



The District 6200 RYLA Program is rapidly approaching, it is scheduled this year for June 6 – 9, 2019. The Rotary Youth Leadership Award (RYLA) provides outstanding student leaders an opportunity to expand and hone their leadership and teamwork skills, the four-day program will be held at Bayou Segnette State Park. The program is staffed and operated by volunteer Rotarians from District 6200.

The objectives of RYLA are:

- a) To provide an atmosphere in which future leaders will experience challenges that will aid them in developing sound values.
- b) To promote an environment that will provide each individual with a basis for insight and understanding for intelligent leadership.
- c) To expose the youth leaders to some opportunities and challenges of life.
- d) To introduce youth leaders to Rotary principles and Rotary youth programs.
- e) To promote involvement that encourages the participants to think through and arbitrate conflicts of values.

The Program is designed for incoming and outgoing 11th graders, graduating seniors, both male and female are eligible to apply. This is one of the few Rotary sponsored events that children, grandchildren and family members of Rotarians can attend.

RYLA consists of:

- Leadership and teamwork training via:
 - Outstanding speakers from all over District.
 - Discussion groups.
 - Discussion sessions with fellow RYLarians and Rotarian staff members.
 - Peace Advocacy Training, participants will receive a certificate of completion.
- Activities include:
 - Daily competitions among groups.
 - Team-building projects.
 - Indoor and Outdoor activities.
- Fellowship with student leader peers. RYLarians make friends that will last a lifetime.

A Hard Copy of the Club Program guide has been mailed to each of the clubs in the District. This guide includes General Information, the Purpose and Objectives of RYLA, Important Facts, Club Responsibilities, ideas on how to recruit and select participants and the required forms that are to be filled out and returned to the District Office.

The Club Participation Form is due no later than March 1 along with the payment for each participant.

1. Attached to this email are electronic copies of the:
2. 2019 Program Guide
3. 2019 Participant Handbook (Hardcopy to be mailed to the clubs in February, the participants must bring this Handbook to RYLA.)
4. Club Participation Form – Due no later than March 1
5. Participant Application Form including Statement of Health form, and the Liability Release Form – these forms are due no later than May 1.

Items 3, 4, 5 and 6 can be filled out electronically and emailed back to the District Office at Rotary6200@lusfiber.net. However, the forms can be mailed to the District Office at:

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All of these documents can be found on the District 6200 Webpage using the link <https://rotary6200.org/district-documents/>

Folder: 2019 RYLA

If you have interest in volunteering in some capacity or would like more information on the Program, please contact:

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