bill. But if your student goes to the movie or out to eat with his/her school friends, they pay with their own money from the Rotary Club allowance or from home. The same is true for film, developing, etc. Around the house, your student would surely use the family soap, and maybe toothpaste, but buy their own toothbrush, lipstick and hair spray. You can generalize from these examples. But if in doubt, ask the Counselor.
30. **Now that cost has come up, what about medical expenses, the flu, accidents, etc.?** Your student has insurance for medical expenses, including accidents, and life insurance as well. It's required, and he/she will have proof. Any expenses not paid by insurance are paid by his/her own parents back home.
31. An emergency fund will be maintained by your student in a local bank. The Rotary Counselor will assist in setting up the account and in monitoring it. He/she, as well as your student, will have access to these funds in case of an emergency. But your student should be encouraged to manage his/her own money; it's part of the experience.
32. **Is there anything else we need to know about money?** Well, you can get a \$50 per month reduction on your Federal Income Tax Return for hosting a Rotary Youth Exchange Student!
33. **And how do we deal with the 50 million things we forgot to ask about?** Just use the same common sense you would use with children of your own. But don't forget, the Rotary Counselor works for you, too. When in doubt, ask!
34. **A cold chill just came over me; what if our student turns out to be that one in a million who "takes drugs" or is alcoholic or something?** Call the Rotary Counselor at once when you suspect a problem. He/she will know how to handle it. In the unlikely event this should happen, your student will be sent home immediately, period. The Rotary Counselor keeps your student's passport and (required) return trip ticket during the entire exchange, for safe keeping, yes, but also for such emergencies.
35. **Now that it's come up, are there any other reasons why our student might be sent home?** Yes, of course there could be a serious accident or illness, and flagrant violations of such Rotary rules as operating a motor vehicle can do it. A serious love affair that is getting out of hand can do it. But it's pretty unusual for anything so serious to occur. Rotary Youth Exchange Students are selected and given careful orientation and counseling before they leave home. They and their parents know "the rules" and they sign agreements to follow them. They also sign a release for medical treatment, etc. With very rare exception, Rotary Youth Exchange Students are very fine and honorable young people that you would be glad to adopt as your own.

Contacts and additional resources

www.Rotary.org

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www.SouthTexasYouthExchange.org



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Host Family Application / Affidavit

Host Father

CBC / VeriFYI _____ Date _____

Personal Information / Host Father									
Full Name: (Last) _____ (First) _____ (Middle) _____							Date _____		
Address: _____									
City: _____						State _____		Zip _____	
Social Security No (only upon request): _____							Gender: M <input type="checkbox"/> / F <input type="checkbox"/>		
Home # () _____			Business # () _____			Fax # () _____		Cell # () _____	
Date of Birth (yyyy/mm/dd) _____		Email address _____				Drivers License (only upon request): State DL issued _____			
Foreign Language _____		Country of birth: _____							
Are you a Rotary Member?				YES <input type="checkbox"/>	NO <input type="checkbox"/>	If yes, club name and District # _____			
Organizations / clubs?				YES <input type="checkbox"/>	NO <input type="checkbox"/>	If yes, list all past & current _____			
Have you ever been convicted of or plead guilty to any crime(s)?				YES <input type="checkbox"/>	NO <input type="checkbox"/>	If yes, describe in full. Include date(s) of crime(s) and in which country and state each took place. (Attach separate sheet if necessary) _____ _____ _____			
Have you ever been subject to any court order involving any sexual, physical or verbal abuse including but not limited to any domestic violence or civil harassment injunction or protective order				YES <input type="checkbox"/>	NO <input type="checkbox"/>				
Personal References									
<i>Please list three personal references (not relatives and not more than one former or current Rotarian)</i>									
Full Name: _____			Relationship: _____						
Address, City State, Zip _____						Phone: () _____			
Full Name: _____			Relationship: _____						
Address, City State, Zip _____						Phone: () _____			
Full Name: _____			Relationship: _____						
Address, City State, Zip _____						Phone: () _____			
Employment History (5 years – please attach additional sheets, if necessary)									
Current: _____						Phone: () _____			
Address, City State, Zip _____				Supervisor: _____					
Previous: _____						Phone: () _____			
Address, City State, Zip _____				Supervisor: _____					
Please tell us your main reason for wishing to participate in the Rotary Youth Exchange Program. (Please attach additional sheet if necessary)									



