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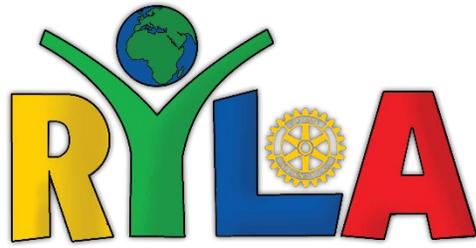


Texas Woman's University

June 25th to June 28th

Rotary District 5790





Club Packet

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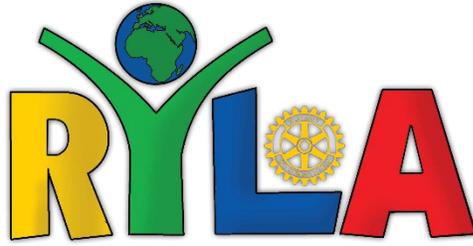
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PLEASE TAKE NOTICE OF TRAVEL TIMES TO AND FROM CAMP AND MAKE THE APPROPRIATE CHANGES TO YOUR CAMPER DROP OFF AND PICK UP PLAN.

WE LOOK FORWARD TO GREAT RYLA YEAR!

GO RYLA!!!!!!!



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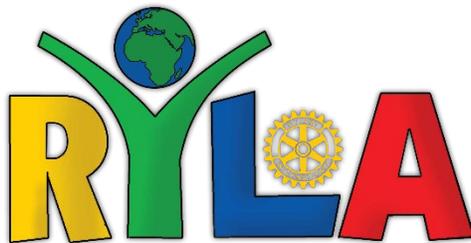
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2026 – RYLA Three Step Application Process

- Step 1.** Student completes online [Request for Application](#) (RFA).
- Step 2.** The link for the RYLA application emailed to Parents. Parents complete and submit the online application.
- Step 3.** District sends completed applications to the local Rotary clubs and the clubs select and approve students for sponsorship to RYLA 2026.

After the student submits the [Request for Application](#), a link to the full APPLICATION will be forwarded to the email addresses submitted on the online form.

Parents/guardians will complete the full APPLICATION online.

The District will work with applicants to complete all necessary camp paperwork.

Each local Rotary Club will review completed applications and select students for sponsorship to RYLA 2026.

Clubs will use their normal selection process (interviews, etc.) to approve students they wish to sponsor.

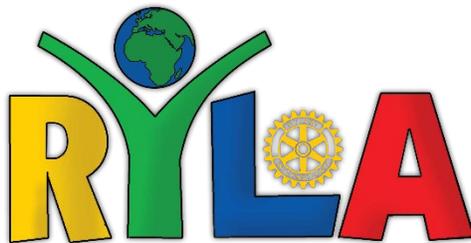
Clubs will email the names of all students selected for sponsorship to the District Committee at RYLA5790@gmail.com

Refer questions to:

RYLA Chairman
Clint Ishmael
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(817) 774-3102
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Clubs will mail checks to:

RYLA Treasurer
Dan Morales
4304 Kenwood Ct
Fort Worth, TX 76103
\$450 fee per camper
Checks payable to **Rotary District 5790**



Important Dates to Remember

January -March 2026

- Clubs begin the RYLA recruiting process.
- Call your school counselor.
- It is important to get the campers committed early.
- Students may begin completing the online RFA.

April 2026

- Checks due for camper sponsorship.
- Make checks payable to **Rotary District 5790**.
- Clubs can pay before they have selected campers.
- Mail checks to RYLA Treasurer listed above.

May 15, 2026

- Clubs submit names of campers they wish to sponsor.
- Clubs contact campers to confirm sponsorship for camp and answer camper questions. **(This step is important for campers and their parents)**

June 1, 2026

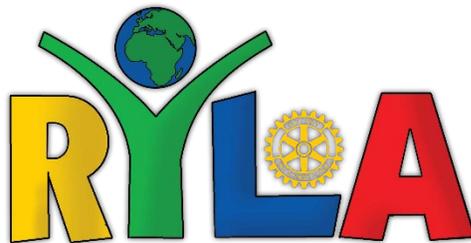
- Notify District who will be transporting your camper to RYLA.
- The sponsoring Rotary Club is responsible for transporting campers **TO and FROM** RYLA.

