**Rotary Youth Leadership Award (RYLA) Application**

**High School Candidate Information Form** **RYLA Program**

**Section 1: Candidate's Information** (Please **TYPE** all information inside the boxes and then print to sign)
(**NO HANDWRITTEN** applications will be accepted)

Last Name | First Name | Nick Name | Gender

Home Address | City | State | Zip Code

Cell # | E-mail address | High School Attending | Grad. Year

Awards & Recognitions | Special Interests / Talents

Parents Name

Full Address

Phone #s Home # Cell #

**Section II**

Health Insurance Co. Policy #

List any limiting physical Disabilities or conditions, allergies, medication and special dietary needs

**Requirements:** All applicants are expected to be in good physical condition and to participate in all camp activities, including those which are somewhat strenuous. It is the parents' responsibility to update, in writing, any and all information including medical issues prior to arrival.

Emergency Contact person | Relationship

Phone # Home # Work # Cell #

**Candidate Signature & Date**

**Parent / Guardian Signature** (required for students under 18 years old) Date

**Return all pages to the sponsoring Rotary Club**

**Rotary Club Endorsement: Please type in all information**

**The Rotary Club of** _____ **will sponsor the above**

_____ _____

Type in Club President or RYLA Chair name Signature

E-Mail address _____

The local Rotary Club is to mail in the completed application form (all pages) with all signatures and with a check for $750 payable to Rotary District 7120 to:

Julie Carney
257 Linden St
Avon, NY 14414

If you have any questions please contact Julie Carney, District 7120 RYLA Chair by:

E-mail: juliecarney7120@gmail.com OR Phone: (585) 519-9466 (cell)

Write an essay in which you address the following essential question:

"What does it mean to be a good leader?"

In your essay be sure to include the following:

- Your definition of leadership;
- Attributes of a good leader;
- How you currently serve as a leader in your school and/or community;
- What you hope to learn at RYLA that would help you to become a better / more effective leader.

**(If more space is needed for your essay, please continue below.)**

LEADERSHIP RESPONSIBILITY CONDUCT GUIDE FOR HIGH SCHOOL RYLA

I UNDERSTAND THAT

1. I have made a commitment to attend the RYLA camp and will notify the sponsoring Rotary Club immediately if conflicts arise.
2. I may not arrive late or leave the camp earlier than the camp's schedule.
3. I shall attend all meetings, activities, and meals. Meals are to be eaten with other camp participants and I shall be responsible for cleaning my area after the meal.
4. I MUST SLEEP in the dormitory room to which I am assigned. LIGHTS OUT is at the scheduled time and means I shall be quiet thereafter.
5. There are separate dormitory areas for males and for females. This is for the privacy and security of all concerned.
6. Recreation activities are limited to those periods of the day and evening scheduled for such activities.
7. If any person is injured or becomes ill, I will contact immediately the Camp Coordinator or the Camp Mom/Pop.
8. I will report any damage or breakage immediately to the Camp Mom/Pop.
9. SMOKING IS PROHIBITED. This is to respect the health of all participants and because of the potential fire hazard.
10. ANY MEDICATIONS, whether prescribed or "over the counter" must be identified on the container. Unidentified medications, alcohol, weapons or cigarettes found in the possession of any participant will be confiscated.
11. Foul or abusive language (including anything of a discriminatory nature) will not be tolerated nor will physical violence or threats thereof be allowed.
12. Any sexual or lewd misconduct by and/or between myself and other participants will be considered unacceptable behavior.
13. I MAY NOT leave the camp area FOR ANY reason without the permission of the Mom/Pop.
14. Confidentiality is important. Anything you have shared or shared with your camp group should remain in that group; however, camp leaders are mandated by law to report any suicide or abuse issues to the proper authorities.
15. I am to conduct myself in all sessions, activities, in the dining hall, in sports and in the dormitory in a manner, which will bring credit to my school, my sponsoring Rotary Club, my family, myself and which will not cause injury to another person.
16. I will present a program on RYLA to my sponsoring Rotary Club.

I have read the GUIDE and do hereby agree and commit to honoring them. SHOULD MY CONDUCT BE CONSIDERED UNACCEPTABLE AT ANY TIME AT THE DISCRETION OF THE CAMP LEADERS, OR SHOULD I TRANSGRESS ANY OF THE CODES STATED ABOVE, I UNDERSTAND THAT I WILL BE DISMISSED FROM THE CONFERENCE AND WILL BE SENT HOME.

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| **Participant Signature** | **Date** |
| **Parent/Guardian signature** | **Date** |