

Rotary District 5220 Short-Term Youth Exchange 2024 – 2025

Do you know of a student who would be a good ambassador for Rotary and the USA?

You'll spend three weeks with your host family where you'll be immersed in the culture and language of the region. After your three weeks in Germany (near Stuttgart-, the capital and largest city of the German State of Baden-Wurttemberg [Stuttgart-Wikipedia](#)), your host sibling will return to California with you for three weeks where it's now your turn to show them what life in California is about!!!

German Students typically can speak English at age 16 and are anxious to speak English with the US student and the US host family. The German and USA Youth Exchange Officer and Host Family will be available to the student if they need help. District 5220 has had many successful exchanges with the same German counterpart for over 15 years without any problems.

WHO: Students, 16-18 years old on July 11, 2025, that are interested in foreign travel, learning about other cultures, meeting new friends and willing to try new things that will enable them to fully experience life in another country. These students don't need to be related to a Rotarian, but can be a son, daughter, grandchild, niece, neighbor, Interactor or RYLA student as long as they live in District 5220. Don't let a student you know miss this opportunity!

WHERE: Students will go to Germany (Rotary District 1830 & 1930), which includes the capital city of Stuttgart known as the manufacturing hub including Mercedes Benz and Porsche headquarters and museums. Popular parks include Wilhelma is one of the largest zoos and botanical gardens in all of Europe.

WHEN: July 11 US students travel to Germany and return on August 5, 2025 from Germany to USA with German students. German students return on Tuesday August 26, 2025. The exact dates will be arranged by the host districts. The timing is an attempt to provide 3 full weekends in each country.

OUTINGS: District 5220 is planning two joint US and German student daytrip outings together to San Francisco and Yosemite and the Germans are also planning two joint daytrips in Germany.

WHY: Introduce the student to the international community and build lifetime friendships. It will "super charge" the students education and their personal growth.

ESTIMATED COST:

Round-trip airfare Germany:	\$2,000 Estimated
Travel Insurance:	\$125 (estimated)
Rotary Activity Fee:	\$550 (frequently paid by sponsoring Rotary Club)
All Travel Documents:	Passports, etc.
Personal Spending Money:	\$200+ suggested

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Applications can be found at <https://rotary5220.org/youth-service/>