



Dear Rotary President,

IT'S TIME TO PREPARE FOR RYLA 2017. The event is scheduled for **September 28 – Oct 1, 2017 at the Wendell H. Ford Regional Training Center in Greenville, KY.** On the district website (<http://www.rotarydistrict6710.org/RotaryYouthLeadershipAwards.php>) you will find all the forms for:

Your club:

- Club Registration Form (RC-1)
- Acceptance Letter (RC-2)

The student participant:

- Participant Checklist & Behavior/Participation Guidelines (STU-1)
- Participant Application Form (STU-2)
- Parental/Guardian Permission Form (STU-3)
- Medical Consent/Informed Consent Form (STU-4)
- Hold Harmless Agreement Form (STU-5)
- "COLORS" Quiz (STU-6)

Participants are asked to arrive by 5:00 p.m. CDT on Thursday (28th) evening and should be picked up by 3:00 p.m. on Sunday afternoon. This will mean that *students will have to get permission to miss school on Friday, September 29, 2016 and possibly ½ day on Thursday 28th.*

The registration fee is \$275 per student and the deadline for registration and payment is August 31, 2017.

NO STUDENTS WILL BE ACCEPTED EITHER AFTER THIS DATE OR WHEN WE HAVE RECEIVED THE APPROPRIATE REGISTRATION FORMS FROM 70 STUDENTS, WHICHEVER COMES FIRST.

REMEMBER, IT IS YOUR CLUB'S RESPONSIBILITY TO FURNISH THE COMPLETED CLUB REGISTRATION FORM & STUDENT FORMS # STU 1-6.

Please Note: Payments are non-refundable. Should your sponsored student not be able to attend the event, payment will be considered a donation to the RYLA program.

Last year, some clubs chose not to select a student, but sent funds instead to sponsor students from other clubs who could not afford the registration fee. If your club would like to do this, we would appreciate your generosity. This is such a great opportunity for deserving young people.

Finally, RYLA is a unique experience to work with some deserving young people, as well as great Rotarians and Rotaractors. It takes adult supervision for this program to be effective, we need you! Please encourage your club members to volunteer. It's an all-expenses paid weekend in the Greenville, Kentucky countryside at a wonderful all-inclusive facility, no roughing it.

If you have questions, please contact us at (502-657-9077) – jmcwilliamsjr878@gmail.com or (502-468-9227) – gail.story@dgvservices.com. If your club is interested in learning more about RYLA, we have a PowerPoint of last year's event and would be glad to come to one of your meetings and share it with your club.

You know we can't do this without your support and help. Please encourage your club's participation and support in this year's RYLA!

Yours in Rotary,
Joe McWilliams and Gail Story,
RYLA District Co-Chairs