

## Monadnock Rotary Announces Annual RYLA Conference To Be Held at The Dublin School on March 23, 2019

Monadnock Rotary seeks participants for their annual Rotary Youth Leadership Awards (RYLA) program. RYLA is a day-long leadership training program for young people. Participants ages 15-19 are eligible.

RYLA is open to clubs in Rotary District 7870. The program emphasizes leadership, citizenship, and personal growth, and aims to:

- Demonstrate Rotary's respect and concern for youth.
- Provide an effective training experience for selected youth and potential leaders.
- Encourage leadership of youth by youth.
- Recognize publicly young people who are rendering service to their communities.

Who is eligible to attend? Clubs may devise their own selection process to recruit high school students from schools local to their club. Students in their junior and senior years will have preference. They should be students who want to develop their understanding of themselves as leaders and to learn more about the leadership process. We suggest that Interact members be given preference, but any junior or senior student who would benefit from this interactive leadership program is welcome. Call Bill Gurney with questions regarding the age or grade of participants.

What is the program? Members of the Youth and Students Program of the Browne Center at the University of New Hampshire will develop and present the program. Activities include dynamic sessions that provide for the exploration and practice of various aspects of leadership. In the past these sessions have included topics such as team-building, public speaking, communication, leadership styles, and decision-making. The one-day event also provides an opportunity for the participants to experience fellowship by meeting and working with their peers from Vermont and New Hampshire.

**Cost:** \$100 per person, payable to Monadnock Rotary.

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