

Rotary Youth Leadership Awards (RYLA) Camper Registration Forms
 January 31- February 2, 2020

If you are selected, the sponsoring Rotary Club will pay the \$300 RYLA registration fee inclusive of food, lodging and program fees, and will coordinate with you for transportation to the Camp. If you have questions about the camp, please contact the Rotarian below.

Sponsoring local Rotary Club: _____

Rotarian contact name: _____

Rotarian's Email: _____ Rotarian's Phone: _____

FOR ROCC OFFICE USE ONLY: Date App. Rec'd: _____ **Date Pmt. Rec'd:** _____

1. Student Camper Information

The following application should be completed and **signed by the student and parent**. Please complete on your computer or print legibly. Return to the high school counselor within **two weeks**.

Candidate _____ Alternate _____

Student's Name: _____ Male _____ Female _____

Preferred Name: _____ Grade _____ Age: _____

School: _____ City: _____

Student Email: _____

Home Phone: (____) _____ Student Cell Phone: (____) _____

Facebook Name: _____

(Much of the communication with campers will be through Facebook, Email and Text. Please include)

Parent/Guardian Name: _____

Parent/Guardian Cell phone: (____) _____, Parent Email: _____

Adult T-Shirt size: S _____ M _____ L _____ XL _____ 2XL _____ 3 XL _____ 4 XL _____

Why student wants to participate in Rotary Youth Leadership Award (RYLA) program: _____

Student Clubs & Activity Participation: _____

Student Honors/Awards/Leadership Roles: _____

Camper Name: _____ School _____ Rotary Club _____

RYLA Signature Documents

In accepting the role of a Camper at RYLA, I understand I and my Parent/Guardian am required to read, understand and agree to standards, releases and commitments stated in each of the following documents. My signature/s at each section affirm my and my guardians understanding and consent to each of the following:

1. Consent, Waiver & Medical Release: I hereby affirm that I read and understand the terms of the Consent, Waiver & Medical Release form and have completed the required information requested below. My signature below authorizes permission outlined.

Signature: _____ Date: _____

If participant is under age 18, a parent/legal guardian signature is required

Parent/Guardian Name (Please print): _____ Relationship _____

Parent/Guardian Signature: _____ Date: _____

Medical Information

Family Physician's Name _____ Phone # (____) _____

Name of Primary Insurance Policy _____

Date of last Tetanus shot _____ Is participant allergic to Tetanus Booster? _____

Has Participant Had:

Appendix Removed _____

Fainting Spells _____

Asthma _____

Heart Trouble _____

Convulsions _____

Diabetes _____

Allergies to food or medicine?

Specify: _____

Other (i.e. recent traumatic injury) _____

Have you ever had an anaphylactic reaction?

Medical Authorization

Will medication be taken at camp? _____

If yes, please fill out below:

Medication: _____

Dosage _____ Time _____

Activities to limit: _____

Are you required to carry an epinephrine auto injector?

Does Participant have any Existing Medical Conditions/Special Needs that need to be noted by staff?

Other person to notify in case of an emergency: _____

Other emergency phone: _____

Camper Name: _____ School _____ Rotary Club _____

Consent, Waiver & Medical Release Information

I hereby affirm that I will (or I give permission for my child to) engage in all prescribed activities, except as noted below. I also understand that all rules and regulations for this event will be enforced and any violation by me (or my child) will result possible removal from camp.

In consideration of participation in this event, I agree (or on behalf of my child, his/her heirs and representatives) to fully and forever release, discharge, indemnify and hold harmless Rotary Club of Corpus Christi, Rotary District 5930, any sponsoring Rotary clubs, and Camp Zephyr, their agents, servants and employees, successors, insurers, assigns, and all other persons, firms or corporations who might be liable, from any and all claims, demands, damages, charges, costs rights or causes of action of whatever nature, present or future, whether the same be known, anticipated or unanticipated, resulting from or arising out of participation in this event.

I also hereby authorize any medical treatment required by me (or my child) while in attendance at this event. I have described above any special medical or other needs required by me (or my child), and will notify event personnel of any special needs or information required by me (or my child).

2. Camper Commitment: I hereby affirm I have read and understand the terms outlined in the RYLA Camper Commitment. My signature below affirms I will uphold the expectations/standards set forth.

Signature: _____ Date: _____

3. Photo/Story Release: I hereby affirm I have read and understand the terms outlined in the RYLA Photo/Story Release form. My signature below authorizes the release of those rights as listed.

Signature: _____ Date: _____

If participant is under age 18, a parent/legal guardian signature is required

Parent/Guardian Name (Please print): _____

Parent/Guardian Signature: _____ Date: _____

4. Youth Protection Policy and Procedures: I hereby affirm I have read the RYLA Youth Protection Policy and Procedures document and that I am fully familiar with the contents therein.

