

THE ROTARY CONNECTION

Rotary is one of the largest international service associations, with over 29,000 clubs in more than 160 countries. Its members are dedicated to humanitarian service, high ethical standards in their personal and professional life, and the promotion of world understanding and peace.



One of the goals of Rotary is to help young people develop their leadership abilities and self-confidence to the fullest. To accomplish this goal, Rotary clubs prepare thousands of young leaders through Rotary Youth Leadership Awards (RYLA) programs each year. RYLA events are organized and facilitated by Rotary volunteers.

Rotary clubs also sponsor other, complementary programs for young people. They include Rotaract (a service club for young adults) , Interact (a service club for high school students) , Youth Exchange (a chance to live and study abroad) , and Ambassadorial Scholarships (for university or post- university study abroad).



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ROTARY YOUTH



ROTARY DISTRICT 5340

SERVING:

San Diego County, Imperial County,
and Blythe in Riverside County

Rotary District 5340

WHAT IS RYLA?

The Rotary Youth Leadership Awards (RYLA) Conference is an intensive training program for up and coming community youth leaders. These young adults, chosen for their leadership potential, are privileged to attend an all-expenses-paid leadership training program designed to build, strengthen and fine-tune leadership skill used in all aspects of business, community, and life. RYLA events and programs often include recreational and cultural activities which emphasize leadership skills, and personal development.

The program, which is organized and sponsored by Rotary, was officially adopted by Rotary International in 1971, and has since proven to be one of the most sought after and highly recognized training programs of its kind. In fact, colleges are now looking for it on applications.

Each year, thousands of high school Juniors, like yourself, take part in this experience worldwide. You will be joined by talented young people from other communities in your area. RYLA provides a memorable opportunity to learn, grow and have fun, while making some new friends along the way. Those who attend a RYLA program are generally better able to successfully manage their own lives, careers and make a mark on society.

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WHAT DOES RYLA FOCUS ON?

RYLA focuses on leadership and professional development. The purpose of RYLA is to give high school juniors an opportunity to listen and exchange ideas with other outstanding community and student leaders. RYLA core curriculum includes:

- ? Fundamentals of leadership
- ? Ethics of positive leadership
- ? Importance of communication skills in effective leadership
- ? Problem-solving and conflict management
- ? Building self-confidence and self-esteem
- ? Elements of community and global citizenship



the experience,



RYLA



the knowledge,



the fun...



DURING THE RYLA EXPERIENCE YOU...

- ? Gain exposure to issues, and exchange ideas with thoughtful people like yourself, in an atmosphere free from distraction.
- ? Explore new career paths or learn more about your chosen field through discussions with successful adults.
- ? Learn how to arrange youth activities and service projects in your community.
- ? Discuss creative approaches for resolving family, social, and professional conflicts.
- ? Get to know Rotary decision-makers in your community and find out more about other Rotary programs for young people.

INQUIRIES

For inquiries, please find a list of all high schools at www.rylaconference.com. Attached to each high school is contact information for the Rotary Club representing that school.

HOW TO APPLY FOR RYLA

All RYLA participants are selected and sponsored by their local Rotary club. Don't miss the chance to participate in this exciting and rewarding program. To obtain all the information you will need to apply for this unforgettable experience:

1. Review the information at www.rylaconference.com including objectives, requirements and code of conduct. If you wish to apply go to the student site and complete the application.
2. Print the application and review it carefully. You and your parent or guardian sign the application. Be sure to complete the essay on leadership.
3. Submit the application to your local Rotary Club or school contact.
4. All the applicants will go through a interview and selection process.
5. Selected applicants will be notified in writing by their local Rotary Club.
6. If selected, applicants must commit to attend and participate in the entire 3 days of the RYLA Conference. Dates can be found at www.rylaconference.com