

What is the Rotary Youth Leadership Awards (RYLA)?

RYLA is a 3-day leadership training opportunity that focuses on the personal and professional development of high school students. Leadership skills, concepts and metaphors are explored through participatory outdoor-based activities that include trust building and relationship exercises, problem-solving initiatives, and low and high challenge course experiences.

When and where does it take place?

RYLA takes place at Camp Manito-wish YMCA in Boulder Junction, WI.

RYLA 2025 runs from 10:00am Friday, October 3rd, to 2:00pm Sunday October 5th.

Why does it exist?

Participants, the leaders of tomorrow, deserve the opportunity to be exposed to the principles of leadership that are learned not inherited. RYLA provides an enjoyable and valuable experience for those who meet the challenge to lead from their hearts. This conference is dedicated to helping individuals build meaningful connections, unleash their true abilities, and leave after only three days feeling refreshed and driven to have a positive impact on the world around them.

The purpose of RYLA is to:

- 1. Encourage, assist and train selected youth leaders in leadership to help them realize their potential and how powerful and impactful they can be.
- 2. Facilitate the creation of meaningful interpersonal connections.
- 3. Publicly recognize the commendable qualities of the many young people who are already starting their journeys in making a difference in the world around them.
- 4. Demonstrate Rotary's investment, respect, and concern for youth.

At RYLA, participants will:

- Learn and practice the fundamentals of collaborative leadership
- Understand the importance of heart felt communication
- Build confidence (in self and others) and self-esteem
- Practice problem solving and conflict management
- Examine the ethics of positive leadership
- Transfer leadership skills and create an action plan for their future

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