



**Rotary International District 5100  
Youth Exchange Committee (2012-2013)  
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"The Future of Rotary is in Your Hands"

Thanks for your question on Alternates for the Long Term Exchange Program.

This year - like last year - we are not taking any "Alternate" Long Term Applications. Mainly for 2 reasons - the clubs are getting better at selecting applicants - so fewer of them drop out. And the STEP (Short Term Exchange Program) is slowly getting bigger and we always have a few of them that want to transfer over to the LTEP. And since they are required to attend that same January Outbound Orientation - we have until the Eastern Oregon Discovery Excursion to replace someone that dropped out of the program.

The short version is that we are going to pull our alternates from the STEP - so ask you're alternate to consider the STEP.

Here in LaGrande we have sent out 3 Club Alternates in the past 6 years by contacting the other clubs in Eastern Oregon and networking with them - some of them have not had qualified applicants so they sponsored our Club alternate. The District YEC was not involved other than being aware of the address difference of the Outbound Candidate.

I hope that answers your question.

Talk to you later,

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