To: RYLA Counselors

From: Rotary District 5280 RYLA Committee

Subject: RYLA Counselor Information



Thank you for volunteering to help out and attend the 2019 Youth Leadership Assembly sponsored by Rotary International District 5280, to be held on April 26 - 28, 2019 at Alpine Conference Center in Blue Jay, California.

RYLA Counselor meetings will be held in El Segundo once a month usually starting in October. Emails will be sent to you from krislynpomeroy@gmail.com each month with meeting information. It is very important for you to respond when asked. Please add her email address to your list of contacts so the emails do not end up in spam. We know this may be hard for some of you as you may live far away or have events happening on our meeting dates but it is very important that we see you at our meetings.

You will be responsible for calling 4 to 5 Rotary clubs to find out how many students they will be sending and when they will be sending the money in. Not as easy as it sounds but as long as you communicate often, you can get this job done. You will want to make these Rotarians your new best friends. We will assign the clubs at the first meeting.

WHAT HAPPENS AT RYLA? Each year, between 180 and 200 high school students from Rotary International District 5280 meet for 2 days and participate in a variety of activities, including active leadership workshops, team building activities, an Olympics and talent show. Many friendships develop at these assemblies, some of which are carried forward as the students grow and mature. This conference offers the students an opportunity to learn and express leadership skills and to accept individual responsibility as the basis for personal success, community involvement and group achievement.

The center is comprised of cabins and dormitories, segregated by gender, all of which are fully enclosed and equipped with a full complement of restroom facilities. The program includes all meals and there is no need for money other than that needed for the gift shop and coffee bar. Set high in the San Bernardino Mountains, the setting of the camp is breathtaking and completely private, giving the students a peaceful environment in which to learn to know themselves and each other better. Each year's assembly is staffed by approximately 40 male and female adults, most of whom are Rotarians, with the occasional spouse or teacher, who is assigned to the cabins and dormitories and provide supervision of the students at all times.

As always, this year's RYLA has a full agenda of excellent speakers and motivators, as well as many activities, all designed to challenge the students and help them develop their leadership skills, for their benefit and the benefit of their communities. The students will be transported to and from the camp by bus, (see attached schedule) with an early-morning departure on Friday, April 26, 2019. The assembly ends at 2:00 p.m. on Sunday, April 28, 2019 and the students will be returned to the designated locations at approximately 4:00 p.m. Transportation to and from the pick-up points will be your responsibility. Everyone should receive confirmation of their transportation location approximately 10 days prior to the assembly.

**(If you do not receive confirmation 10 days prior, please contact Krislyn @310-930-0715, krislynpomeroy@gmail.com)

You need to find funding to pay your own way to RYLA. You are free to ask your Rotary club again but they may feel that since they paid for you one year already, now the financing is to be handled on your own. If you start saving now, putting as little as \$25.00 away each month, you will have enough!

The cost is \$200.00 per student and is usually paid by the sponsoring Rotary Club and \$150.00 for counselors.

Attached for your information are the following:

- 1. Counselors Duties and Responsibilities
- 2. What to bring list
- 3. Directions to Blue Jay and camp phone number (emergency only)
- 4. Sample Agenda
- 5. "RYLA's Got Talent" Flyer (information only)

Thank you again for volunteering! If you have any questions please contact Elyse or Krislyn.

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All registration forms are to be returned by March 22, 2019.

Please complete and return the registration form only (18 and older only need to fill out the first

page, bordered by <u>blue line</u>) to: Rotary District 5280

RYLA

C/O Elyse Beardsley, 2618 Vargas Way Redondo Beach, CA 90278 or

emailed to: krislynpomeroy@gmail.com



Use as a checklist to ensure you have each item

It can get very cold in the mountains, send your child with a snow jacket, gloves, snow hat, etc., in case of cold weather

- o <u>WEATHER APPROPRIATE CLOTHING-CAMP CLOTHES- NOT NEW CLOTHES, WE</u> <u>ARE OUTDOORS A LOT!!!!</u>
- o Sleeping bag or sheet with two blankets
- o Pillow
- o TOWEL
- o Warm jacket
- o Gloves
- o Tennis shoes
- o Extra pair of shoes
- o Comfortable clothes for athletics
- o Personal toiletries (toothbrush, toothpaste, soap, shampoo, towel, washcloth, deodorant, Hairbrush, etc.)
- o Sunscreen
- o Refillable Water bottle
- o Props, costumes, musical instruments, tapes, CD's for Saturday night RYLA IDOL Talent Show (optional participation as performer)
- o Camera
- o FLASHLIGHT!!!! There are no streetlights and it gets darker than you might expect

Look like a leader***Talk like a leader***Act like a leader***You are a Leader

DO NOT BRING

Marking pens

Pocketknives or other sharp instruments (scissors, razor blades)

Flip flops – dirt/gravel roads only

<u>PROHIBITED ITEMS – YOU WILL BE SENT HOME AT YOUR PARENTS EXPENSE</u> IF YOU BRING THESE ITEMS TO RYLA

Illegal drugs, drug paraphernalia or cigarettes

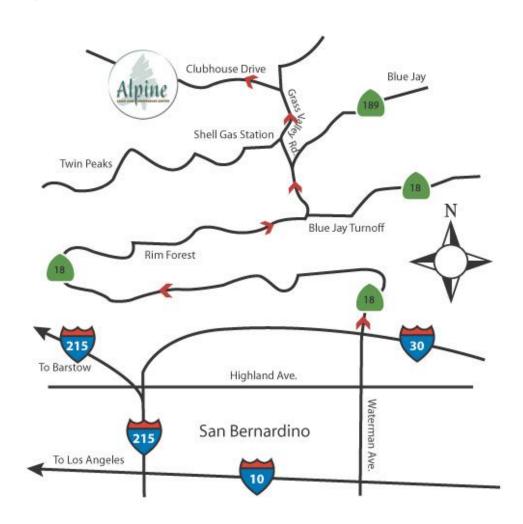
• WE ARE NOT RESPONSIBLE FOR ANY OF YOUR BELONGINGS (INCLUDING CELL PHONES, I-PODS, ETC) AT ANY TIME.

