

ROTARY YOUTH LEADERSHIP AWARD, CONFERENCE

RYLA is a five-day overnight leadership conference for sophomores in High School sponsored by your local Rotary Clubs and held at Mount Saint Mary College.

WHAT HAPPENS AT RYLA?

You develop your leadership skills through fun-filled activities, events, projects, and presentations from special guests! At RYLA you'll gain new confidence, skills, and friends in a positive environment like no other.





GOALS

- Build communication and problem-solving skills
- Discover strategies for becoming a dynamic leader in your school or community
- Learn from community leaders, inspirational speakers, and peer mentors
- Unlock your potential to turn motivation into action
- Have fun and form lasting friendships



APPLY

Reach out to your Guidance Counselor, or Local Rotary Club for an application!

NOT SURE HOW TO GET IN CONTACT?

Email ryla7210@gmail.com to ask for your Rotary Club's contact!



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WHAT TO EXPECT?

LEARNING OPPURTUNITES

At RYLA we have activities geared to help students be more prepared for college, develop team-building and interpersonal skills, grow outside their comfort zones, and become more confident and positive leaders.

MEET NEW PEOPLE

RYLA hosts students from throughout the Hudson Valley!

EXPERIENCE A COLLEGE CAMPUS

RYLA takes place at the picturesque Mount Saint Mary College, where participants will stay in dormitories, eat at the dining hall, and use college facilities.

This invaluable experience provides students with a unique opportunity to gain insight into college life, allowing them to make informed decisions about their future academic pursuits after graduation.

TYPES OF ACTIVITIES

- Group Projects
- Fun Team Building Events
- Inspirational Speakers
- Educational Panels
- Interactive Presentations



"RYLA was a life-changing experience for me, and it proved to be a transformative experience that has shaped my perspective not just on leadership, but on life itself"

WHY RYLA?



RYLA'S IMPACT

Students walk away with countless memories and valuable knowledge - many RYLA alumni have credited the conference with their success in college and their careers. RYLA continues to inspire students to shape their communities year after year.

RYLA'S ACCESSIBILITY

Thanks to the generosity of Rotary, attendance at RYLA is completely free for students!