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Host Mother / Partner

CBC / VeriFYI _____ Date _____

Personal Information / Host Mother - Partner

Full Name: (Last) _____ (First) _____ (Middle) _____			Date _____	
Address: _____				
City: _____			State _____	Zip _____
Social Security No (only upon request): _____				Gender M <input type="checkbox"/> / F <input type="checkbox"/>
Home # () _____		Business # () _____		Fax # () _____ Cell # () _____
Date of Birth (yyyy/mm/dd) _____	Email address _____		Drivers License (only upon request): _____	
Foreign Language _____	Country of birth: _____		State DL issued _____	
Are you a Rotary Member?		YES <input type="checkbox"/>	NO <input type="checkbox"/>	If yes, club name and District # _____
Organizations / clubs?		YES <input type="checkbox"/>	NO <input type="checkbox"/>	If yes, list all past & current _____
Have you ever been convicted of or plead guilty to any crime(s)?		YES <input type="checkbox"/>	NO <input type="checkbox"/>	If yes, describe in full. Include date(s) of crime(s) and in which country and state each took place. (Attach separate sheet if necessary) _____ _____ _____
Have you ever been subject to any court order involving any sexual, physical or verbal abuse including but not limited to any domestic violence or civil harassment injunction or protective order		YES <input type="checkbox"/>	NO <input type="checkbox"/>	

Personal References

*Please list **three** personal references (not relatives and not more than one former or current Rotarian)*

Full Name: _____		Relationship: _____		
Address, City State, Zip _____		Phone: () _____		
Full Name: _____		Relationship: _____		
Address, City State, Zip _____		Phone: () _____		
Full Name: _____		Relationship: _____		
Address, City State, Zip _____		Phone: () _____		

Employment History (5 years – please attach additional sheets, if necessary)

Current: _____		Phone: () _____		
Address, City State, Zip _____		Supervisor: _____		
Previous: _____		Phone: () _____		
Address, City State, Zip _____		Supervisor: _____		

Please tell us your main reason for wishing to participate in the Rotary Youth Exchange Program. (Please attach additional sheet if necessary)



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Household

Volunteer History with Youth - Host Father (please attach additional sheets, if necessary)

Organization Name		Director's Name		
Address		City	State	Zip
Telephone		Position	Dates Held	
Previous Organization Name		Director's Name		
Address		City	State	Zip
Telephone		Position	Dates Held	

Volunteer History with Youth - Host Mother - Partner (please attach additional sheets, if necessary)

Organization Name		Director's Name		
Address		City	State	Zip
Telephone		Position	Dates Held	
Previous Organization Name		Director's Name		
Address		City	State	Zip
Telephone		Position	Dates Held	

Prior Residence: (If less than five years at current residence)

Prior Address:		How Long at this address?		
City		State:	Zip / Postal Code:	

Have you been a Host Family in the past?	YES <input type="checkbox"/>	NO <input type="checkbox"/>	If yes, where and when:
Do you have pets inside your home?	YES <input type="checkbox"/>	NO <input type="checkbox"/>	If yes, list all types:
Have any Family members traveled abroad? If so, tell us whom and where they traveled.	YES <input type="checkbox"/>	NO <input type="checkbox"/>	
Name and Address of School student will attend:			
Family Hobbies / Special Interest:			

List children and others living in home full or part-time (please attach additional sheets, if necessary)

Name	Gender	Age		Name	Gender	Age

Please tell us your preferences:

Academic Year (Host 3 – 4 months)				YES <input type="checkbox"/>	NO <input type="checkbox"/>	Short Term (Host 3 – 6 weeks)				YES <input type="checkbox"/>	NO <input type="checkbox"/>
Would you Prefer	Boy <input type="checkbox"/>	Girl <input type="checkbox"/>	Either <input type="checkbox"/>	Do you have a preference when you would like to host?							
				Fall <input type="checkbox"/>	Winter <input type="checkbox"/>	Spring <input type="checkbox"/>	Summer <input type="checkbox"/>				
Will the student share a bedroom?				YES <input type="checkbox"/>	NO <input type="checkbox"/>	If yes, with whom?					



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HOST FATHER / MOTHER - PARTNER

Rotary District____ is committed to creating and maintaining the safest possible environment for all participants in Rotary activities. It is the duty of all Rotarians, Rotarians' spouses, partners, Host Families and any other volunteers to safeguard to the best of their ability the welfare of and to prevent the physical, sexual, or emotional abuse of children and young people with whom they come into contact.

