



Rotary Youth Leadership Awards- District 6940
March 31 – April 3, 2022



ROTARY YOUTH LEADERSHIP AWARDS
ROTARY DISTRICT 6940 APPLICATION

Leadership, Citizenship & Personal Development - Every spring, Rotary clubs across North West Florida, from Pensacola to Lake City, award an intensive leadership training weekend to approximately seventy tenth grade students. The weekend is paid for completely by sponsoring Rotary clubs and is run entirely by Rotary club members. At RYLA, tenth graders will learn the different styles of leaders, will learn how to take charge of a group, will learn to speak publicly, will learn ethics, problem solving and will build confidence by taking reasonable risks. For more information about RYLA in this area, please contact the RYLA chair listed below.

Go online to complete the RYLA application. Online application is being created. Will send link once created.

ROTARY DISTRICT 6940 CHAIR

Olevia McNally

850-380-0465 (depends on cell reception in the woods)

ryla6940@gmail.com –email will sometimes reach when cell service is limited

Important Dates:

-March 1, 2022 (all paperwork due)

-March 31, 2022 (start of camp)

-April 3, 2022 (end of camp)

Checklist of Items that RYLA Chair must have by March 1, 2022

Adventures Unlimited Release

Medical Release Form (notarized)

Code of Conduct Form

RYLA Application (complete online)

EMAIL FORMS TO SPONSORING ROTARY CLUB RYLA COORDINATOR

Please include one letter of recommendation from someone other than your parent or guardian. This recommendation should be attached in a sealed envelope. Please understand that this camp is run by Rotarian volunteers and that professional counselors are not available to minister to highly involved therapies (physical or emotional).

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RYLA Chair: Olevia McNally, ryla6940@gmail.com or 850-380-0465 cell



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MEMO TO TEACHERS

From: **THE ROTARY CLUB OF** _____

Re: **ROTARY YOUTH LEADERSHIP AWARDS - March 31 – April 3, 2022**

Every spring, Rotary clubs across northwest Florida, from Pensacola to Lake City, award an intensive leadership training weekend to approximately eighth grade students. The weekend is paid for completely by sponsoring Rotary clubs and is run entirely by Rotary club members. At RYLA, your tenth graders will learn the different styles of leaders, will learn how to take charge of a group, will learn to speak publicly, will learn ethics, problem solving and will build confidence by taking reasonable risks.

In awarding our weekend, we have a certain type of student in mind. Here is what we are looking for:

1. Current 10th graders only.
2. Males and Females
3. All colors, creeds and interests.
4. A student who is on the cusp of taking charge but needs just a little boost. That is, we desire a student who has shown an interest in service but needs some encouragement and confidence building to take charge.
5. We are looking for “C” students, “B” students and “A” students but not necessarily the “straight-A captain of the football team or cheer leading squad.” We like interesting mixes.

If you know of a student fitting the above criteria who has an interest in personal growth, please forward their name to _____ by (DATE) ____/____/____.

Thank you for helping us train the next generation of leaders.

If you have questions, please contact _____ of the _____ Rotary Club at (phone) (____)____ - _____ or via email at _____ @ _____



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Medical Release Form- Must be returned **notarized by March 1, 2022**

I _____ (parent/legal guardian) hereby give permission for any and all medical attention to be administered to my child _____ (child's name) in the event of accident, injury, illness, sickness etc. under the direction of the person/group listed below, until such time as I may be contacted. I also assume responsibility for the payment of any such treatment. This release is effective for the period of one year from the date given below.

ADDRESS: _____

INSURANCE COMPANY: _____

POLICY NUMBER: _____

In case I cannot be reached, any of the following persons is designated to act on my behalf:

Olevia McNally- RYLA Chair (or her Rotarian designee – in writing)

Adventures Unlimited Staff

RYLA Facilitators or Rotarian Volunteer Staff

PHYSICIAN: _____

ADDRESS: _____

PHONE: _____

KNOWN ALLERGIES/MEDICAL CONDITIONS: _____

CURRENT MEDICATIONS/DOSAGE: _____

SIGNATURE (parent/guardian) _____ DATE: _____

Subscribed and sworn before me _____ day of _____, _____

(notary public)



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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 "top dog" 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.

