



What is RYLA?

RYLA, Rotary Youth Leadership Award, is an intensive training program for young community leaders. Young people chosen for their leadership potential attend an all-expenses-paid experience to explore leadership skills and to practice those skills through application. Individual Rotary Clubs select the participants, pay their expenses, and insure transportation to and from RYLA.

RYLA's Core Curriculum includes . . .

- Fundamentals of leadership
- Ethics of positive leadership
- Importance of communication skills in effective leadership
- Problem solving and conflict management
- Rotary's purpose and service to the community
- Building self-confidence and self esteem
- Elements of community and global citizenship

About RYLA Seminars . . .

During this intensive program, keynote speakers from various professions, and perhaps even a few Rotarians, address the participants on issues that are particularly relevant to the development of strong personal and leadership qualities. Much time is devoted to activities that provide for participants to get to know each other and to work together on group projects. Evenings are devoted to various entertainments, such as recreational activities and social events.

STAFF . . .

The program will be directed by Rotary professionals, who are assisted by qualified educators. In addition, lectures and discussions will be presented by experts and leaders in various aspects of the community.

District 7360 RYLA candidates are . . .

- Current high school sophomores or juniors entering their junior or senior year in the fall
- In good academic standing
- Cooperative in nature but willing to take charge
- Excited about meeting new friends
- Interested in having fun
- In possession of leadership ability, strong communication skills, and the aptitude for seeing what needs to be done and stepping up to do it – OR show the potential for developing these attributes

What have past participants had to say about RYLA?

- "This is a great camp and has really prepared me for my last high school year and future college years!"
- "I am so glad I came - it was an amazing, unforgettable experience."
- "I had the time of my life. Thanks!"
- "I liked being thrown into an unexpected situation and getting to know everyone."
- "I enjoyed the experience to meet and interact w/ leaders like me! I liked learning things that I can take back to my school."
- "I liked meeting all of the new and interesting people from our Rotary District. Also, I liked learning more about myself."
- "I liked the experience of working with my generation's leaders. It was very refreshing."



**Rotary Youth Leadership Awards
ROTARY DISTRICT 7360
JUNE 18 – 21, 2017
JUNIATA COLLEGE, HUNTINGDON, PA**

To Be Returned by March 31, 2017 - Please type or print clearly- Nametags and Certificates are produced from this form so correct spelling is a must!

Sponsoring Club: _____

Please return completed form to Your Rotary Representative: _____
(Club Chair Name)

Section 1 – Personal Information

Participant Full Name: _____ Male/Female: _____

Preferred Name for Nametag: _____

Email Address: _____

Home Address: _____
Street City State Zip Code

Home Phone: (____) _____ Cell Phone: (____) _____

High School: _____ In Fall 2017, I will be entering _____ grade.

Shirt Size: XXL _____ XL _____ L _____ M _____ S _____

Dietary/Medical Restrictions: _____

Section 2 – Emergency Contact Information

Emergency Contact Person for Participant: _____

Daytime Phone: (____) _____ Evening: (____) _____ Cell: (____) _____

Contact Person Address (if different from participant's address): _____

Relationship to Participant: _____

Parent/Guardian: (if not emergency contact listed above): _____

Daytime Phone: (____) _____ Evening: (____) _____ Cell: (____) _____

As a parent or legal guardian of the participant, I do hereby release and discharge ROTARY, and their representatives from any and all claims arising from participant's involvement in this event. I also give my full permission for the use of participant's name and photograph in this event. I also give my full permission for such first aid as deemed necessary to be provided to participant on the premises or prior to transport to a hospital for further treatment.*

Parent's Printed Name: _____

Parent's Signature and Date: _____

Club Chairs: Return **ONLY this page** for selected participants to: Ann Dunlavy, 7703 William Penn Hwy, Huntingdon, PA 16652, ann@lincolncaverns.com NO LATER THAN April 30, 2017

Applicants: Please continue to the next page.

Please complete the following. If additional space is needed, you may add a separate page.

WORK EXPERIENCE: Summers / After School:

ACADEMIC ACCOMPLISHMENTS: Honor Roll, Awards, Special Classes, Concentrations, etc.

OUTSIDE SCHOOL INTERESTS, HOBBIES, TALENT, AND RECREATION:

(We are going to have a coffee house/talent show – would you be interested in participating? (Yes / No)

On a separate page, please compose a short essay on why you should be chosen as a RYLA participant and what you hope to gain from such an experience.