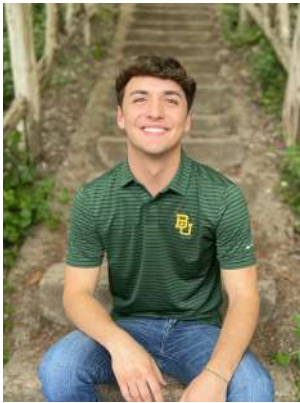


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Rotary District 5870 - Central Texas
RYLA 2026 Core Staff



CORE Team:



Howdy! My name is **Cutter**, and I am from the small southern town of Yoakum, TX. These days, I call Waco home, where I work and attend Baylor University (Sic 'Em Bears!). I'm so excited to serve as one of your Program Directors for camp this summer and walk alongside each of you as you dive into the crazy, wild, fun, and totally unexpected journey that is RYLA! When I'm not at camp, you can usually find me at work (I love my job, ask me about it!), vintage/thrift shopping with an iced coffee in hand, playing pickleball, hanging out with friends, or spending time with my son... my dog, Finn! (Yes, I'd love to show you a photo of him, just ask!) Don't be a stranger, come say hi!



Hi there! I'm **Jen**, Program Director! I'm from Hutto, TX! I was a camper 10 years ago!! That's a lot of years at RYLA, and I have loved every minute of it. A few things I like are movies, F1, and national parks. Come chat to me about any of them! Excited to see you all experience camp. :)



Hey, I'm **Arnold**. I'm from Pflugerville, Texas, and I graduated from UT Austin where I studied accounting. I moved to San Francisco earlier this year and have been enjoying exploring a new city. Some facts about me... I recently discovered my love for bouldering, and now I'm in the climbing gym almost every other day of the week. One of my bucket list items is hiking all 63 U.S. National Parks. My go-to karaoke songs are I Want It That Way and Tennessee Whiskey. I want to meet as many of you as possible, so come say hi. Happy to talk about anything - college, football, TV, music, food, travel, whatever. See you out there!



Hi! I'm **Vic** from Georgetown TX! This is my millionth year on staff (lol). I went to high school in Jarrell, TX and recently finished up college at Angelo State University! I love anything that has to do with pokemon, reading, arts and crafts or the outdoors! I'm so excited to meet all of you, be sure to come say hello!



Hey! I'm **McKenna** and I was born and raised in Austin, Texas near Lake Travis. I am currently on my long academic journey at the University of Pittsburgh studying Bioengineering and prosthetic devices. H2P baby!!!! I have been a Camp Activity Counselor for many years now, and am so happy to be one of your head CACs (with my amazing co-CAC Morgan)! I love talking about my work, playing soccer and basketball, and taking photographs. I know all about college out of state and navigating a big city, so feel free to ask me some questions. Please come by and say hi! I would love to meet you!



Hi!! My name is **Morgan**, and I'm from Marble Falls, TX. I now live in Waco, where I attend Baylor University (SIC 'EM)! I'm beyond excited to serve as one of your Head Camp Activity Counselors this summer and to be part of your RYLA experience. When I'm not in class or planning for camp, you'll usually find me at a sporting event, learning the guitar, in a coffee shop, or hanging out with friends. I'm so excited to meet you — come say hi!



Howdy howdy! I'm **Charlie**, camp grandma and go to Mary Poppins for anything you might need. I live in Austin, TX with my little old chihuahua Cowboy. I work in the events industry doing just about anything that needs to be done, but mainly making sure our clients are happy. This will be my 7th year(? I think lol) on staff and I am super excited to be back into it! Come say hi and ask me anything you'd like to know!

Camp Activity Counselors (CACs):



Hello! My name is **Abel**, this is my fourth year on staff and I am so excited to be at camp with y'all! I am currently attending UT San Antonio pursuing a degree in Statistics and Data Science, and that means I very much value my time at RYLA because it gives me a break from most things related to statistics. Things I enjoy in my free time include various physical pursuits (especially running), occasional video games with my siblings, hiking with my dogs, and spending quality time with friends and family. I am glad to be spending this time at camp with y'all and cannot wait to meet. Welcome to RYLA!!!



Hi! I'm **Alexa** from Pflugerville, TX where I graduated from Weiss High School. I am currently going to Texas Tech University (Wreck em!) with a major in nursing. This is my first year on staff and I am so excited! I love running marathons, cheerleading, and music. I am so excited for this week and can't wait to meet everyone!



Howdy. I'm **Bryson**, I'm from a pretty small town called Milano, it's in-between Austin and College Station. I'm a student at the University of Texas at San Antonio where I'm studying education. I am also a lumberjack, I will likely mention being a lumberjack several times during your time here at camp, prepare yourself. Anyways, don't be a stranger. I quite enjoy getting to talk to people and I can't wait to meet you all.



