

Dear Inbound Exchange Students

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Corona virus has spread all over the world. It has reached already over 100 countries. In China, South Korea and Italy there are most infections, but numbers rise up every day.

Until now 400 people have got infection in Finland. Our medical authorities follow up situation continuously and will inform daily through TV and magazines. Finland's Government has announced to country state of emergency. Based on that borders are closed. Foreigners have still the right to travel to their home countries.

Please follow daily information of Your host family, club counsellor and TV. But also follow orders of Your home country and district.

To avoid risk to have infection our Multidistrict organisation has decided:

- St Petersburg Tour is cancelled.
- Euro Tour will is cancelled.
- All inbounds meetings are cancelled until further notice.
- All inbounds travels are fully restricted and are under specific authorization of district chairs together with club YEOs or counsellor.
- Any inbound grouping is not allowed
- District Conferences have been cancelled

As it has been stated by RI and already acknowledged by our exchange partners that natural parents they have the right to request the exchange to be terminated earlier. Some districts in Japan, USA and Canada have given the order to students to come home immediately. Until now 15 students have terminated their exchanges. In the event of an early termination it is very important to take care of the personal safety and welfare of the student during travel back to home. The decision of the natural parents, but please talk also with Your host family and listen their opinion. Even terminating decision is very difficult, please look only facts. You have had good time in Finland and You are always welcome to visit in our country.

If You want to travel back to Your home country, please contact Your host club counsellor and correspondent. Agreement about early return must be decided between correspondents. Decision of terminating must to as soon as possible, because flights will decrease in the end of March.

Please remember that the risk of infection during travel may be very big.



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