WAIVER / CONSENT/ RELEASE

I certify that all of the statements in this affidavit, and in any attachments hereto, are true and correct to the best of my knowledge. I also certify that I have not withheld any information that would affect this affidavit unfavorably, if disclosed. I understand that any omission of facts or misrepresentation will result in my elimination from consideration for any volunteer position with the **Rotary District 5930** Youth Exchange program or its affiliates. I further certify that I understand that **Rotary District 5930** Youth Exchange program's intent is to deny a position to anyone convicted of a crime of violence or a crime against another person.

I hereby authorize **Rotary District 5930** Youth Exchange, VERIFYI and/or its Service Provider to request and receive any and all background information about/concerning me, including but not limited to my Criminal History, Social Security Number Trace including a consumer report under the **Fair Credit Reporting Act, 15 U.S.C 1681**, Driving Record, Employment History, Military Background, Civil Listings, Educational Background, Professional License from any Individual, Corporation, Partnership, Law Enforcement Agency, and other entities including my Present and Past Employers. The Fair Credit Reporting Act states that any access to credit history must be disclosed to the applicant. **The background check program verifies the Name, SS# (upon request) and DOB** with the Credit Bureau Equifax, therefore the Fair Credit Reporting Act rules apply. **This search will NOT access or disclose ANY financial history or personal information not applicable to the criminal history report.** I understand that this information will be used to determine my eligibility for a volunteer position with the **Rotary District 5930** Youth Exchange program. I also understand that as long as I remain a volunteer with **Rotary District 5930** Youth Exchange, the criminal history records check may be repeated as deemed necessary. I understand that I will have an opportunity to review the criminal history report and that there is a procedure available for clarification, if I dispute the record as received.

I waive any right to assert that such an investigation or request constitutes an invasion of my privacy. I recognize that such inquiries are in the interest of all persons involved in the **Rotary District 5930** Youth Exchange program, and I fully consent to such investigations.

IN CONSIDERATION of my acceptance and participation in the Youth Exchange program, I, to the full extent permitted by law, hereby release and agree to save, hold harmless and indemnify, all members, officers, directors, committee members and employees of the participating Rotary Clubs and Districts, and of Rotary International ("Indemnitees"), from any or all liability for any loss, property damage, personal injury or death, including any such liability which may arise out of the negligence of any of the Indemnitees, which may be suffered or claimed by me as a result of an investigation of my background in connection with this affidavit or participation in the Youth Exchange program.

I further agree to conform to the rules, regulations, and policies of Rotary International, the **Rotary District 5930** Youth Exchange program and its affiliates, and understand that my service can be modified or terminated, with or without notice or cause, at any time, at the option of either the **Rotary District 5930** Youth Exchange program or its affiliates, or at my option. I understand and agree that the **Rotary District 5930** Youth Exchange program or its affiliates may, in their sole discretion, decline to accept my application for volunteer services with or without cause.

I ACKNOWLEDGE THAT I HAVE READ AND UNDERSTAND THE ABOVE AFFIDAVIT, WAIVER, CONSENT AND RELEASE, AND THAT I SIGN THIS FORM VOLUNTARILY.

Signature of Applicant (Host Father)

Print (Host Fathers name)

Date

Signature of Applicant (Host Mother-Partner)

Print (Host Mother-Partner name)

Date

In-home Interview conducted by:	Date:	Host Father Initial
		Host Mother Initial
Rotary Club Youth Exchange Action taken	Accepted Host 1 / 2 / 3	NO <input type="checkbox"/> Date:
Notice sent to applicant	YES <input type="checkbox"/>	Date:



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Host Family Member / Affidavit

Addendum(s) 18 years or older

CBC / VeriFYI _____ Date _____

Host Family Applicant		Relationship to Applicants household	
Personal Information / Host Family Member – Completed for each additional adult (18 years or older) living full or part-time in the home of the applicant (s)			
Full Name: (Last) (First) (Middle)			Date
Address:			
City:		State	Zip
Social Security No (only upon request):			Gender: M <input type="checkbox"/> / F <input type="checkbox"/>
Home # ()	Business # ()	Fax # ()	Cell # ()
Date of Birth (yyyy/mm/dd):	Email address		Drivers License (only upon request):
Foreign Language	Country of birth:		State DL issued
Are you a Rotary Member?	YES <input type="checkbox"/>	NO <input type="checkbox"/>	If yes, club name and District #
Organizations / clubs?	YES <input type="checkbox"/>	NO <input type="checkbox"/>	If yes, list all past & current
Have you ever been convicted of or plead guilty to any crime(s)?	YES <input type="checkbox"/>	NO <input type="checkbox"/>	If yes, describe in full. Include date(s) of crime(s) and in which country and state each took place. (Attach separate sheet if necessary) _____ _____ _____
Have you ever been subject to any court order involving any sexual, physical or verbal abuse including but not limited to any domestic violence or civil harassment injunction or protective order	YES <input type="checkbox"/>	NO <input type="checkbox"/>	
Personal References			
<i>Please list three personal references (not relatives and not more than one former or current Rotarian)</i>			
Full Name:	Relationship:		
Address, City State, Zip	Phone: ()		
Full Name:	Relationship:		
Address, City State, Zip	Phone: ()		
Full Name:	Relationship:		
Address, City State, Zip	Phone: ()		
Employment History (5 years – please attach additional sheets, if necessary)			
Current:	Phone: ()		
Address, City State, Zip	Supervisor:		
Previous:	Phone: ()		
Address, City State, Zip	Supervisor:		



