

LETTER OF UNDERSTANDING
2022-23 Arizona Rotary Leadership
Academy

I understand graduation from the Arizona Rotary Leadership Academy (RLA) requires the successful completion of these six (6) courses. Depending upon the course, they will require approximately 8 to 12 hours to complete.

- September Course: **How Rotary Works (RI, zones and districts) and the Leadership History of Arizona Districts (D5495 and D5500)**. This is an exploration of how Rotary is organized and a review of Arizona's Rotary district leaders and their contributions to our districts.
- October Course: **Understanding and Utilizing "The Rotary Foundation" (TRF)**. An orientation to the programs of TRF, how they relate to Rotary International, and how they can be accessed and utilized by Rotary clubs to accomplish their goals.
- November Course: **Collaboration and Funding to Meet Needs**. Helping leaders to think about tackling and funding larger needs that are beyond the abilities and resources of a single club, and often require extending beyond a single Rotary year.

Coursework for September, October and November is due December 31, _____.

- January Course: **Pathways to Rotary**: Rotary International has approved several new/innovative club membership types and club models. Become familiar with resources for membership development and explore strategies for attracting, engaging, and retaining members.
- February Course: **Rotary Brand: Becoming a Rotary Brand Champion**. Rotarians understand the importance of promoting Rotary as a worldwide organization of "People of Action," committed to uniting to take action to create lasting change across the globe, in our communities and in ourselves.
- March Course: **Rotary's Fiduciary Responsibilities, and Youth Protection**. What are Rotary Clubs' responsibilities to its members, its contributors, its community, the government and to Rotary International. How can financial liabilities be evaluated and minimized, and youth protection responsibilities maintained?

Coursework for January, February and March is due by April 30., _____.

I understand I must have access to a personal computer, the internet and have a valid email address to participate in RLA. Additionally, I understand that I will participate in a learning cohort group associated with the Rotary interests I identify. These learning groups typically meet monthly for one hour.

The RLA Orientation workshop will be convened online on August 27, _____.

I will graduate from the Academy after I have completed the RLA graduation requirements. It is projected that there will be a Graduation recognition activity after June 1, _____. It has typically been at my District's conference or other District event.

I understand participation in additional Rotary related meetings may also be required, as determined by the RLA Faculty.

I understand a tuition fee of **\$60** is due, along with the nomination form and this letter, at the time of RLA application submittal.

Understanding these requirements, I hereby request that my name be placed in nomination for the _____ Arizona Rotary Leadership Academy program.

Print name: _____

Signature (typed name or signature): _____

Date:

Rotary Club:

District:

Please **email** this signed letter and the completed Nomination Form as attachments to:
Gene Medina at otivar2@gmail.com by August 15, _____

Please **mail** your Tuition Fee (\$60) to:
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Please direct any comments/questions to the Arizona RLA Dean, Gene Medina, (360) 509-9980 or otivar2@gmail.com