

## What is RYLA?

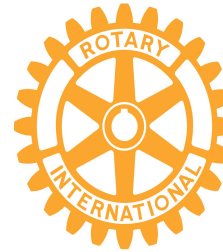
Rotary Youth Leadership Awakening—or RYLA—is a training program for leaders and potential leaders between their junior and senior high school years. As a RYLA participant, you will attend an all-expense-paid, 6 day camp at the Grizzly Creek Ranch in Portola, CA. You will be joined by over 100 talented young people like yourself from other communities in northern California and northern Nevada.

Young men and women spend a week in a challenging program of discussions, inspirational addresses, leadership training and social activities designed to enhance personal development, leadership skills and good citizenship.

Leadership concepts conveyed during the program are reinforced and practiced in many ways, including group challenges, individual participation and activities on the Ropes Course, which focuses on effective communication, trust, confidence and cooperation.



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## The Rotary Connection

Rotary is one of the largest international service organizations, with some 29,000 clubs in over 160 countries. Its members are dedicated to humanitarian service, high ethical standards in business and professional life, and the promotion of world understanding and peace.

One of the goals in Rotary is to help young people develop their leadership abilities and self-confidence to the fullest. To accomplish that goal, Rotary clubs prepare thousands of young leaders through Rotary Youth Leadership Awakening (RYLA) programs each year. RYLA events are organized by Rotarians who are business and professional achievers.

Rotary clubs also sponsor other, complimentary programs for young people. They include Rotaract (a service club for young adults), Interact (A service club for secondary school students), Youth Exchange (a chance to live and study abroad), and Ambassadorial Scholarships (for university or post-university study abroad).



## What RYLA Offers



During the RYLA program, you will:

- Gain exposure to issues, and exchange ideas with thoughtful people like yourself, in an atmosphere free from distraction.
- Explore new career paths or learn more about your chosen field through discussions with successful adults.
- Learn how to arrange youth activities and community service projects in your community.
- Discuss creative approaches for resolving family, social and professional conflicts
- Participate in character building programs on a professionally administered ropes course.



## How to apply

All RYLA participants are selected and sponsored by their local Rotary club. Don't miss the chance to participate in this exciting and rewarding program. To obtain all the information you will need to apply for this unforgettable experience, contact your school career counselor or leadership coordinator.

Further information is available on the Camp RYLA web site at [www.Camp-RYLA.org](http://www.Camp-RYLA.org).

