



North American Youth Exchange Network 2017-2018 Achievement Awards

Purpose

The North American Youth Exchange Network (NAYEN) Recognition Program will recognize individual Districts participating in a variety of activities which cumulatively help create strong programs.

Goal

NAYEN sees these Achievement Awards as a means to nurture development of and cultivate participation in Rotary Youth Exchange (RYE) programs.

Evaluation Period

Data is to be provided for the 2017-18 Rotary year.

Recognition Levels

Gold: 500 or more points; Silver: 400-499 points; Bronze: 300-399 points.

In order to be eligible for the Gold Award you must have paid your NAYEN dues in 2016-17 or 2017-18.

Recognition Benefits

- Receipt of an Achievement Award is a special recognition of the great efforts by the members of the District Youth Exchange Committee and the Rotarians in the participating clubs. Such recognition provides an opportunity to highlight the great successes of the program and enhance its growth with the District.
- A personal Letter for the NAYEN President will be sent to the District Governor of each Achievement Award recipient highlighting the recognition.
- The Achievement Award recipients will be listed on the NAYEN's website, in the NAYEN newsletter, and an article submitted to the RI Youth Exchange office.
- An emblem depicting the applicable Achievement Award will be provided to each recipient for display on their website, official correspondence, etc.
- Practices documented in the application process will be distributed to the RI Youth Exchange community in general for the benefit of all.

How to Apply

Please answer each of the questions below and enter the appropriate number of points for each category. Email the completed form to Becky Fontaine to the following address: bfontaine@wamail.net. Forms must be received no later than March 2, 2018. Awards will be presented at the conference in Omaha, Nebraska, March 15-17, 2018.. **Applications should not be longer than 6 pages including this cover/instruction sheet. Handwritten applications will not be accepted.**

North American Youth Exchange Achievement Awards

District Information

District # _____ # of Clubs in District _____ # of Clubs in RYE _____

YE Chair _____

Email Address _____

Mailing Address _____

Phone Number _____

Geographical Area _____

District Governor _____

DG Email Address _____

Our district has paid our dues NAYEN dues for 2016-17 or 2017-18? ____ Yes ____ No

Strengthening Involvement and participation in NAYEN

_____ Score 10 points if 1 or more representatives of your district YE committee attended the 2016-17 NAYEN Conference in Calgary, Alberta, Canada.

_____ Score 10 points if 1 or more representatives of you district YE committee attended the RI Youth Exchange Preconvention in 2017 or any other regional YE Conference such as ABIJ or EEMA.

_____ Score 20 points if your district is currently hosting the North American Youth Exchange Conference.

_____ Score 10 points if 1 or more representatives of your district YE team are providing active leadership to the 2017-18 NAYEN Conference in Omaha, Nebraska (such as Sgt. at Arms, panelist, committee chair, speaker, conference committee member).

_____ Score 5 points for each member of your YE team that has NAYEN involvement (such as NAYEN board officer, board member, committee chair).

_____ Score 10 points if your district uses the NAYEN on-line youth protection training module as part of its training program at the district level and club level.

_____ Score 10 points for referral or recommendations for breakout sessions or discussion topics your district made for the Omaha Conference. Maximum of 40 points. Please list them:

- 1.
- 2.
- 3.
- 4.

Score 10 points for each criteria proposed for use in the future awards. Maximum of 50 points

_____ Please list them:

- 1.
- 2.
- 3.
- 4
- 5.

Score 10 points if one or more members of your district have posted document so the

_____ YEOresources in the 2017-18 year.

Participation in Service Projects

_____ Score 10 points if all the long-term inbound students have participated in a club service project.

_____ Score 10 points if all the long-term inbound students participated in a district-wide service project.

_____ Score 20 points if the students initiated this district wide project. Please describe:

Use of the internet for Youth Exchange

Score 10 points if your district YE program has a link on the website of your Rotary district or

_____ your YE Multi-district.

_____ Score 10 points if your website is updated at least once a month.

Score 10 points if your district YE website includes a link to NAYEN or YEOresources.

Score 10 points for each mode of communication your district uses to communicate with students/clubs AND how they have improved your communication. (Such as Facebook, Twitter, WhatsApp, Instagram, Skype, etc.). Maximum of 30 points.

_____ points. Please list them:

- 1.
- 2.
- 3.

Promotion

Score 10 points if your YE program has received coverage in the local press or broadcast

_____ media.

_____ Score 10 points if you routinely share testimonials from current inbound or Rebound students in your district's newsletter or local paper/s.

Score 10 points if there is coordination/cooperation at the district level of your program and

_____ RYLA, Interact of other teen programs operate by your district. Please describe:

Encouragement for new or smaller programs

_____ Score 30 points if your district program is less than three years old.

_____ Score 10 points if your program is growing in terms of the total number of inbound/outbound long-term exchange students.

_____ Score 20 points if your program is growing in terms of the total number of inbound/outbound short-term exchange (STEP) students.

_____ Score 5 points for each new country your district exchanged with during the 2017-18 year. Maximum 25 points.

_____ Score 20 points if your district has a scholarship fund for a deserving student/s.

_____ Score 20 points if during the 2017-18 year, your program has shared information or leadership with another district's program or serves as a role model to another district. Please share what you did:

_____ Score 10 points if you recognize/thank host families throughout your district. Please describe:

Leadership, Training and Program Administration

_____ Score 10 points if your district has documented job descriptions for the key district and club roles (such as Chair, Counselor, Coordinator).

