



# Project YESS

Youth Empowered to Succeed through Sailing  
A program of the Cleveland Rotary Foundation

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The Rotary Club of Cleveland

\*This program is only open to students age 13 to 17

Application Due: March 26, 2018

### Student Application 2018

**The following materials must be received by Monday, March 26, 2018 for your application to be complete:**

1. This completed application form – do NOT complete in pencil – use ink! Illegible applications will not be considered!
2. Responses to the short answer section of this application. **ANSWERS MUST BE TYPED.**
3. **LETTER OF RECOMMENDATION** from an adult mentor (teacher, principal, employer, clergy, coach, personal acquaintance)

### PERSONAL INFORMATION (please print clearly)

Student name: \_\_\_\_\_ Parent/Guardian Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
First Last First Last

Address: \_\_\_\_\_ Apt. Number: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code: \_\_\_\_\_ Primary phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Referring Agency: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent/Guardian Email: \_\_\_\_\_ Student Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent/Guardian Cell: \_\_\_\_\_ Student Cell: \_\_\_\_\_

Current School: \_\_\_\_\_ Birth Date: \_\_\_\_\_ Gender: \_\_\_\_\_ Tee Shirt Size: S M L XL 2X

Will you be at least 13 years old as of May 1, 2018, but no more than 17 years old as of July 10, 2018? YES NO

### YESS SCHEDULE

|                                   |   |                |
|-----------------------------------|---|----------------|
| Selection Interviews              | April 2 <sup>nd</sup> thru April 13 <sup>th</sup> | TBD - Evenings |
| Parent & Student Orientation      | Thursday, May 10, 2018                            | 6 pm to 8 pm   |
| Boot Camp                         | Sunday, June 3, 2018                              | 9 am to 3 pm   |
| Community Service Project         | Tuesday, June 5, 2018                             | TBD – Evenings |
| Seamanship & Celestial Navigation | Thursday, June 7, 2018                            | 6 pm to 9 pm   |
| Sail Training                     | Sunday, June 10, 2018                             | 9 am to 2 pm   |
| Environmental Awareness           | Tuesday, June 12, 2018                            | 6 pm to 9 pm   |
| Career Relevance / Graduation     | Thursday, June 14, 2018                           | 6 pm to 8 pm   |
| Onboard Sailing                   | July 5, 2018 – July 11, 2018                      |                |

**All Project YESS sessions are MANDATORY.**

If admitted to this program, will you commit to attend all of the training session and the sailing? YES NO

If admitted to this program, will you commit to attend a follow-up forum or Rotary luncheon? YES NO

YESS is open to all individuals. Do you have special needs, physical limitations or **ALLERGIES** that require accommodations? YES NO

If so, please describe: \_\_\_\_\_

**SHORT ANSWER**

Please answer the following three questions and provide your answers TYPED on a separate page. Each answer should be between 100 and 200 words and must be legible. Answers will be judged on content, not grammar. Handwritten answers will not be acceptable.

**NOTE: APPLICATIONS COMPLETED ILLEGIBLY, OR IN PENCIL, WILL NOT BE CONSIDERED**

- Successful people commit to growth for many reasons. Explain the growth experience you hope to gain if you are accepted to participate in Project YESS and sail training on the Great Lakes.
- Please describe one of your greatest challenges.
- Please describe one of your most memorable accomplishments.

Signature of Applicant \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Signature of Parent/Guardian \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

*EACH STUDENT (AND PARENT OR GUARDIAN AS APPLICABLE) WILL BE REQUIRED TO SIGN A WAIVER RELEASING THE ROTARY CLUB OF CLEVELAND OF ALL RESPONSIBILITIES ON THE VESSELS AND FOR THE PROJECT YESS PROGRAM.*

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Please call the Rotary Club of Cleveland office at 216.556.8637 or email [CLEProjectYESS@gmail.com](mailto:CLEProjectYESS@gmail.com) before the application deadline to verify that we have received all of your materials.

SEMI-FINALISTS AND THEIR PARENT(S) OR GUARDIAN WILL BE REQUIRED TO PARTICIPATE IN A TEN-MINUTE INTERVIEW TO BE CONSIDERED FOR A YOUTH SAIL TRAINING POSITION.

**SEND** your application to [CLEProjectYESS@gmail.com](mailto:CLEProjectYESS@gmail.com) OR mail to:  
Rotary Club of Cleveland, 1122 Prospect Avenue, Cleveland, OH 44115

- Application – Signed by Student & Parent/Guardian
- Typed short answers
- Letter of Recommendation (from teacher, counselor, church, coach, mentor)

**You will receive a confirmation email verifying the receipt of your completed application.**

*The Rotary Club of Cleveland offices are located in the Ohio Desk Company building at the above address. If you are dropping off materials, please be advised that building hours are from 8:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., Monday through Friday. Metered parking is available in front of the building.*

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Please call (216) 556-8637 or email [CLEProjectYESS@gmail.com](mailto:CLEProjectYESS@gmail.com) with questions.

*Disclaimer: Project YESS is designed to provide an opportunity for students ages 13 through 17 to work together to develop character, leadership and life skills that can be transitioned to careers within and outside of the maritime industry. The Rotary Club of Cleveland works with designated vessels based on their published curriculums. The Rotary Club of Cleveland is not responsible for the operation or the management of the vessels. Each student (and parent or guardian as applicable) will be required to sign a waiver releasing the Rotary Club of Cleveland of all responsibilities on the vessels and for the Project YESS program.*