



ROTARY YOUTH LEADERSHIP AWARDS DISTRICT 6940

MAR 30- APR 2, 2023

Code of Conduct

In order for the RYLA staff to concentrate on delivering a program of leadership and character development, free enterprise, and patriotic values, they must be free of concerns about behavior problems among the RYLA attendees. RYLA is only four days and the volunteers staffing the camp do not have the time or interest in managing boys/girls who do not wish to be in camp or have no appreciation for the RYLA experience. The following behavior traits are not found in good leaders, and in this spirit, will not be tolerated in camp. Failure to follow these rules will be grounds for dismissal from RYLA, which will require transportation home at the parent's/guardian's expense.

1. Cheating/Dishonest behavior - Whether as an individual or as your team in competitions, cheating will not be tolerated.
2. Disregard for Authority - Constant questioning or arguing about the rules of camp, tournaments, etc., cannot be tolerated. We will not change the rules for you or your team.
3. Intimidation of Others - This refers to how you react to other campers and teams. If you can't get along with others without being the "topdog" or you tend to be a poor loser, perhaps RYLA isn't for you. True leaders rise to the top without threats or inconsiderate actions.
4. Disrespect - You only get to be at RYLA for four short days. Have fun, but be respectful of others at camp, especially the speakers. Talking during a speaker's presentation will not be tolerated.
5. Rudeness - Inappropriate comments on another's race, religion, athletic ability, character, looks, etc., will not be tolerated as they do not contribute to a positive RYLA experience.
6. Lateness - Be on time and have your team present on time. We don't start meals until everyone shows up. Our speakers frequently are on a tight schedule and shouldn't have to wait for us.
7. No P.D.A. (public display of affection) between couples. Couples are not permitted to be off alone, daylight or dark.
8. Sleeping arrangements are same-sex youth in a cabin with an adult same-sex Rotarian to serve as cabin monitors. Room assignments are made by staff in an effort to maximize your opportunity to make new friends. Changing of room assignments is not permitted without prior approval by the RYLA staff.
9. Outgoing calls may only be made through approval of a RYLA counselor. A 24-hour, 7 days a week telephone number is available for any incoming emergency calls. (850-623-6197 or 800-239-6864). There is no cell phone use allowed during RYLA. No texting or cell use allowed. RYLA chairs can be reached at 850-380-0465 depending on reception.
10. Any other behavior which makes you a liability instead of an asset to RYLA. You were selected to attend RYLA because someone knew you are a leader among your peers. Even if you aren't aware of your leadership potential, act like it's there and let us help you develop it. I understand the above guidelines and intend to have as much fun as possible at RYLA without violating any of the above guidelines

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Participant's Signature

Date Signed

Parent's Statement: I understand that should my son or daughter become a liability to the RYLA Program, he or she will need to be picked up at camp as soon as possible or transported home at my expense. I will be available at the following phone numbers during the week of camp should a problem occur. I give permission for conference staff or its designees to take photographs of my son/daughter/ward, and I understand that such photographs will be used only to promote the Rotary Youth Leadership Awards Program and could be published in the news media for such purpose.

_____ Contact number: _____ Email: _____

Parent/Guardian Signature

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