Hi! My name is **De'Asia**. I'm from Waco, TX. I'm currently in school for real estate but by camp I will be a licensed REALTOR. Some of my favorite things to do are play Sims, read and hang with friends. I was a camper 4 years ago and I'm so excited to be back!



Hi! I'm **Erin**, and I graduated from Yoakum High School in Yoakum, TX, and I'm attending Texas State University in San Marcos studying Elementary Education. This is my first year on staff, and I enjoy reading, crocheting, baking, and spending time with friends. I'm excited to meet everyone and have a great week! I'm open to chat any time you'd like!



Hey everyone! My name is **Fatima**, and I'm from Burnet, Texas where I graduated from Burnet High School. This is my first year on RYLA staff, and I'm super excited to be here! I'm currently working toward getting my bachelor's degree in law so I can later attend law school and become an immigration lawyer. I hope y'all are just as excited as I am to be here!!!



Hey there, my name is **Frances** and this year I am one of the CACs! I am from the small town of Shiner, Texas and this will be my 1st year in staff! I love Dr. Pepper, running, crocheting, reading, Gilmore Girls, Taco Bell, and Jesus! Fun fact: I hate bacon unless it's on a breakfast taco:) I love to talk about everything so if you see me just say hi!



Yo what up, I'm **Juvenal** (WHO-VEN-ALL)! This is my second year on staff! I'm currently getting my basics done at ACC, and some of my interests include being active, partaking in the art of theatre, and trying to be as cool as Leland. I'd love to meet all of you, so come introduce yourself and if you're up to the challenge show me your acting skills.



Hi!!!! I'm **Kiran** from Austin, TX where I graduated from Westwood High School. I'm currently a student at the MIT of the south (UT Dallas) where I am studying Information Technology and Audio Production. I play and write music, draw, dance, and love listening to RnB, K-Pop, and Electronic music. I am looking forward to meeting you all - feel free to come talk to me, I would love to meet you!



Hi!! My name is **Lauren**, and I'm from Austin, Texas. I'm currently a student at Texas A&M University studying Electrical Engineering. I was a camper two years ago, and I'm so excited to be back for my first year on staff! In my free time, I love swimming and talking about airplanes (I love anything aviation) and hope to become a pilot someday. I'm looking forward to this week and can't wait to meet everyone!

Counselors & Assistant Counselors:

Cabin 1:



Howdy! I'm **Zoë** from Milano Texas. I graduated from Milano High School and now I am currently attending Texas A&M where I whoop and yell! Right now, I'm studying Journalism in hopes of becoming a news broadcaster. I couldn't be more excited for my third year on staff! I love movies, pickleball, and anything related to One Direction. Please come talk to me about literally anything! I'm so excited to meet everyone!



My name is **Jekiyra**, but you can call me Kyra! I'm from Gulfport, MS and graduated from Harker Heights High School here in Texas! Now I attend Prairie View A&M University (GO PANTHERS!), where I am studying Business Management. I enjoy going to the gym, building Lego sets, and listening to music. This is my first year on staff, and I'm so excited to meet everyone, make new memories, and have an amazing time at camp!



Hi! My name is **Timber**, a falling tree, and I am so excited to be on staff for RYLA this year. I am from the small town of Hallettsville, where I spend my time outdoors tending to cattle and hunting. Additionally, I love hanging out with friends, playing sports like tennis and golf, or I at least try to play golf, listening to music and playing piano. Also, I love spending my time socializing with family. This will be my 2nd year on staff and I can't wait to meet you! I've been told I'm occasionally funny.



Hey everybody! I'm **Ben** and this is my first year on RYLA staff which I am so thrilled for! In my spare time (when I'm not playing with my dog), I enjoy going to the movies, playing tennis, and I LOVE a good roadtrip. Something cool about me that you might not know, at least not yet... is that I can name any song from Glee in under 5 seconds! Anyways, see y'all at camp!! Don't be a stranger!

Cabin 2:



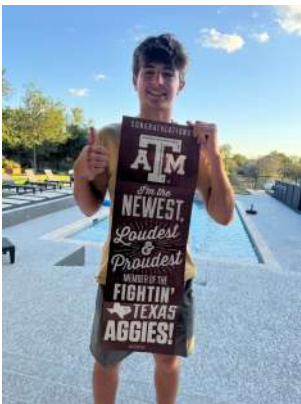
Hey y'all!!!! My name is **Mackenzie**, and I am from Taylor, TX!!! I currently live in the best Texas, aka West Texas, where I attended Texas Tech University, Wreck 'Em!!! I've been on staff since 2023 #old!!! When I'm not catching prairie dogs, you can find me with my friends where we love having movie nights, mainly rom-coms!!! I really love ""grandma"" hobbies like baking banana bread, needlepoint, and Mahjong!! Come say hi if you want to learn about the best temperature to make banana bread!!!



