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ABOUT OUR AGENCY AND THE ROTARY DEPARTMENT

- Over 65 years in the travel industry
- Full-service agency offering leisure, corporate, group and meeting travel services
- Over 30 years arranging Rotary Youth Exchange travel and documentation
- Three full-time agents dedicated to Rotary Students and their parents





SERVICES PROVIDED TO ROTARY STUDENTS

- Step-by-step, easy to follow instructions for completing visa or residency permit documents
- Air tickets that meet Rotary requirements
- Toll free number for students and parents to receive advice and ask questions
- Extended hours of operation during the summer months



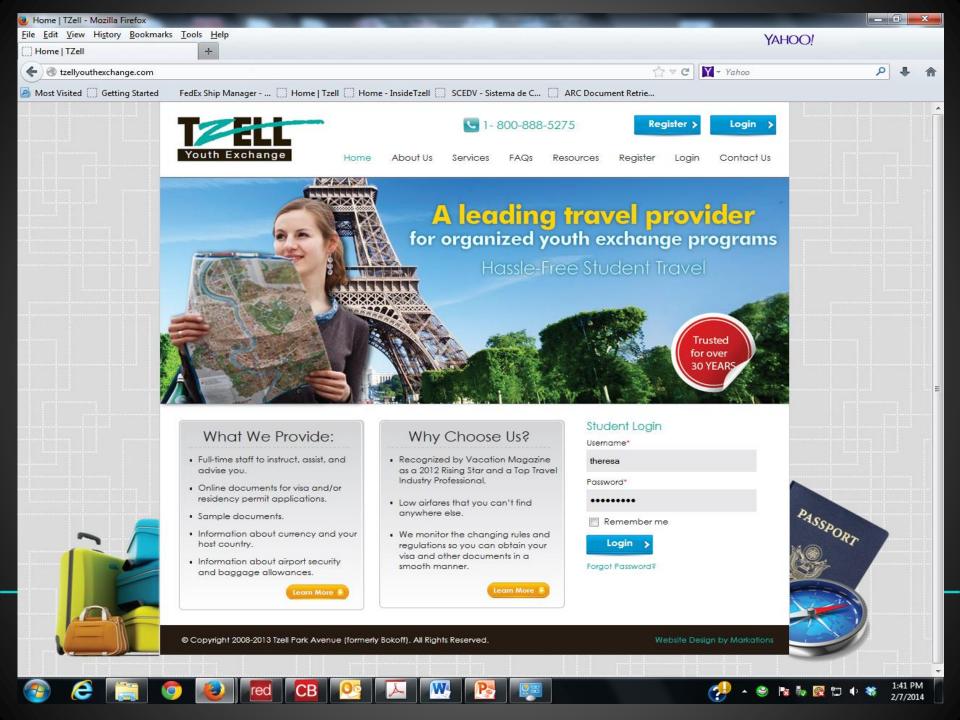
HOW TO REGISTER



Go to our website: www.tzellyouthexchange.com

Click on the link for "Registration"





WHAT IS A VISA?



A visa is official permission from a foreign government to enter that country and stay for a specified period of time



 Requirements vary country by country and consulate by consulate

 Consulates have the ability to change visa requirements and fees at any time





PERSONAL APPEARANCE VS.

APPLICATIONS ACCEPTED BY MAIL PERSONAL APPEARANCE APPLICATIONS BY MAIL

- Student sends photocopies of ALL documents by fax or email
- Once agent reviews, student is sent info for setting appointment/going to Consulate
- Under 18 must be accompanied by adult
- May be requested any time

- Student sends ORIGINALS of ALL documents, including passport by courier
- Once agent reviews, documents are sent to the appropriate Consulate
- Agent will notify student of any problems or when visa is approved and received back



RECEIVING DOCUMENTS ONLINE

• Email with individual username and password will be sent after student registers online

• CHECK YOUR ACCOUNT OFTEN FOR UPDATES



COMPLETING DOCUMENTS

 Read through everything before beginning to fill out any papers

Use your full name as it appears on your passport



DOCUMENTS

- Some documents will require notarization; if you do not know a notary public look for one in the yellow pages (www.yellowpages.com)
- If biological parents do not reside together, two separate forms may be completed and notarized separately
- Many (but not all) Consulates require submission of the applicants birth certificate.
- (www.vitalchek.com)



Sign all documents in blue ink

 Print out a copy of all documents you complete to keep at home

Use your document checklist



ADHERE TO DEADLINES!





PASSPORT

- ALL students will need a valid passport in order to travel
- Must be valid for at least 6 months from your expected date of return
- Sign full name in blue or black ink only





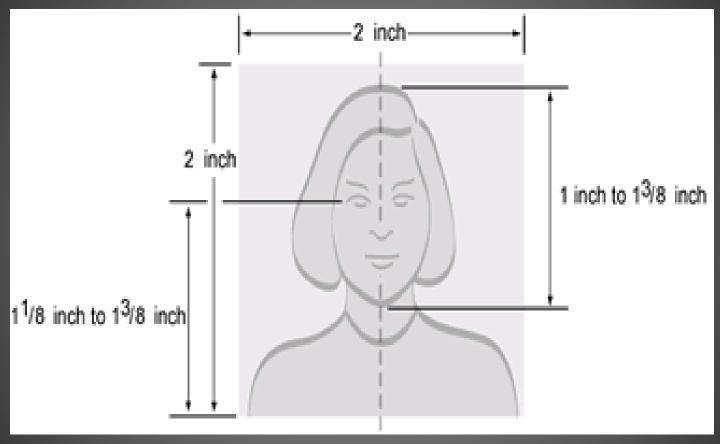
PASSPORTS



- Parents should have a valid passport in case an emergency arises
- Always send
 passports through
 traceable mail



