

ROTARY CLUB OF  
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# EARLYACT CLUBS

## MISSION:

The mission of **EarlyAct** is to promote goodwill, understanding, and peace through the active participation of its student members so that with committed citizenship and effective leadership they may improve the quality of life of their school, local and global communities.

## COMMUNITY SERVICE:

At School,  
In the Neighbourhood & Community,  
Around the world.

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TODAY**

Website: <https://rcen.org/SitePage/our-earlyact-clubs>

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**EarlyAct™** is a school-wide service club for elementary students from ages 5 to 13. It is sponsored by a local Rotary club in the town or city in which the school is located. The mission and operation of **EarlyAct™** are closely linked to the ideals of Rotary and provide the foundation and natural succession into Interact.

**EarlyAct™** provides young students the opportunity for gaining an increased awareness and knowledge of their community and the world. At a young age, all students can easily be encouraged to be caring and helpful. Their minds are open to recognize the dignity and worth of each individual which builds respect for others.

**EarlyAct™** also engages students in character-building activities and prepares them for leadership roles to identify and carry out projects which benefit their school, local and global communities.

Each EarlyAct program takes on a life of its own, depending on the dynamics of the Rotary Club participation (and more importantly) the dynamics of the school hosting the club.

It is important to **KEEP IT SIMPLE**.

The goal is simple (to create clubs that take on a life of their own):

*Connect the local business leaders with the students –to instill in the students that community service is as important to community leaders as it is to the students (and we have found the opposite is as true and powerful).*

Regardless, however, of the age range or school dynamics, the two most important things to be sure to instill are:

1. Let the STUDENTS run the program (they need to “own” the program for it to be successful)

- choose projects
- follow through
- run meetings.

2. **Communication**, Communication, Communication.

- Be sure there is consistent communication between the school and the Rotary Club
- Communicate to the club, to the school and to the community about all activities

**EarlyAct™** is a great opportunity to **share our commitment to service** with **future generations** of Rotarians.

These youths are the individuals who carry with them—the **foundations** we instill in them—into a future we can only imagine.

Students of each EarlyAct club share their commitment to the **values of Rotary**—the commitment to leave the world a better place than they found it.

Our job is to help the youth find ways to put their **unique gifts and abilities to work**.

The job of the youth is to work with us in **service** to our community –locally, nationally, and around the globe.

Margaret Mead said it best:

*“Never doubt that a small group of thoughtful, committed individuals can change the world! Indeed, it is the only thing that ever has!”*