

**SUMMER CAMP in Oulu and Kalajoki , FINLAND 2026**

**District 1385**

<b>NAME:</b>	<b>Exploring Finnish Maritime Nature in Kalajoki and Oulu</b>	05.12.2025
<b>WHERE:</b>	Oulu and Kalajoki Hiekkasärkät (Holiday resort)	
<b>WHEN:</b>	Aug 1st – Aug 15th, 2026. Family Period Aug 1st – Aug 9th Camp Period Aug 9th - Aug 15th	
<b>ARRIVAL:</b>	Oulu Airport, Aug 1st via Helsinki.	
<b>DEPARTURE:</b>	Oulu Airport, Aug 15th via Helsinki.	
<b>PARTICIPANTS:</b>	20 participants, interested in nature and activities there.	
<b>AGE:</b>	15 – 17	
<b>PROGRAMME:</b>	The camp consists of two parts. The participants will first spend one week together with the host families in Oulu to get an idea of the Finnish way of life and learn to know <a href="#">Oulu</a> , the culture capital of Europe 2026. During the camp week we will all stay together at Hiekkasärkät (Camping resort) in <a href="#">Kalajoki</a> . The camp site is located on the dunes by the sea. There will be a lot of outdoor activities by the sea, on the sea and in the surrounding nature. Swimming skills are desirable.	
<b>LANGUAGE:</b>	Camp language is English.	
<b>ORGANIZERS:</b>	Oulu-Merikoski and Kalajoki Rotary Clubs	
<b>EQUIPMENT:</b>	Your personal medication and suitable clothing for outdoor activities and hiking. The daytime temperature is typically between 15 – 20 °C. Water temperature is around 20 °C. Take your swimming suit with you.	
<b>CAMP FEE:</b>	375 euros	
<b>OTHER COSTS:</b>	Participants pay their own costs to and from Oulu and shall have their own pocket money. Organizing Rotarians will meet the student at the arrival airport and will take care of all ground transportations in Finland.	
<b>INSURANCE:</b>	Participants must have a valid insurance policy in case of sickness and injury. We urge the student to purchase the insurance from <a href="#">CISI Bolduc</a> , which is approved by Rotary. Select "Plan B" or "Plan D" from the offered options.	
<b>APPLICATIONS:</b>	The applicant must use the official Rotary Youth Exchange – Short-Term Exchange Program (STEP) Camp Application form when applying to the camp. Camp places are confirmed as we receive acceptable applications. Final deadline for the applications is 31st March, 2026.	
<b>MORE INFORMATION:</b>	Suvi Lindén	

**SEND ALL APPLICATIONS TO:**

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