Thursday · June 25, 2026

- Sponsoring Rotary Club will transport campers to RYLA at Denton.
- Arrive 7:30 - 9:30 a.m.

Sunday · June 22, 2026

- Sponsoring Rotary Club will pick-up campers from RYLA at Denton.
- Depart 11:30 - 1:00 p.m.



Frequently Asked Questions

Q: How do students begin the 2026 RYLA process?

A: All prospective students **MUST** complete the online Request for Application (RFA) form. Click here for the link to the 2026 [Request for Application](#).

Q: How will the students get access to the online RFA form?

A: Click here for the link to the 2026 [Request for Application](#). Your Club will also receive an email notice with the link to the online RFA form and you may forward to the school or directly to students wishing to apply. The District Committee will also send out notices to schools and Interact Clubs in the District. All students who submit an online RFA and application will require approval from the sponsoring Rotary Club.

Q: How do I recruit students for RYLA?

A: The best way to identify potential RYLA campers is contact your local school counselor. Explain the program to them and they will usually have recommendations for campers. Students of Rotary members are also encouraged to apply as well as other students the Club believes can benefit from the RYLA program.

Q: How will the student parents complete all required paperwork?

A: The District Committee will use the information from the online RFA form to process the full student application (online) for the students. The District will email the link to the online full application to the parents and students for completion. The full application will contain the necessary waivers and releases that require digital parent signatures (4 forms).

Q: What if our club knows a student we would like to sponsor?

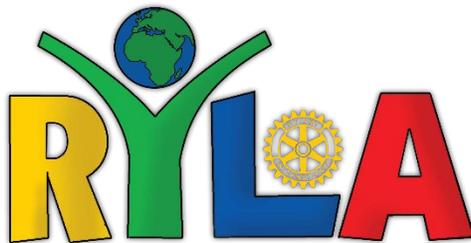
A: Great, have the student complete the online RFA form and the District committee will forward the completed application to your Club for approval.

Q: Can we still use our normal interview process to select our students?

A: Yes, all student applications will be forwarded to the Clubs for review and approval. Just select the students you wish to interview and make the necessary arrangements.

Q: What if I have additional questions?

A: Go to the website www.RYLA5790.org or contact RYLA Chairman Clint Ishmael at (817) 774-3102 or by email at RYLA5790@gmail.com



All prospective students **MUST** complete the online [Request for Application](#) (RFA) form.

Students will complete the following items in the full application online

1. 2026 Student Application – Form 1
 2. Waiver, Indemnification, And Medical Treatment Authorization – Form 2
 3. Prescription Medication Waiver – Form 3
 4. Media Release – Form 4
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Additional information needed by the District Committee

1. Name and contact information of the Rotarian transporting students to and from RYLA - **This is a requirement of Rotary International.**
 2. Names of campers your club will be sponsoring.
 3. Local Rotary Club **Sponsorship** form. (page 11 below)
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The Club's RYLA chairperson should provide the following information to the students and parents

1. Club contact person and contact numbers
2. Name and mobile number of Rotarian transporting students to and from RYLA – **This is a requirement of Rotary International.**



2026 – Items Needed for RYLA Stay

PLEASE do not **OVERPACK!** We will be wearing our RYLA T-shirts most of the time. The T-Shirts are **WHITE**, so dark under garments may show underneath.

Four (4) RYLA t-shirts will be provided to each camper.

Tank tops, muscle shirts or half t-shirts are not permitted.

