

Help us train the next generation of **Leaders**

80 High School Juniors

16 High School Seniors

50 Rotarians

One Unforgettable Weekend at Camp Rotary in Boxford, MA

“I was so scared, terrified, of climbing the high ropes. And then I did it. No problem. It made me wonder what else I was scared of that I could probably do anyway” – 2009 RYLA participant

Experience the weekend
Create Lifelong Friendships
Inspire Leadership Awareness
Change Lives
Here in District 7930

“I had a blast; I mean the weekend was so much fun. I made some great friends. And then during my next year at school I noticed I was using the skills I had learned at RYLA. I thought WOW! I was having so much fun I didn't realize I was learning useful skills.” – 2009 RYLA participant

 **Rotary Youth Leadership Awards**

Gone are the days of the authoritative style of command and control leadership.

Great leaders **employ a wide range** of skills

Encourage individuals to find their own voice and

Promote the skills and abilities of their team members

Leaders must **practice** these skills **with other leaders**

Juniors learn from **each other** and grow as **individuals** by

Working together in a variety of **challenging situations**

The **Experience Impact** discussion after every activity

Creates a **safe, open, nurturing** environment

Where students can **learn** and **grow**

Support the next generation of leaders in your community!

<http://www.rotary7930.org/RYLA.cfm>



The RYLA Chair

Recruits High School **Juniors** who have demonstrated **leadership potential**
Each Rotary club can sponsor up to **five** students for **\$125 per student**

RYLA Recruiting Checklist

- Jan 9: **Attend** RYLA kick off meeting
- Jan 15: **Identify** the High School Representatives
 - Junior Class Counselor or others who know all the Juniors
 - At any *High School* or *Vocational School* serving your town
- Feb 16: **Meet** with that representative
 - Describe our unique leadership program. Show the RYLA DVD
 - No cost to school system, feather in cap for administrators.
 - Ask them to identify Juniors with **Leadership Potential** and **Community Awareness**
- Feb 23: **Identify** the **Rotarian** to represent your club at RYLA
 - Half day commitment at Camp Rotary during RYLA weekend
 - See sign-up sheet for volunteer opportunities
 - Email** Rotarian application to ryla7930@yahoo.com
- Feb 27: School representative **identifies** strong RYLA candidates
- Mar 16: **Meet** with those candidates
 - Congratulate them on being chosen as finalists for this award
 - Invite past RYLA students to share their life-changing experiences
 - Show the DVD, Distribute the brochures, Hand out applications
 - Together with the past RYLA students, answer any questions
 - The firm deadline for student applications is March 31
 - Consult as needed: Evan (617) 441-4311, Andy (617) 794-9797
- Mar 30: **Collect** applications from the school representative
- Apr 6: **Choose** up to **five** students to attend RYLA
 - Pick the **best** students who can attend the **entire** RYLA weekend
 - 4pm Friday to 4pm Sunday
- Apr 13: **Mail** applications and check (to District 7930) for \$125 per student to RYLA c/o ImprovAndy
 - PO Box 37
 - Arlington, MA 02476
- Apr 30: Students **receive** a RYLA welcome packet
- May 14-16: **RYLA Weekend**
- ⊛ Week of May 18: **Invite** students to share RYLA experiences at your club meeting

Thank you for supporting RYLA!

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