



North American Youth Exchange Network 2016-17 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 2016-17 Rotary year.

Recognition Levels

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

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

Complete the form on the following pages by entering 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 February 3, 2017. Awards will be presented at the conference in Calgary, Alberta, Canada, March 9-12, 2017. Please no handwritten applications.

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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 _____

Strengthening Involvement and participation in NAYEN

Score 10 points if 1 or more representatives of your district YE committee attended the 2015-16 NAYEN Conference in Cincinnati, Ohio, USA.

Score 10 points if 1 or more representatives of you district YE committee attended the RI Youth Exchange Preconvention in 2016 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 2016-17 NAYEN Conference in Calgary, Canada (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 Calgary Conference. Maximum of 50 points. Please list them:

Score 10 points for each criteria proposed for use in the future awards. Maximum of 50 points
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Score 10 points if one or more members of your district have posted document so the YEOresources in the 2016-17 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. (Such as Facebook, Twitter, WhatsApp, Instagram, etc.). Maximum of 50 points. Please list them:

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 or 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 2016-17 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 2016-17 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 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 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 50 points. Please list them:

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:

Score 10 points if you have system that tracks your rebound for five or more years. Please Describe the program:

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 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!