



ROTARY YOUTH LEADERSHIP AWARDS

DISTRICT 6980

RYLA DELEGATE DOCUMENT PACKAGE COVER

Listed below are the documents included in this package for your upcoming attendance at Camp RYLA 2019.

- Code of Conduct
- Camp RYLA Travel Procedures
- Open House Information
- What to Bring to Camp RYLA

If you have any questions about the documents included, feel that something is missing, or need additional information, contact your sponsoring club.

DELEGATE COMMITMENT

As a RYLA Delegate I WILL:

1. ...honor the commitment I have made to attend Camp RYLA from February 20 - 24, 2019 and will notify my sponsoring Rotary Club immediately if a conflict arises.
2. ...be on time and attend all meals, meetings and activities scheduled for my group.
3. ...immediately report any inappropriate acts of conduct that I personally observe by and or between my fellow Camp RYLA attendees to the Camp RYLA Co-Chairs. It is my duty and responsibility as a leader to do so.
4. ...SLEEP IN THE CABIN WHICH I AM ASSIGNED.
5. ...turn out cabin lights at the scheduled time. When lights are turned off, I will be quiet thereafter and not leave my cabin unless in an emergency.
6. ...only use my phone during permitted and scheduled recreation times, breaks or while in my cabin. If used at other times, I understand they will be confiscated and returned at the end of the conference.
7. ...conduct myself in all sessions, in all activities, in the dining hall, in classrooms, in sports, and in my cabin, in a manner which will bring credit to myself, my school, my sponsoring Rotary Club and my family, and in a manner which will not cause injury to another person.
8. ...report any damage or breakage immediately to the Camp RYLA Committee.
9. ...notify RYLA Chairs and leaders of my MEDICATIONS, whether prescribed or "over the counter," and I will identify them clearly on the container.

I WILL NOT:

10. ...arrive late without written permission from the RYLA Chair.
11. ...leave Camp RYLA earlier than scheduled or without the express permission of one of the Camp RYLA Committee Co-Chairs.
12. ...UNDER ANY CIRCUMSTANCE, make my way to the cabin area assigned to females if I am a male, or make my way to the cabin area assigned to males if I am a female. I understand that doing so will likely result in removal from the Camp and forfeit my ability to return in the future.

13. ...miss any scheduled activities for my group and understand that recreation activities are limited to those periods of the day and evening when formally scheduled.
14. ...move any person who becomes injured or ill. I will contact a member of the Camp RYLA Committee immediately.
15. ...smoke or use other tobacco products. No exceptions.
16. **...UNDER ANY CIRCUMSTANCE, BRING UNIDENTIFIED MEDICATIONS, ALCOHOL, TOBACCO, WEAPONS, OR OTHER UNLAWFUL SUBSTANCE TO CAMP RYLA.** I understand that any unlawful substances found in my possession or that of another student will be confiscated and the student will be expelled from Camp RYLA. Law enforcement may be called if deemed appropriate.
17. ...use or encourage foul or abusive language (including anything of a discriminatory nature). I understand this will not be tolerated nor will physical violence or threats of any kind be allowed. If I observe such behavior, it will be my responsibility to contact a member of the Camp RYLA Committee immediately.
18. ...participate in or contribute to **ANY** sexual or lewd misconduct by and/or between myself and other participants. This is considered unacceptable behavior.
19. ...repeat information shared by members of my group with others. I understand that confidentiality is important. However, the Camp RYLA committee members are mandated by law to report any suicide or abuse issues to the proper authorities.

I have read the Statement of Leadership Responsibility and do hereby agree and commit to honoring them.

SHOULD MY CONDUCT BE CONSIDERED UNACCEPTABLE AT ANY TIME BY THE DISCRETION OF THE CAMP RYLA COMMITTEE, OR SHOULD I TRANSGRESS ANY OF THE CODES STATED ABOVE, I UNDERSTAND THAT I WILL BE DISMISSED FROM CAMP RYLA AND WILL BE SENT HOME AT MY PARENTS OR GUARDIANS EXPENSE.

CODE OF CONDUCT

The physical, sexual or emotional abuse or harassment of any student will not be tolerated. All allegations of abuse or harassment will be taken seriously. The safety and well-being of students will always be the first priority.

Definitions:

Sexual abuse: Sexual abuse refers to engaging in implicit or explicit sexual acts with a student or forcing or encouraging a student to engage in implicit or explicit sexual acts alone or with another person of any age, of the same sex or opposite sex. Additional examples of sexual abuse could include, but are not limited to: non-touching offenses, indecent exposure, exposing a child to sexual or pornographic material.

