



## **FACT SHEET FOR ROTARY CLUBS AND APPLICANTS DISTRICT 7410 RYLA CONFERENCE 2024**

The Rotary Youth Leadership Award (RYLA) conference is a week-long summer program for high school students entering their Junior Year who exhibit leadership potential in their school and community. RYLA is a highly-curated program that provides leadership training. From ice-breakers and team-building activities to motivational speakers and hands-on workshops, RYLA offers the opportunity to connect with peers while learning valuable leadership lessons.

The curriculum introduces participants to concepts and ideas that develop and strengthen personal assessment and goal setting; time management; communication; problem solving and interpersonal relationships.

The schedule is full of activities that engage the conferees physically, mentally, and emotionally to strengthen their relationship skills, build their confidence, and give them the tools they need to be leaders.

### **RYLA Application and Conference Details**

**APPLICATIONS:** Application must be received by the RYLA Registrar by April 15, 2024.

**FEE:** Students are sponsored by the Rotary Club. Cost is \$375 per participant due from sponsoring clubs. There is no cost to the student and their family. Payments are due May 1<sup>st</sup>, 2024. Up to eight participants per club, if slots are available. Non-refundable after May 15<sup>th</sup>. Late fee of \$25 per application after this deadline. Applications are online and submitted by the student directly to the RYLA Registrar.

**Dates of Conference:** Sunday, June 23<sup>rd</sup> through Thursday, June 27<sup>th</sup>, 2024.

**Location:** Keystone College, La Plume, PA

**Participant arrival time:** Sunday, June 23<sup>rd</sup> between 2:30 and 3:15 PM

**Departure time:** Thursday, June 27<sup>th</sup> at 5:30 PM

### **RYLA applicant qualifications/expectations:**

- Good academic record with demonstrated leadership potential/qualities at school and community.
- Submits correctly completed Application (see Application link page)
- Selected and sponsored by local Rotary Club, approved by District RYLA Committee
- Conferees will attend the entire Conference.

### **Sponsoring Rotary Club responsibilities: (start NOW)**

- Promote RYLA in community; interview and-or select qualified students
- Ensure timely submission of correctly completed application to RYLA Registrar
- Ensure reliable round-trip transportation to Conference for all sponsored students
- Club Presidents identify club contact to District RYLA Registrar

### **Ways Rotarians can help:**

- Submit local RYLA stories to media for coverage. TOOT your own horn!
- Identify dynamic local speakers that might enhance the RYLA Program
- Provide post Conference opportunity for student(s) to share experience with the Club

**Visitors:** Rotarians and parents/guardians are welcome to visit the conference.

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