Necessary items:

Bedding	Sheets (twin XL), blanket, and pillow (we will be staying in the dorms)		
Bath Items	Wash clothes, bath towels, flip-flops for room		
Clothing	Shorts to be a 5" inseam or longer. No baggy or short shorts		
	Sleepwear	Shirts	Jeans
	Underwear	Casual Clothing	
	Closed-toed Shoes (Tennis Shoes)		
Essentials	Hygiene items	Body & Hand Soaps	Shampoo
	Deodorant	Toothpaste & Toothbrush	Sunscreen

Optional Items	Items Not Permitted
Musical Instruments	Alcohol, or drugs
Medications	Tobacco products including dip
Kleenex	No vaping products or use

Proper Dinner Attire for Etiquette Program

(Yes, we will all be dressed in our best clothing)

The etiquette dinner is Friday evening only.

<u>Young Women</u>	<u>Young Men</u>
Dress	Slacks
Pant Suit	Coat
Dress Shoes	Tie
NO Sun Dresses please	Dress Shoes
NO Flip Flops	NO Flip Flops
NO Jeans	NO Jeans

Note: We want our campers engaged during the activities so cell phones will be limited for use during free time.





District 5790
2026 RYLA Fact Sheet
Rotary Youth Leadership Awards - A Leadership Development Experience

- What:** In 1971 Rotary International adopted RYLA – an intensive leadership development program for youth leaders.
- When:** **June 25th – 28th, 2026**
- Where:** Texas Woman’s in Denton, Texas
- Who:** Students must be a high school **Junior** or **Senior** in the Fall of 2026. Students must be between the ages of 16 and 18. Students should meet the following qualifications:
- Leadership experience or potential, demonstrated through participation in youth group or service activities.
 - Cooperative nature and willingness to participate in a group.
 - Awareness of current events.
 - Strong communication skills.
 - Good performance in school and work.
 - Enthusiasm for sharing newly found skills.
- Cost:** **A Rotary Club funds the sponsorship of the participant at \$450 per camper. Check payable to Rotary District 5790.**

The RYLA Program is conducted in a professional, collegiate atmosphere where participants will:

- Develop leadership skills with the assistance of experts in social development in a hands-on environment.
- Increase self-confidence and enhance teamwork skills through participation in challenge course exercises.
- Learn proper social and business etiquette while participating in a formal dinner event.
- Explore a City government process through participating in a mock City Council Meeting.
- Expand their civic and patriotic skills in ethics and responsibility classes.
- Learn about the purpose and objectives of Rotary International while attending a Rotary club meeting. Learn about the Rotary Four Way Test.
- Participate in a community service project.
- Participate in problem solving exercises and programs designed to develop leadership skills.

RYLA aims to:

- Demonstrate Rotary’s respect and concern for young people.
- Introduce leadership concepts for youth leaders.
- Encourage leadership of youth by youth
- Recognize publicly young people who are rendering service to their communities.

RYLA provides:

- An introduction of a variety of issues and people.
- An opportunity to make new friends.



2026 – Club Optional Sponsorship Opportunities

Student Sponsorship	\$450
Teambuilding - June 25 th	\$300
BBQ dinner - June 25 th	2 at \$800 each
Etiquette Dinner - June 26 th	4 at \$1,000 each
Bus Transportation - June 26 th	2 at \$500 each
Ice Cream Social - June 25 th & 27 th	2 at \$250 each
Snacks – June 25 th , 26 th & 27 th	3 at \$300 each
Service Project – June 27 th	2 at \$1,000 each
Hamburger/ Hot Dog Cookout – June 27 th	2 at \$750 each
DJ Social and Dance – June 27 th	2 at \$500 each

Please Print

Club Sponsorship Form	
Rotary Club	<input type="text"/>
Event or Material to Sponsor	<input type="text"/>
Responsible Rotarian	<input type="text"/>
Address	<input type="text"/>
Email	<input type="text"/>
Telephone	<input type="text"/>
<p>Submit copy of this form with check made payable to Rotary District 5790. Mail checks to Dan Morales, 4304 Kenwood Ct., Fort Worth, TX 76103</p>	