Program Rules & Condition of Exchange

In consideration of the opportunity afforded to me by Rotary International District 5010 and my sponsoring Rotary Club to be an international exchange student for one year, I agree to the following:

- 1. After submitting my application and before departure, I will attend the January Outbound Orientation and the Spring Outbound Orientation.
- 2. I will devote whatever time is necessary *before departure* to learning the essentials of the language spoken in my host country.
- 3. I will speak with my school counselor regarding my high school graduation requirements prior to departure. I understand that I may not receive full credit for my foreign class studies and may have to attend an additional year of high school in my home country to graduate.
- 4. I will use the designated travel agency approved by the District 5010 Youth Exchange Committee. I understand all travel to and from my host country must be in confirmed reservation status only, and not standby. All tickets will be full-fare, with an open return date, valid for one year.
- 5. I will obey all of the laws of the host community and country and conduct myself in a manner to reflect credit to myself, my family, and my country.
- 6. I will communicate with my Youth Exchange Officer (YEO), in writing or via computer, monthly and provide detailed quarterly reports to my Outbound Coordinator.
- 7. I understand optional host country travel and incidental living expenses (extra-curricular school activities, entertainment, postage, phone calls, clothing and personal items, etc.) will be my personal responsibility.
- 8. If I experience problems and/or concerns in the country to which I am assigned, and they cannot be resolved with the host YEO or Counselor, I will contact my Outbound Coordinator and my sponsoring YEO for help and direction.
- 9. I will complete my exchange term (normally 11 months abroad) and fulfill all the requirements of the hosting Rotary District and Club. If I return home early for cause or without completing the requirements of my hosting District, I understand I may be terminated from the D5010 Youth Exchange Program.

10. After my return:

- i. I will notify my YEO of my return.
- ii. I will meet with my YEO to give a "debriefing."
- iii. I will give a report/presentation to my sponsoring Rotary Club.
- iv. I will help Rotary Youth Exchange as reasonably requested (recruiting, presentations, etc.)
- v. I will continue to participate in Rotary Youth Exchange for one year including attending Fall Orientation (September) upon my return home from exchange.

11. I understand that violation of any of the *Rotary International Rules and Conditions of Exchange* or the *D5010 Program Rules and Conditions of Exchange* may result in my being eliminated from the program at any time prior to my departure or may result in my early return.

Financial Policy

District 5010 uses a flat fee that covers travel to/from hosting country, insurance, visas, blazer, personal cards, name badge, pins, etc and rebound orientation in September. Students are provided with free room and board, their education at no cost, and a modest allowance while in the host country (generally around US \$50). Costs for mandatory language camps, host country identification, host country insurance, etc are included in the flat fee and may be prepaid by the District 5010 Youth Exchange Committee. The flat fee does not include the cost of obtaining a passport, a required emergency fund of US \$500, optional country excursions, and incidental living expenses.

Three equal payments are due:

- December 1st with the long-Form Application
- March 15th
- June 15th

If the student does not go on exchange, withdrawing from the Youth Exchange Program for any reason, the following refund policy will take effect:

- 10% of flat fee will be retained by Rotary if student withdraws after December 1st (submission of Long-Form Application)
- 20% of flat fee will be retained by Rotary if student withdraws after Winter Orientation
- 30% of flat fee will be retained by Rotary if student withdraws after Spring Orientation
- 50% of flat fee will be retained by Rotary if student withdraws after May 1st.

Having read and understood the above rules, we each agree to abide by these rules and understand that any violation may result in abrupt termination of the exchange, and we further agree that the host Rotary Club and host Rotary District shall have final authority in enforcing these rules and any other rules which may be imposed with due notice.

Signed* (Applicant)	
Signed*(Father/Guardian)	
Signed*(Mother/Guardian)	
Dated this, 20,	