VISA APPLICATION PHOTOS





APPLICATION PHOTOS (PASSPORT SIZE &QUALITY)

- Do NOT submit your own digital photos
- Do NOT submit class photos, family photos, snapshots or other "personal" photographs
- Save yourself (and us) time and go to a local drugstore, WalMart, or other retail location that takes PROFESSIONAL PASSPORT PHOTOS



ACCEPTABLE PHOTOS

NON- ACCEPTABLE PHOTOS













ROTARY GUARANTEE FORM

- Your official acceptance from your host country
- This is NOT your visa application form
- Sent from the host country to Rotary in the US
- Do NOT wait for this form to arrive before sending us your other documents

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Rotary Youth Exchange Program: Guarantee -2-



AIRLINE TICKETS

- Round trip
- Valid for one year

 Returns will changeable; at either no fee or a nominal fee charged by the airline.





ITINERARIES

Expect longer layovers

Airlines determine the routing

• If a group departure is available to host country, agent will always fit student's schedule to meet others traveling on same day/to final destination



TRAVEL INFORMATION

- Itinerary and fare rules will arrive via e-mail shortly after visa or other travel documents have been received or their arrival has been guaranteed
- Read fare rules CAREFULLY and ask questions BEFORE signing and returning



DEPARTURE PACKETS



- Once e-tickets have been issued and electronic departure packet will be sent.
- Contents will include final travel itinerary, packing, travel and security information



CHECK-IN BAGS

- 1 Bag at 50 pounds, 62 inches; 2nd bag at cost
- Overweight bags and additional pieces of luggage will cost extra
- Smaller US domestic and foreign planes and carriers may have different requirements





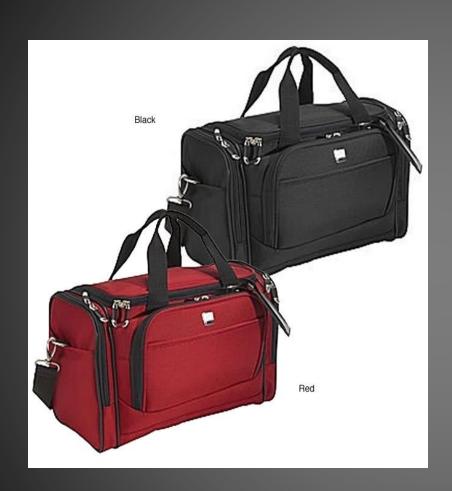
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AIRLINES RESERVE THE RIGHT TO CHANGE BAGGAGE ALLOWANCES AND FEES AT ANY TIME!





CARRY-ON BAGS



- One per passenger plus one "personal item"
- Typical carry-on baggage allowance ranges from 26-40 lbs and no larger than 45 linear inches.



HOW TO PACK

Make a list and stick to it

Leave valuable or sentimental items home

- Pack comfortable, loose fitting clothes that match the weather and climate of your host city/country
- DO NOT PACK TOO MUCH!!!!



IN YOUR CARRY-ON, YOU SHOULD HAVE....

- Host family and chairman's telephone number
- Prescription medications
- Toothbrush and a change of clothing
- Any documents required to apply for or finish the visa process as well as any documents required by Rotary



3-1-1 for Carry-Ons

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KEEP IMPORTANT ITEMS WITH YOU AT ALL TIMES!

- PASSPORT
- BOARDING PASSES
- CASH
- CREDIT / DEBIT CARDS
- PHONE CARD/PHONE





CHECK-IN AT AIRPORT

Plan to check in 3 hours prior to flight

 Be sure baggage tags are completed with HOST families address

Do NOT lock your suitcases for check in



WEAR YOUR ROTARY BLAZER WHILE IN ANY AND ALL

- It will help other
 Rotary students and
 your host family
 recognize you
- Customs and Immigration officials will know what you are doing in their country





SECURITY INFORMATION

All bags are subject to inspection

 Do not carry sharp objects such as scissors, pocketknives, or metal fingernail files in your carry on bags

 No inappropriate remarks regarding bombings, weapons or hijackings will be tolerated



WHAT TO DO IF YOU MISS YOUR PLANE



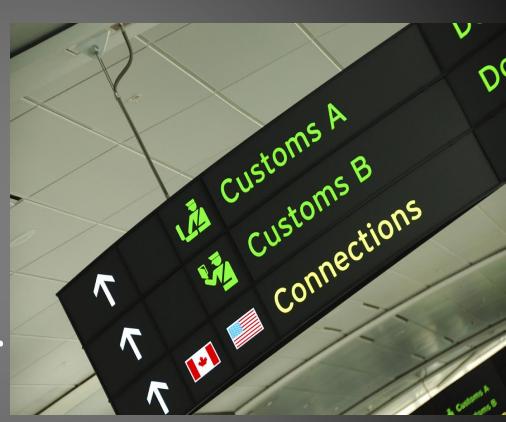
- Remain calm and polite
- Ask to be booked on the next available flight
- Contact parents



CUSTOMS & IMMIGRATION

 Be sure your immigration card is completed

 Answer questions to the best of your ability





RETURN INFORMATION

- Email sent to parents and students that contains:
 - Return instructions
 - How to determine your date
 - Copy of Fare Rules
 - Reminder to CONTACT TZELL WITH A RANGE OF ACCEPTABLE RETURN DATES BY FEBRUARY 15TH of NEXT YEAR.



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