



## RYLA 2023 FAQ's

**WHAT is RYLA?** "RYLA" is short for Rotary Youth Leadership Awards. It is a youth leadership development & training event sponsored around the world by Rotary International and is put on by local Rotary clubs in Alaska & Yukon. RYLA promotes development and understanding of leadership principles. Participants learn about the qualities of leadership, what makes an effective team and apply what they learn in challenging activities. Some of the RYLA activities include combination of experiential activities (don't worry – they are safe!), group discussion, guest speakers / panel discussions, group team building, group problem solving activities and some personal reflection time.

**WHO is RYLA for?** RYLA is for local high school sophomores and juniors (grades 10 & 11). Interested participants must apply to their local Rotary Club to participate in RYLA. Participants are selected and sponsored by their local Rotary Club.

**WHERE is RYLA 2023?** RYLA 2023 will be held in Anchorage, Alaska at Lakefront Hotel. If there are activities scheduled outside of the camp, transportation will be provided. ALL participants (including Anchorage area youth) must remain with the RYLA group during the entire RYLA event. Leaving for side visits during the RYLA event are not permitted.

**WHEN is RYLA 2023?** RYLA 2023 will be Thursday March 9<sup>th</sup> to Sunday March 12<sup>th</sup>, 2023. All participants need to arrive in Anchorage by Thursday, March 9<sup>th</sup> at 5:00pm.

**WHAT should I bring?** You should bring warm clothes, rain gear and rain boots, as well as your eagerness to have fun and meet cool people like yourself. We will send a more complete packing list to the participants who are selected to attend RYLA 2023.

**APPLICATIONS?** These are available from your local high school counselors or local Rotary Club. Parent / Guardian permission is required for all participants who apply to attend RYLA 2023. All applications must be received by the Rotary Club no later than February 10, 2023 or an earlier date set by your Rotary Club's Representative.

**SELECTION AND ORIENTATION?** Applications are screened by Rotary Clubs and may involve a brief interview and orientations for those selected to attend RYLA 2023.

**COST?** Transportation and Registration Fees are paid by the local sponsoring Rotary Club. There are no costs to applicants for participation. However, some spending money for incidentals is advised.

**REQUIRED IDENTIFICATION?** Participants should have a government issued I.D. or a high school photo id.

**Incomplete applications will not be accepted**

**IF YOU HAVE QUESTIONS PLEASE CONTACT YOUR RYLA REPRESENTATIVE:**

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RYLA Rep Name	Rotary Club	Phone	E-mail
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ROTARY YOUTH LEADERSHIP AWARDS 2023

**RYLA TEEN APPLICATION**

Deadline to submit this application is **FEVRUARY 10, 2023**

**TEEN INFORMATION (PLEASE PRINT)**

Name: _____	Gender: M / F
High School: _____	Grade: 10 or 11
Age: _____ Birthday (DD/MM/YYYY): _____ / _____ / _____	
Mailing Address: _____	City: _____
Province/ State: _____	Postal / ZIP Code: _____
Home telephone: ( ) _____	Cell Phone: ( ) _____
Email 1: _____	Email 2: _____
Sweatshirt size (circle one): S M L XL XXL Other: _____ Tee shirt size (circle one): S M L XL XXL Other: _____	

**PLEASE ANSWER THE FOLLOWING QUESTIONS ON A SEPARATE SHEET OF PAPER.**

**NOTE:** Answers should not exceed 50 words per question. Please type or write (print) clearly.

1. What are you passionate about?
2. What are your hobbies and interests?
3. Tell us about one or two of your goals that you have set for yourself.
4. How do you make a difference in the lives of your family, friends, and community? (For example, do you help take care of younger siblings, help your parents or grandparents or volunteer at a local non-profit)?
5. What motivated you to apply to attend RYLA?
6. What type of service projects/service organizations interest you most? Please check your top two choices.  
☐ Elderly/Senior Care Service ☐ Youth Service ☐ Disadvantaged Service  
☐ Outdoor/Nature Service ☐ Other: \_\_\_\_\_

**PARENT/GUARDIAN INFORMATION**

Parent/Guardian Name \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing Address \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Work Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Cell Phone \_\_\_\_\_

- ✓ I give permission for \_\_\_\_\_ to attend RYLA 2023 in Anchorage, AK, Thursday, March 9<sup>th</sup> through Sunday, March 12<sup>th</sup>, 2023.
- ✓ I understand that I am responsible for arranging necessary time away from school, including travel time.
- ✓ I/We have reviewed and agree to the RYLA 2023 FAQ's.
- ✓ If I have questions, I will contact the local Rotary Club Representative below with any questions.
- ✓ I give permission for photos to be taken and published for Rotary activities for print or web. \_\_\_ Yes or \_\_\_ No

→ \_\_\_\_\_  
→ **Parent/Guardian Signature**      **Date**  
→ Printed name: \_\_\_\_\_

→ \_\_\_\_\_  
→ **Teen Signature**      **Date**  
→ Printed name: \_\_\_\_\_

**Any questions? Please contact: AIRC, Becky Erickson, 907-244-0173, berickso63@yahoo.com**

<b>Rotary Club</b>	<b>RYLA REP Name</b>	<b>Phone</b>	<b>EMAIL or Fax</b>
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