

2025 RYLA CONFERENCE CLUB SPONSORSHIP FORM

Please PRINT all information. Mail original to the address below with check.

Rotary Club of _____ will sponsor
_____ student(s) to the 2025 RYLA conference, February 7,8, and 9, 2025, at
Waypoint 4180 and the Marriott in Canfield.

Amount enclosed: _____ \$435.00 per student if postmarked **by** November 22, 2024
\$450.00 per student if postmarked **after** November 23, 2024

Make check payable to: **The Salem Rotary Foundation**
Payment due in full by November 22, 2024 to qualify for the \$435 rate.

RYLA Contact person from our club: _____

Address: _____

Telephone: Work: _____ Cell: _____

Home: _____

PRINT CAREFULLY: *Your Club's RYLA Contact Person's email:*

**Deadline for submitting this form and full payment:
Friday November 22, 2024.**

Our RYLA 2025 class will be filled on a first come basis. It is possible we will reach our maximum before the payment deadline. Space permitting, reservations will be taken after November 23nd at the rate of \$450.00 each until the class is filled.

Mail payment and completed form to:
Gina Dermotta
District 6650 RYLA Conference
P O Box 1244
Salem OH 44460

NOTE: ALL FUTURE RYLA 2025 INFORMATION WILL BE SENT TO THE
PERSON YOU LIST ABOVE AS YOUR CLUB'S CONTACT.

Questions?
Gina 330.550.9318 6650RYLA@gmail.com (This email has changed!)

RYLA

June 14, 2024

Dear Club Presidents/ RYLA Contacts,

We are pleased to announce that the 30th District 6650 Rotary Youth Leadership Awards (RYLA) Conference is scheduled for February 7,8,and 9, 2025 at Waypoint 4180 and the Marriott at Westford Place, Canfield Ohio. The Rotary Club of Salem will be the host club. A description of the conference is enclosed.

It is time for your club to make a commitment to sponsor one or more students to attend RYLA. You ***do not*** need specific student names at this time; you only need to reserve ***places*** for the number of students you want to send. Students must be juniors in high school to participate. The number of participants will be limited and they will be accepted on a first come basis. To provide more opportunities and student diversity, we ask that you sponsor a maximum of 6 students per Rotary Club. *Clubs sending more than one person are strongly encouraged to choose an equal number of male and female students.* The conference activities work best when there are sufficient numbers of both young men and women in attendance.

- The fee for sending a student to RYLA 2025 is \$435.00, which is due with the accompanying 2025 RYLA Conference Sponsorship. The deadline for submitting this form and \$435.00 per student payment is FRIDAY NOVEMBER 22, 2024
- I need the Contact Information Form Back to me with payment. This is the Rotarian who is responsible for working with the local high school(s) in the student selection process, and for coordinating between the school(s) and your club.
- Any returned forms postmarked after FRIDAY NOVEMBER 22, 2024 will pay \$450.00 per student. The Club Contact Person will receive all future communications about RYLA.
- **The deadline for choosing your students and sending in all of the required paperwork for them is Friday, December 13, 2024**

RYLA has the potential to change the lives of our young people and create a life-long commitment to service and leadership. We hope that your club will send one or more students from *your* community to participate!

Sincerely,

Gina Dermotta (330)550-9318
District 6650 Conference Coordinator
PO Box 1244
Salem, OH 44460
email: 6650RYLA@gmail.com (please note email has been updated)

ROTARY YOUTH LEADERSHIP AWARDS CONFERENCE 2025 – GENERAL INFORMATION

Leaders in Training

Friday, February 7– Sunday, February 9, 2025

At Waypoint 4180 and the Marriott

4180 and 4173 Westford Place, Canfield, Ohio 44406

Rotary Youth Leadership Awards (RYLA) Conference 2025, District 6650's 30th conference, is based on a program initiated by Rotary International. The program identifies young people who have *demonstrated* leadership skills *or show the potential* to be leaders and gives them an opportunity to explore and develop those skills with others with similar capabilities.

During the conference, participants will

- explore their own style and strengths;
- learn skills that will enable them to be aware of and able to address community needs;
- interact with adult role models who are active in their professions and community;
- develop and learn leadership skills;
- develop an appreciation for community service.

Cost: 47 Rotary Clubs throughout District 6650 sponsor high school juniors to attend the conference. Clubs pay all conference expenses. There is no additional cost to students.

Program: Students arrive at the hotel Friday morning for registration. (They do not attend school on Friday.) Students are assigned roommates who are not from their school or hometown, and they are purposely regrouped throughout the weekend to meet all participants.

For two and a half days there are group learning activities, discussions, speakers, interaction with peers and social activities. Participants' days are filled from breakfast to lights out. Elements of the program build on each other and students must be willing and able to commit to the entire weekend in order to provide the best experience for all. The conference ends Sunday by 1:00.