Rotary District 5930 Youth Exchange

Host Family Member 18 years or older Affidavit

Rotary District 5930 is committed to creating and maintaining the safest possible environment for all participants in Rotary activities. It is the duty of all Rotarians, Rotarians' spouses, partners, Host Families and any other volunteers to safeguard to the best of their ability the welfare of and to prevent the physical, sexual, or emotional abuse of children and young people with whom they come into contact.

WAIVER / CONSENT/ RELEASE

I certify that all of the statements in this affidavit, and in any attachments hereto, are true and correct to the best of my knowledge. I also certify that I have not withheld any information that would affect this affidavit unfavorably, if disclosed. I understand that any omission of facts or misrepresentation will result in my elimination from consideration for any volunteer position with the **Rotary District 5930** Youth Exchange program or its affiliates. I further certify that I understand that **Rotary District 5930** Youth Exchange program's intent is to deny a position to anyone convicted of a crime of violence or a crime against another person.

I hereby authorize **Rotary District 5930** Youth Exchange, VERIFYI and/or its Service Provider to request and receive any and all background information about/concerning me, including but not limited to my Criminal History, Social Security Number Trace including a consumer report under the **Fair Credit Reporting Act, 15 U.S.C 1681**, Driving Record, Employment History, Military Background, Civil Listings, Educational Background, Professional License from any Individual, Corporation, Partnership, Law Enforcement Agency, and other entities including my Present and Past Employers. The Fair Credit Reporting Act states that any access to credit history must be disclosed to the applicant. **The background check program verifies the Name, SS# (upon request), and DOB** with the Credit Bureau Equifax, therefore the Fair Credit Reporting Act rules apply. **This search will NOT access or disclose ANY financial history or personal information not applicable to the criminal history report.** I understand that this information will be used to determine my eligibility for a volunteer position with the **Rotary District 5930** Youth Exchange program. I also understand that as long as I remain a volunteer with **Rotary District 5930** Youth Exchange, the criminal history records check may be repeated as deemed necessary. I understand that I will have an opportunity to review the criminal history report and that there is a procedure available for clarification, if I dispute the record as received.

I waive any right to assert that such an investigation or request constitutes an invasion of my privacy. I recognize that such inquiries are in the interest of all persons involved in the **Rotary District 5930** Youth Exchange program, and I fully consent to such investigations.

IN CONSIDERATION of my acceptance and participation in the Youth Exchange program, I, to the full extent permitted by law, hereby release and agree to save, hold harmless and indemnify, all members, officers, directors, committee members and employees of the participating Rotary Clubs and Districts, and of Rotary International ("Indemnitees"), from any or all liability for any loss, property damage, personal injury or death, including any such liability which may arise out of the negligence of any of the Indemnitees, which may be suffered or claimed by me as a result of an investigation of my background in connection with this affidavit or participation in the Youth Exchange program.

I further agree to conform to the rules, regulations, and policies of Rotary International, the **Rotary District 5930** Youth Exchange program and its affiliates, and understand that my service can be modified or terminated, with or without notice or cause, at any time, at the option of either the **Rotary District 5930** Youth Exchange program or its affiliates, or at my option. I understand and agree that the **Rotary District 5930** Youth Exchange program or its affiliates may, in their sole discretion, decline to accept my application for volunteer services with or without cause.

I ACKNOWLEDGE THAT I HAVE READ AND UNDERSTAND THE ABOVE AFFIDAVIT, WAIVER, CONSENT AND RELEASE, AND THAT I SIGN THIS FORM VOLUNTARILY.

Signature of Applicant
(Host Family Member-18 years or older)

Print Name of Applicant
(Host Family Member-18 years or older)

Date