Signature: _____ Date: _____

If participant is under age 18, a parent/legal guardian is required

Parent/Guardian Name (Please print): _____

Parent/Guardian Signature: _____ Date: _____

Documentation for Camper Commitment, Photo/Story Release and Youth Protection Policy and Procedures are on following pages. Complete pages 1-3, scan and send to High School Counselor or Rotary Club. Please keep a copy of the following pages for your files.

Commitment Documents, page 4-7: Retain for your Records. These are the commitment you have affirmed in the signature pages, 1-3.

2. Rotary Youth Leadership Awards Camper Commitment

In accepting the role of Camper at RYLA I understand it requires I meet the following standards. These standards have been established to ensure the best possible experience for the attendees of the camp and to lend to the success of the program.

1. I understand I am expected to stay for the entire camp, be on time to activities and participate fully in the activities of the camp.
2. Unless otherwise notified, I will stay with my counselor and group. If I must be away from my team for any reason, I will give my name tag to my counselor.
3. I will stay in my designated cabin at night.
4. I will be considerate and respectful of others. I will remember that I am part of a leadership camp and that others can be influenced by what I say and do. I will not participate in or accept behavior that does not follow the 4-Way Test while at RYLA.
5. I will maintain a high level of respect as Camper at RYLA. I will not discuss inappropriate topics, use inappropriate words or make any advances towards any attendee.
6. I will report any problems, concerns, or potential problems to my Counselor or a member of the Youth Leadership Team or another Rotarian leader immediately.
7. I understand this is meant to be an experience away from the rest of the world and the use of cell phones, Ipods, cameras, etc. are not permitted anytime during the camp.
8. I will stay positive and maintain an even temperament.
9. I will do my best to keep all of my areas neat and clean and when leaving an area I will not leave trash behind.
10. I will bring the necessary camp supplies to camp (flashlight, bug spray, etc.).
11. I understand that no unapproved visitors are permitted at any time.
12. I will dress appropriately and represent RYLA and Rotary to the best of my ability.
13. I will remember to keep all skits and presentations "family-friendly."

3. Photography/Story Release

I hereby give the sponsoring Rotary club, hosting Rotary Club of Corpus Christi, and Rotary District 5930, its successors and assigns and those acting under its permission or upon its authority, the unqualified right and permission to reproduce, copyright, publish, circulate or otherwise use my name and/or photographic likeness; still, single, multiple or moving; in which I may be included in whole or in part, or composite.

I waive any right to inspect and approve the finished product or copy that may be used or the use to which it may be applied. This authorization and release covers the use of said materials in any published or broadcast form, (with any medium of advertising, publicity or trade in any part of the world) for a period of ten years.

Furthermore, I, for myself, my heirs, executors, administrators, or assigns, transfer to the organization, its successors and assigns, all of my rights, title and interests in and to all representatives of the organization.

I hereby warrant that I am of full age, or the parent/legal guardian of the child/minor named below and have every right to contract in my own name in the above regard. I state further that I have read the above authorization, release and agreement prior to its execution and that I am fully familiar with the contents thereof.

4. Youth Protection Policy and Procedures, Statement of Conduct for Working with Youth

Rotary International is committed to creating and maintaining the safest possible environment for all participants in Rotary activities. It is the duty of all Rotarians, Rotarians' spouses, partners, and other volunteers to safeguard to the best of their ability the welfare of and to prevent the physical, sexual, or emotional abuse of children and young people with whom they come into contact.

Your welfare is extremely important to us. We have prepared this document for your safety. Please read it carefully. This information may help you better understand what sexual abuse and harassment are and help you protect yourself by preventing potential abusive situations before they happen. In the unlikely event that you are subjected to sexual abuse or harassment, this document will help you understand what you can do about it. Please share this information with your parents so that they also know that we are committed to your safety and protection.

CAMPER PROCEDURES

If you are sexually or physically abused or harassed, or are accused of sexually or physically abusing or harassing another person, you should follow this procedure:

1. Report the situation immediately to the person with whom you feel most comfortable.
 - A Rotary Club Counselor or any Rotary Club Member.
 - If you are not comfortable talking to a local person, contact a trusted Rotarian at home.
 - Your complaint will be received in a sensitive and confidential manner. Each of the above individuals has been instructed in how to deal with this type of situation.
2. If appropriate action is not taken when you report the situation, report it again and continue reporting it until someone takes you seriously. Make sure that it is understood that you are serious.
3. When you are uncomfortable with someone else's behavior, and you think it is sexual in nature, please trust your judgment and report it to someone else.