_____ Score 10 points if your district has document succession plan for the YE district chair and/or committee members.

_____ Score 10 points if these are reviewed every three years.

_____ Score 10 points if your DGE or DGN serves on your committee and actively attends the meetings, etc.

_____ Score 10 points if your district uses signed agreements with your exchange partner districts.

_____ Score 10 points if 2 or more of the host families for all of your long-term inbound families are fully vetted before the student arrives.

_____ Score 10 points if you use a system to vet your short-term student host families.

_____ Score 5 points for each day (6 hours or more = 1 day) you spend in training and preparing with your outbound long-term and short-term students. Maximum is 30 points.

_____ Score 10 points if your district provides training to the parents of long-term students before their child returns home.

Club Engagement

_____ Calculate the percentage of clubs in district that participate in either the long-term and/or the short-term program and score the number of points.

_____ Score 10 points if 75% or more of your clubs are returning to the program.

_____ Score 10 points for each change your district program made this year to help make the program more relevant to clubs/students. Maximum of 40 points. Please list them:

- 1.
- 2.
- 3.
- 4.

Organized Travel

_____ Score 10 points if your district offers organized travel opportunities for your long-term inbound students.

Early Returns

_____ Score 10 points if you have a documented process that address how you handle students returning to your district early?

_____ Score 10 points if this process includes a YE committee member meeting with the student one-on-one in person?

ROTEX/Rebound Program

_____ Score 10 points if you district has planned re-entry program for returning students outbound students.

_____ Score 10 points if this program includes the parents.

_____ Score 10 points if you have Rebound/ROTEX students help with your re-entry program in a formal way.

_____ Score 10 points if you have a non-Rotarian ROTEX on your district YE committee.

_____ Score 5 points for each way you use Rebounds/ROTEX students in your program. Maximum 20 points. Please list:

- 1.
- 2.
- 3.
- 4.

_____ Score 5 points if you have system that tracks your rebound for five or more years.

_____ Score 5 if provide Rebound/Rotex students information on Rotaract or information outside of your own district as a way to stay involved in Rotary.

_____ Score 5 points if your district has an Alumni Chair that you work with.

25 Bonus points

Score 25 points if you answer this question: If anyone from your committee attended a NAYEN conference in the last two years, what did they bring back in order to make _____ changes/improvement in your district? Were these things implemented?

_____ **Total number of points**

THANK YOU FOR YOUR PARTICIPATION!



North American Youth Exchange Network, Inc.
Dr. Abe Kuttothara Outstanding District Award



Application 2018

Please complete this form electronically, and submit it with supporting documents:

Date Required: Feb. 28, 2018

Email To: Becky Fontaine
NAYEN Achievement Awards Chair
bfontaine@wamail.net

In order to be eligible to apply for this award, you must have paid your NAYEN dues for either 2016-17 or 2017-18.

The application consists of two parts. Please complete:

- A. Application Form (Page 2)
- B. Application Questions (Page 3)

Remember to include answers for both the long and short term programs.

Thank you for applying for this prestigious award!



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A. Application Form

District No.	Current RI Certification Status	Country + States and/or Provinces included in District	URL of District Youth Exchange Website	
Name of District Youth Exchange Chairperson			E-mail Address of District Youth Exchange Chairperson	
YE Chair Home Phone	YE Chair Work Phone	YE Chair Mobile Phone	YE Chair Fax	
Name of District Governor			E-mail Address of District Governor	

Enter the quantities for each category and year:	Two Years Ago 2015-2016	Last Year 2016-2017	This Year 2017-2018	Projection for Next Year 2017-2018
Rotary Clubs in your District				
Rotarians on District Youth Exchange Committee				
District YEC Members Attending NAYEN Conf.				
District YEC Members Attending RI Convention				
District YEC Members Attending other YEO Conf. (EEMA, Mexico, Brazil, etc.)				
Long Term Inbounds Hosted				
Long Term Outbounds Sponsored				
Clubs Hosting Long Term Inbounds				
Clubs Sponsoring Long Term Outbounds				
Countries of Origin for Long Term Inbounds				
Countries of Placement for Long Term Outbounds				
Early Terminations of Long Term Inbounds (sent home or went home prior to program end)				
Early Terminations of Long Term Outbounds (sent home or went home prior to program end)				
Short Term Inbounds Hosted				
Short Term Outbounds Sponsored				
Clubs Hosting Short Term Inbounds				
Clubs Sponsoring Short Term Outbounds				
Countries of Origin for Short Term Inbounds				
Countries of Placement for Short Term Outbounds				



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B. NAYEN Dues

In order to apply for this award you must have paid your NAYEN dues for either 2016-17 or 2017-18. Please tell if you have paid your dues for 2016-17 or 2017-18 or both.

C. Application Questions:

Please answer the following questions. Use as many pages as you like, and feel free to include relevant documents, handbooks, agendas, and other reference materials with your submission. Remember your answers should include both long and short term programs.

1. What are the processes and/or activities you use to promote Rotary Youth Exchange in your district?
2. What is the selection process for your outbound students?
3. What is the orientation process for your outbound students?
4. What is the orientation process for your inbound students?
5. How do you decide which countries you are going to exchange with? Is there a formal agreement and if so what information is included?
6. What support do you provide to students returning from exchange (both early returns and those that have completed their full exchange)?
7. How do you use Interact, Rotaract or ROTEX (rebound students) in your program?
8. How is your program funded?
9. Describe any special exchange opportunities you have provided (e.g. handicapped students, developing countries, non-traditional situations, etc.)
10. Discuss any special events or opportunities offered by your district.
11. In summary, what makes your district YE program “outstanding” among all the districts in the USA, Canada, and Mexico?