Hi!!! My name is **Lily** and I'm from Austin, TX! I am a student at Boston University studying International Relations and Art! I love painting, singing, cooking, and I love anything studio Ghibli!!! I looove to yap so come and say hi!



Hey everyone! I'm **Leland**, and I'm from the Belton/Temple area. This is my second year on staff and I'm so excited!! Some things I enjoy are playing tennis, listening to music (I am an avid CD collector), writing, and trying to be as awesome as Juvenal. I'd love to meet all of you, so introduce yourself to me and, if you're up to the challenge, impress me with your poetry skills!



Hi! I'm **Rylee** from Marble Falls, TX. I'm attending A&M for business and plan to go into law. This is my first year on staff and I love to go fishing, golfing and hanging out with my friends. Come say hi!

Cabin 3:



Hi! I'm **Dru** from Yoakum, Texas. This is my third year on staff, and I couldn't be more grateful for this opportunity! I recently graduated from a local nursing program, and I now work full-time in the Emergency Room while also working on completing my Bachelor's degree. I have a deep passion for helping and serving those around me. I love to travel, my husband and I are in the process of visiting all 63 of the national parks together! I am so excited to meet you all!



Hi! My name is **Lyla** and I'm from Austin Texas! I graduated from Westwood High School and I am currently going to the University of Texas at San Antonio where I am an Honors student in Biology. I did 4 amazing years of colorguard and marching band in high school and I was on leadership for the last two. I love drawing, reading long books, and spending time with my 3 younger siblings! I am always ready to learn new things and make new friends!



Howdy! I am **AJ** from Yoakum, TX! I am currently the loudest and proudest Texas A&M Aggie studying Animal Science! WHOOP! This will be my 4th year participating on staff. I love sports, beekeeping, and Dairy Queen. Come ask me about it, I want to meet everybody! Gig'em!



Hello!! I'm **Lucas** from Hallettsville, Texas. I love music, sports (Go Arsenal), and the outdoors. I'm always down for a good competition, conversation, and anything involving nature! I'm so excited for camp and can't wait to make some great memories this week!

Cabin 4:



Hey!!! My name is **Arianne**, and I'm from Pflugerville, TX. I'm currently a student at The University of Texas at Austin studying business - #Hook'em! I am a big fan of crafting, sweet treats, concerts, my guitar, journaling, and thrifting. This summer I've been learning how to play the drums! Excited to be back at camp, and so happy you're here! :)



Hi y'all! I'm **Maya** and I'm from Austin, TX. I'm attending Oberlin College in Ohio where I play soccer and major in political science! This is my first year on staff and I'm so beyond excited to get to know everyone better!



Hiii I'm **Perkins**, I'm from Austin and I study Biomedical Engineering and Constitutional Law at Texas A&M. I work with kids in juvenile counseling and do research using material science to explore early signs of depression! with the goal of becoming a pediatric psychiatrist. Outside of that, I'm training for my first Ironman 70.3, baking for my mom, and excited to meet y'all and have a great summer at camp.



Hey! I'm **Xavier** from Temple, TX where I graduated from Temple High School and I am currently attending Texas State. I am studying nursing!!! I was a camper here once but every year I'm excited to be back on staff. I love all kinds of active activities to get the body moving! Don't be scared to come say hi!

Cabin 5:



Hi!!!! My name is **Natalie** and I am from Marble Falls TX, but I'm currently a student at Ole Miss (The University of Mississippi.) Hotty Toddy!! This is my second year on staff. I'm really looking forward to this week and getting to know everyone, so don't hesitate to come say hello!!



Howdy!! I'm **Sam** and I am from the small town of Yoakum, TX! I attend the wonderful Texas A&M University (GIG'EM) where I am majoring in Neuroscience. I love being active (whether it be workouts, running, sports, or being outside), volunteering, sweet treats, drawing, and trying new things! This will be my 2nd year on staff and I'm so excited for a week full of fun memories. I'd love to meet any and all of you!



Kaselehlie (hello)! I'm **EJ**, and I'm so excited to be part of your camp experience! I'm originally from the island of Pohnpei but I have called Texas home for the past 14 years. I've been a part of RYLA for almost a decade! Making sure you feel welcomed, supported, and have an unforgettable time is my top priority. Outside of camp, I work in luxury fashion as a stylist, which basically means I love helping people feel confident and look their best. I'm a plant dad of 25 plants and 1 fur baby. You'll probably catch me laughing, dancing, checking in on everyone, or making sure the vibes are just right. Come say hi I'm here for you!



Hey y'all, my name is **Jaxon** and this is my second year on RYLA staff! I am currently going to Texas A&M University (Gig 'em) for Financial Planning. I love all things music, and my top 4 right now are Don Toliver, Childish Gambino, Third Eye Blind, and Wallows. If you wanna put me on to some of your music, don't be afraid to give a shout. I'm looking forward to meeting all of you!