



RYLA 2021 FAQ's

WHAT is RYLA? “RYLA” is short for **R**otary **Y**outh **L**eadership **A**wards. It is a youth leadership development & training event sponsored around the world by Rotary International and is put on by local Rotary clubs in Alaska. RYLA promotes development and understanding of leadership principles. Participants learn about the qualities of leadership, what makes an effective team and apply what they learn in challenging activities. Some of the RYLA activities which include: combination of experiential activities (don't worry – they are safe!), group discussion, guest speakers / panel discussions, group team building, group problem solving activities and some personal reflection time.

WHO is RYLA for? RYLA is for local high school sophomores and juniors (grades 10 & 11). Interested participants must apply to their local Rotary Club to participate in RYLA. Participants are selected and sponsored by their local Rotary Club.

WHERE is RYLA 2021? RYLA 2021 will be held virtually. Depending on State restrictions, we hope to have prearranged programs which will be administered by local area clubs. More information will be available as the State makes their determination on gatherings.

WHEN is RYLA 2021? RYLA 2021 will be Thursday April 15th to Saturday April 17th, 2021. As the RYLA representative, you will be sent login information for the Zoom portion of the program and information on any programs that will be done in a group setting.

WHAT should I bring? N/A

APPLICATIONS? These are available from your local high school counselors or local Rotary Club. Parent / Guardian permission is required for all participants who apply to attend RYLA 2021. All applications must be received by the Rotary Club no later than February 15, 2021 or an earlier date set by your Rotary Club's RYLA Representative.

SELECTION AND ORIENTATION? Applications are screened by Rotary Clubs and may involve a brief interview and orientations for those selected to attend RYLA 2021.

COST? Registration Fees are paid by the local sponsoring Rotary Club. There are no costs to applicants for participation.

REQUIRED IDENTIFICATION? Participants must have a government issued I.D. or a high school photo id.

Incomplete applications will not be accepted

IF YOU HAVE QUESTIONS PLEASE CONTACT YOUR RYLA REPRESENTATIVE:

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