Date: _____

(RYLA Participant)

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 numbers: _____ Email: _____

Parent/Guardian



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Adventures Unlimited Outdoor Center

8974 Tomahawk Landing Road, Milton, FL, 32570
www.adventuresunlimited.com

850.623.6197
800.239.6864

Cabins - Canoe - Kayak - Tube - Orienteering - Ropes Course

READ BEFORE SIGNING

Individuals who suffer from high blood pressure, heart disease, back problems, emotional instability, pregnancy or acrophobia should not go on high ropes without consulting their physician. In consideration of being allowed to participate in any way in the Adventures Unlimited Ropes Challenge Course program, related events and activities, I, _____, the undersigned, acknowledge, appreciate and agree that:

1. The risk of injury from the activities involved in this program is significant, including the potential for permanent paralysis and death, and while particular rules, equipment, and personal discipline may reduce this risk, the risk of serious injury does exist; and,
2. I KNOWINGLY AND FREELY ASSUME ALL SUCH RISKS, both known and unknown, EVEN IF ARISING FROM THE NEGLIGENCE OF THE RELEASEES or others, and assume full responsibility for my participation; and,
3. I willingly agree to comply with the stated and customary terms and conditions for participation. If, however, I observe any unusual significant hazard during my presence or participation, I will remove myself from participation and bring such to the attention of the nearest official immediately; and,
4. I, for myself and on behalf of my heirs, assigns, personal representatives and next of kin, HEREBY RELEASE, INDEMNIFY AND HOLD HARMLESS Adventures Unlimited, Inc., their officers, officials, agents and/or employees, other participants, sponsoring agencies, sponsors, advertisers, and, if applicable, owners and lessors of premises used to conduct the event ("Releasees"), WITH RESPECT TO ANY AND ALL INJURY, DISABILITY, DEATH, or loss or damage to person or property, WHETHER ARISING FROM THE NEGLIGENCE OF THE RELEASEES OR OTHERWISE, to the fullest extent permitted by law; and,
5. I understand that the use of equipment furnished by ADVENTURES UNLIMITED constitutes and acceptance of said equipment. I agree to pay for any damage done to said equipment, property or property of others.

I HAVE READ THIS RELEASE OF LIABILITY AND ASSUMPTION OF RISK AGREEMENT, FULLY UNDERSTANDING ITS TERMS. I UNDERSTAND THAT I HAVE GIVEN UP SUBSTANTIAL RIGHTS BY SIGNING IT, AND SIGN IT FREELY AND VOLUNTARILY WITHOUT ANY INDUCEMENT.

X _____ Age: _____ Date Signed: _____

Participant's Signature

**FOR PARENTS/GUARDIANS OF PARTICIPANTS OF MINORITY AGE
(UNDER AGE 18 AT THE TIME OF REGISTRATION)**

This is to certify that I, as parent/guardian with legal responsibility for this participant, do consent and agree to his/her release as provided above of all the Releasees, and, for myself, my heirs, assigns, and next of kin. I release and agree to indemnify and hold harmless the Releasees from any and all liabilities incident to my minor child's involvement or participation in these programs as provided above, EVEN IF ARISING FROM THE NEGLIGENCE OF THE RELEASEES, to the fullest extent permitted by law.

X _____
Parent/Guardian Signature Emergency Phone # s Date Signed



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MEMO TO PARENTS AND LEGAL GUARDIANS

From: **Olevia McNally - District 6940 Chair for RYLA 2022**

Re: **ROTARY YOUTH LEADERSHIP AWARDS - March 31 – April 3, 2022**

Important Numbers:

ADVENTURES UNLIMITED – IN CASE OF EMERGENCY

24-hour, 7 days a week telephone number(s): 850-623-6197 or 800-239-6864

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Other: Make sure your child has a signed Memo to Teachers for every class they will miss March 31 & April 1.

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