Directions to Alpine and Camp information

The telephone number at Alpine Conference Center is 909-337-6287

Directions to Alpine conference Center:

- From the 10 Fwy. Go north on I-215 towards San Bernardino.
- Bear right at "Mt. Resorts" onto Hwy. 30, east.
- Exit at Waterman Ave. (Hwy. 18) and turn left (north) go up the mountain.
- Proceed on Hwy. 18 towards Lake Arrowhead.
- Continue 1/2 mile past the town of Rim Forest.
- Turn left onto Daley Cyn. Rd. at the "Blue Jay" turnoff sign.
- Turn left onto Hwy. 189 at the stop sign.
- Turn right onto Grass Valley Rd. at the Shell Station
- Bear left at the immediate intersection.
- Turn left onto Club House Dr. (3rd left).
- Registration is in the Redwood Lodge, the red building which is the second building on the left. Parking is available on both sides of the street.



Sample Agenda for RYLA Weekend

Time	Topic Topic	Location	Misc. Information		
<u>Friday</u>					
Various times	Buses Start Rounds	Various			
9:45 - 10:45	Buses arrive at camp		Everyone		
	Registration begins	Cedar Lodge	Dist. Books/Pens/backpacks		
	Name Badge Creations Find Assigned Cabins	Sports Court	Students		
10:30 - 11:00	Thumb Ball	Sport Court	Students/Staff		
	Counselor Meeting	Fireside room	All Counselors		
11:00 - 11:30	Opening Comments/Rules Staff Introductions	Chapel	Everyone		
11:30 -12:15	Lunch	Dining Room	Everyone		
12:30 – 5:30	Team Confidence Building Leadership Quest Begins	Sports Court campground	Students/Staff		
5:45 - 6:30	Dinner	Chapel	Everyone		
6:45 – 7:15	Free time/ RYLAidol sign ups	Campground	Everyone		
7:30 – 9:15	Personality Styles with Kent Caldwell	Redwood Lodge	Everyone		
9:15 -10:00	Snacks and free time (NO NOISE PERMITTED OUTSIDE)	Cedar Lodge	Everyone		
10:00 pm	Everyone in assigned cabins	Cabins	Everyone LIGHTS OUT		
<u>Saturday</u>					
8:00 - 8:45	Breakfast of Champions	Dining Room	Camp Staff		
9:00 - 10:00	Team T-shirt Designing	Cedar Lodge	Students Only		
	Counselor meeting	Fireside Room	Counselors		
10:15 -11:30	Communication "101" with Charlie Gallagher	Chapel	Everyone		
11:30 – 12:00	Lunch (wear team shirts)	Dining Hall	Everyone in TEAM T-SHIRTS		

Time	Topic	Location	Misc. Information
12:15 - 1:00	Olympics Parade	Sports Court/ Grass field	Everyone in TEAM T-SHIRTS
1:00 - 5:00	RYLA OLYMPICS	Campgrounds/ Grass Field	Everyone
5:00 – 5:45	"Four C's" Dinner	Dining Room	Camp Staff
6:00 – 7:30	W.I.N at Leadership with Maurice Dimino	Chapel	Everyone
7:30 – 8:00	FREE TIME- "RYLA IDOL sign ups"	Get your RYLAidol supplies!	Campground
8:00 -10:00	"RYLA IDOL " The Greatest Talent Show in the World-RYLA Style	Chapel	Hosted by Ryla Seacrest
10:00 pm	Snacks	Chapel Patio	Everyone
10:15 -11:15	The "Coolest Universe"	Fire Circle Wear Warm clothing !!!!	ALL RYLArians
	<u>Sunday</u>		
7:00 – 7:30	Nature Walk -Optional-	Lodge	Chris
7:30 - 8:00	Clean up camp, dorms, pack "Bring luggage to sports court and place in front of YOUR BUS sign (Before Breakfast)	Campgrounds	Everyone
8:00 - 8:30	Power Breakfast	Dining Room	Everyone
8:45 – 10:45	Visioneering with Donn Cottom	Chapel	Everyone
10:45 -11:45	Alien Invasion	Chapel/Patio	Everyone
11:45 -12:45	Evaluations / Awards Closing Comments	Chapel	Everyone
12:50 -1:30	Farewell Lunch	Dining Room	GO RYLA!!!
1:30	Group Photo	Redwood Lodge	Everyone in shirts
2:00 pm	Buses Depart	Sports Court	

^{*} Times may vary

"RYLA's Got Talent" TALENT SHOW

- Saturday Night
- Prizes awarded in these categories:
 - o Singing
 - Lip Sync
 - o Dance
 - o Drama
 - Comedy
 - o Instrumental
- Individual and Group for all categories
- Be sure to bring your instruments, props and costumes!
 - Bring your own Music, CD or iPod.
 - Microphone, video projector also avail @ Camp
 - Sign up at the conference

Make your plans to enter now!!