

Rotary District 5010 Alaska Inbound Exchange Student

SECOND DAY QUESTIONS FOR DISCUSSION WITH YOUR ROTARY CLUB Y.E. COMMITTEE

The following are some questions that can help you learn about your host Rotary Club and what they expect of you. They are suggestions only. You and your Youth Exchange Officer/Counselor should discuss anything that you think is important. The simplest questions may be the most important, such as "when does Rotary meet?".

When you are in a new country with questionable language skills, it is best not to assume anything, but rather, to ask. We suggest you discuss the items most important to you as soon as possible. You can discuss the other questions as they seem necessary.

About your Counselor / YEO:

- 1 Tell me a little about yourself and your family.
- 2 Tell me a little about your Rotary Club history.
- 3 What is the difference between a YEO and a counselor?
- 4 How long have you and your club been involved with Rotary Youth Exchange?

Emergency:

- 5 What is your contact information?
- 6 Who is my emergency contact?
- 7 How do I call for emergency help?
- 8 In case my YEO/Counselor is not available, who are my alternate contacts?
- 9 Are all the police available for help or are there different types of police?

Club Policy:

- 10 Am I invited / expected to attend all Rotary meetings?
- 11 How often should I go to Rotary meetings?
- 12 When and where does the Rotary Club meet?
- 13 Who should I go with? Can I go alone?
- 14 Can I be the greeter at the Club for my first few Rotary meetings?
- 15 Am I allowed / expected to talk when I attend Rotary meetings?
- 16 How long am I allowed / expected to talk?
- 17 When can I schedule my presentation of my country in the Rotary Club?
- 18 Are there other Rotary clubs in town? If yes, can I attend those meetings?
- 20 Who should I contact in case I want to go to one of these Rotary Club meetings?
- 21 How should I dress for Rotary meetings? Casual / smart? Blazer?
- 22 What other events are there where I should wear my blazer?
- 23 Are there any Rotary groups for young people in town?

- 24 Can I join these groups?
- 25 Who can introduce me to them?
- 26 What are the different projects our Rotary Club organizes and when they do them?
- 27 Am I allowed to earn spending money?
- 28 When are the mandatory orientation weekends or meetings I need to attend?

Money / Allowance:

- 29 How and when will I receive my monthly allowance from the Rotary Club?
- 30 How much is my monthly allowance?
- 31 When and where am I going to give the money for emergency fund?
- 32 What are things the Rotary will cover/pay for me? Such as activities or hobbies/school programs/books?
- 33 Should I open a bank account here in your country?
- 34 Does the ATM charge me a fee each time I withdraw cash?
- 35 Are there better banks than others that I should use?

School:

- 36 Who is going to show me the way to school on the first day and introduce me to the principal and school staff?
- 37 Are there any language tests I will have to pass to remain here?
- 38 Am I required to have passing grades in school to remain here?
- 39 Who can excuse me if I miss school for a Rotary event/meeting?

Host families:

- 40 Will I have more than one host family?
- 41 Do you know all of my host families?
- 42 When will I be able to meet them?
- 43 Whom should I call when I have problems with my host family?

Getting around:

- 44 What is the Club's policy on my travelling around the area?
- 45 Am I allowed to travel to other towns nearby?
- 46 How far am I allowed to go by myself?
- 47 How does the public transportation work (bus, subway, train)?
- 48 Am I allowed to travel by train or bus alone?
- 49 What is the best way to travel around the city without asking my host parents to drive me around?
- 50 Will a car stop for me when I want to cross the road?
- 51 What are the general social rules in the city?
- 52 What is the best place to go shopping for clothes, souvenirs or gifts?
- 53 Where is a good area for people my age to pass time and meet new people?
- 54 Are there places in the City that I should avoid to be safe?
- 55 Where is the post office?