Conference topics include:

Communication: learning to share views in a constructive way, leading to better understanding;

Behavioral styles: understanding one's own behavioral style, the value of different behavioral styles and the effects of different behaviors on a group;

Rotary: learning about and understanding the Four Way Test, the concept of "Service Above Self" and the purpose and activities of Rotary International;

Society: looking at the role values play in our modern society and understanding the Pillars of Character (respect, responsibility, caring, citizenship, trustworthiness, fairness)

RYLA is a chance for students to meet other outstanding students from eastern Ohio and to spend two and a half days learning about themselves, learning from others and having fun. An outstanding group of facilitators is planning another successful RYLA event and is looking forward to our annual conference.

Conference Coordinators: Gina Dermotta 330-550-9318 6650RYLA@gmail.com

Rotary Youth Leadership Award

February 7-9 2025

Commitment to Participate Contract – Includes Photo Release

Being chosen for the Rotary Youth Leadership Award (RYLA) means participating in a weekend-long learning experience hosted by the Rotary Clubs of District 6650. Approximately 100 high school juniors are selected from northeastern Ohio for this award.

The RYLA program is a series of activities and events that build on each other. It is *not* like attending a seminar or conference in which there are stand-alone activities and sessions to be chosen by participants, where one can come and go without compromising what is learned and experienced. Activities in day one, for example, are the foundation for activities in the remainder of the conference. Also, students are divided into specific small groups for the activities, and a missing student changes the dynamics of that group, or does not allow the group to complete the activity.

In order that each student gets the most from the experience and assures that others selected also get the most from the experience, we ask that each RYLA participant commit to attending the entire time: beginning at 9:30 a.m. Friday, February 7 until closing at 12:30 p.m. Sunday, February 9, 2025.

Most of the students selected are involved in numerous other activities, including sports and employment. In past years we have been asked if students can leave RYLA for sports tournament games, band competitions, college tours, school play rehearsals and many other worthwhile activities. If a student is allowed to attend other activities during the course of RYLA, it would result in a lesser experience for that student and all other students.

Therefore, in accepting this award from your local Rotary Club, we ask you to sign the commitment contract below indicating that you will be able to participate in the *entire* conference. We are also asking your Rotary Club to select an alternate for RYLA so that if something more important to you does conflict with RYLA weekend, there will be an alternate who can benefit from the RYLA experience just as you would benefit from whatever else you may choose to do.

READ CAREFULLY BEFORE SIGNING!

Having been selected to participate in the Rotary Youth Leadership Award Conference, I agree to clear my calendar so that I may participate in the entire conference: 9:30 a.m. Friday, February 7 until 12:30 p.m. Sunday, February 9, 2025. If a conflict arises that prevents me from attending the entire conference, I will notify my sponsoring Rotary Club immediately so that an alternate may take my place.

By signing below, I also give permission for my picture to be shared on the RYLA Facebook page and in publicity presentations to promote future RYLA conferences.

Please check here if permission to use my picture in this way is NOT granted

Student signature

Date _____

Parent or Guardian signature

Date

Rotary Contact Signature

Date

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P.O. Box 1244, Salem, OH 44460

2025 Rotary District 6650 Youth Leadership Award Conference

February 7-9 2025

EMERGENCY INFORMATION

PLEASE PRINT CLEARLY

Student's Name _____ Date of Birth _____
Sponsoring Rotary Club _____

Parent/ Guardian Name _____

Parent phone (Home) _____ (work) _____

Contact person if parent/guardian cannot be reached _____

Relationship to Student _____
Phone _____

Name of Student's Physician _____

Telephone _____

Is the student covered by medical insurance? YES _____ NO _____
Group/Plan name _____ Policy Number _____

Does the student have special dietary needs? NO ____ YES ____ If yes, what are they?

If you prefer vegetarian meals, please indicate: _____ YES

Is the student required to take medication on a regular basis? NO ____ YES ____ If so, please list

Dosage: _____

Will student have necessary medication with him/her?

Note: student must be responsible for self medication.

Does the student have any medical problems that emergency medical personnel should be aware of?
NO _____ YES _____ If yes, please explain

Does student have any allergies? NO ____ YES ____ If yes, please list _____

Parent Authorization for Medical Treatment: (Required for student to participate)

In the event of a medical emergency, I hereby give my permission to the physician and/or emergency medical personnel to secure proper treatment for my child as named above.

Signature of Parent/Guardian

Print name of Parent/Guardian _____ Date

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Rotary District 6650 Youth Leadership Conference

February 7-9, 2025

2025 Student Participant Profile

Please PRINT clearly

Sponsoring Rotary Club _____

Student Name _____ AGE _____ Sex _____

Home Mailing Address _____

City _____ Zip Code _____

Student's phone: _____ Do you text? ____ Yes ____ No

Student's e-mail address (if you have one) _____

Student's other social media contact information *to share* with other students. Please list:

High School _____ Grade _____

Name or Nickname you would like on your NAMETAG _____

You will receive a T-shirt. Your size is: **S M L XL XXL XXXL**
(circle one)

School Administrator Recommendation

(to be completed by Principal, Guidance Counselor, Teacher or Club Advisor)

Please tell us briefly why you feel this student would be appropriate for participation in the Rotary Youth Leadership conference. (If necessary, attach a separate page)

Signature _____ Title _____

School _____ Date _____

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