ALLEGATION REPORTING GUIDELINES

If you report an allegation of abuse or harassment, these are the guidelines the Rotarians will follow.

1. When receiving the report from you, they will:
 - Listen attentively and stay calm. They will acknowledge that it takes a lot of courage to report abuse. They will listen and be encouraging.
 - Protect you. They will first ensure your safety and well-being. They will remove you from the situation immediately and from all contact with the alleged abuser or harasser. They will reassure you that this is for your own safety and that it is not a punishment.
 - Get the facts, but not interrogate. They will ask you questions that establish what was done and who did it. They will reassure you that you did the right thing in telling.
 - Be non-judgmental and reassure you. They will not be critical of anything that has happened or anyone who may be involved. They will assure you that the situation was not your fault and that it was brave and mature to report what happened.
 - Assure privacy but not confidentiality. They will explain that they will have to tell someone about the abuse or harassment to make it stop and to ensure that it doesn't happen to other students.
 - Record. They will make a written report of their conversation with you as soon after talking with you as they can. They will include the date and the time that they talked with you. They will use your words and will record only what you told them.

2. They will report this information as soon as possible to the hosting Club RYLA Chair, the District RYLA Chair or the District Governor providing none are the accused individual. This person will immediately notify the appropriate Law Enforcement Authorities in cases of abuse.
3. They will avoid gossip and blame. They will not tell anyone about the report other than those required by the guidelines. Care must be taken to protect the rights of both you as the victim and the alleged offender during any investigation.
4. They will not challenge the alleged offender. The adult to whom you report will not contact the alleged offender because the investigation must be left entirely to law enforcement authorities in cases of abuse. In cases of non-criminal harassment, the District RYLA Chair and RYLA Designate, who are responsible for the investigation, will contact the alleged offender after you have been moved to a safe environment.
5. They will follow-up. After appropriately reporting the allegations, Rotarians will follow up to make sure steps have been taken to address the situation.

DEFINITIONS

Sexual Abuse: Refers to engaging in implicit or explicit sexual acts with a student or forcing or encouraging a student to engage in implicit or explicit sexual acts alone or with another person of any age, of the same sex or opposite sex. This includes but is not limited to:

- Non-touching offenses (such as verbal intimidation, or other indirect suggestions with which you are uncomfortable).
- Indecent exposure (unwelcome revealing of sexual body parts such as breasts or genitals).
- Exposing a student to sexual or pornographic material.
- Sexual assault.

Sexual Harassment: Refers to sexual advances, requests for sexual favors or verbal or physical conduct of a sexual nature. In some cases, sexual harassment precedes sexual abuse. It is a technique used by sexual predators to desensitize or to groom their victims. Examples include, but are not limited to:

- Sexual advances; sexually negative words or phrases used to insult someone, jokes, written or oral references to sexual conduct, gossip regarding one's sex life, comments about one's sexual activity, deficiencies or prowess.
- Verbal abuse of a sexual nature.
- Displaying sexually suggestive objects, pictures or drawings.
- Sexual leering or whistling, any inappropriate physical contact such as brushing or touching, obscene language or gestures and suggestive or insulting comments.

Note: More detailed procedures are provided to the Rotarians responsible for students and the RYLA and are available upon request from interested parties.

(Directions to Camp participants: Cut out the large section below with the solid lined border. Then make two folds on the dotted lines, folding along the long horizontal line first and along the short vertical line second.

This will give you a wallet or pocket-sized card to carry with you.)

RYLA
Student Protection Information Card

Rotary International is committed to protecting the safety and wellbeing of RYLA students and will not tolerate their abuse or harassment. All allegations of abuse or harassment will be taken seriously and must be handled within the guidelines provided herein. The safety and wellbeing of students is always the first priority.

District RYLA Co Chair: Burak Ersoy, 361-288-9090

RYLA Designate: Mary McQueen, 361-815-1157

Any Rotary Club Member:

District Governor: Ellison Crider,
361-771-8495

STUDENT PROCEDURES

If you are sexually or physically abused or harassed or are accused of sexually or physically abusing or harassing another person, you should follow this procedure:

1. Report the situation immediately to the person with whom you feel most comfortable.
 - Contact the RYLA Designate, the District RYLA Chair, any member of the host RYLA Rotary club, or the District Governor.
 - If you are not comfortable talking to a local person, contact a trusted Rotarian at home.
 - Your call will be received in a sensitive and confidential manner. Each of the above individuals has been trained to deal with this type of situation.
2. If appropriate action is not taken when you report the situation, report it again and continue to report it until someone takes you seriously. Make sure that it is understood that you are serious.
3. When you are uncomfortable with someone else's behavior, and you think it is sexual in nature, please trust your judgment and report it to someone else.