Sexual harassment: Sexual harassment refers to sexual advances, requests for sexual favors or verbal or physical conduct of a sexual nature. In some cases, sexual harassment precedes sexual abuse, and is a technique used by sexual predators to desensitize or groom their victims.

Examples of sexual harassment could include, but are not limited to: sexual advances, sexual epithets, jokes, written or oral references to sexual conduct, gossip regarding one's sex life, and comment about an individual's sexual activity, deficiencies or prowess; verbal abuse of a sexual nature; displaying sexually suggestive objects, pictures or drawings; and sexual leering or whistling, any inappropriate physical contact such as brushing or touching, obscene language or gestures and suggestive or insulting comments.

If sexual abuse or harassment should occur, the Camp RYLA committee will follow the RYLA Sexual Abuse and Harassment Allegation Reporting Guidelines as established by Rotary International.

THIS CODE OF CONDUCT IS ALSO INCLUDED IN THE APPLICATION FORM AND IS REQUIRED TO BE SIGNED BY THE DELEGATE AND HIS/HER PARENT OR GUARDIAN.

CAMP RYLA TRAVEL PROCEDURES

**The address for the Florida Elks Youth Camp is:
24175 S. E. Hwy 450, Umatilla, FL 32784**

An ideal way for attendee's to travel to Camp RYLA is for the sponsoring Rotary club to provide transportation. There should be at least two adults or at least two passengers in the vehicle. This gives Rotarians the opportunity to get to know the students and to discuss Camp RYLA.

During the return trip from Camp RYLA, Rotarians and attendees will have the opportunity to discuss the aspects of Camp RYLA and how the experience is and will impact their lives.

Parents can take the attendees to Camp RYLA and pick them up. Attendees must be at Camp RYLA between 3:30 PM and 5:00 PM on February 20th and cannot leave until 1pm on February 24, 2019.

**Attendees cannot leave Camp RYLA without both the
Camp Leader(s) & their parents' permission.**

Attendee cannot leave and then return to Camp RYLA for any reason other than an emergency. Exceptions are extremely rare and only with the permission of the Camp RYLA Committee Chair.

An attendee may drive to Camp RYLA. Upon arrival, keys will be turned over to the Camp RYLA Committee and under no circumstance can an attendee return to their car without a Rotarian accompanying them.

**We must have a copy of the Automobile Insurance Coverage
for our files.**

Without proof of insurance one cannot park their vehicle on Florida Elks Youth Camp property. It will be subject to towing.

CAMP RYLA OPEN HOUSE

Scheduled for Friday, February 22, 2019

**The Florida Elks Youth Camp is located at:
24175 S. E. Hwy 450, Umatilla, FL 32784.**

You've heard about Camp RYLA but if you really want to feel the excitement and see the enthusiasm generated by our students, we invite you to attend our Open House at Camp RYLA on Friday, February 22. All Rotarians, guests and parents are invited.

Schedule of Events for Friday

4:00-6:00 PM Tour the facilities. Observe the students participating in The Seven Habits of Highly Effective Teens class or sit in on the Speech sessions. Watch the students in their outdoor activities on the High Ropes course and canoeing.

6:00-7:00 PM Have dinner with us. Attendees will be performing to win a VIP Bracelet, so join us for an hour of enthusiastic entertainment. You don't have to eat to attend however, if you would like to join us for dinner, please notify Babs Coggins by email District6980RYLA@gmail.com at least 48 hours in advance so we can have a meal prepared for you. The Camp does not have extra food ready, we will need your reservation in order to have your meal ready.

The cost of a meal is \$11.00 per person. Pay when you arrive at Camp RYLA.

7:00-8:30 PM Participate in a plenary session that discusses Rotary's Youth Programs.

8:30-9:30 PM Gather around a blazing camp fire and listen to world renowned John T. Capps give one of his inspirational presentations and let our students entertain you by showing off their talents. Feel the excitement and see the fellowship and comradery of our students.

9:30 PM - Enjoy treats of ice cream, snacks and drinks. Spend time engaging with students.

To take a virtual tour of the Elks Youth Camp go to <http://www.floridaelks.org>

On right side of screen click on Youth Camp

On left side under Youth Camp Tours click on 2015 Virtual tours

On right side click on Map Off to turn Map On

Select the area you want to view from the dropdown under the Map On button.

Use navigation tools at bottom of page to get a 360 view.

To keep up with students at Camp RYLA you can find us on:

Facebook: xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx

Instagram: xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx

Twitter: xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx



What to bring to Camp RYLA



GENERAL NOTES

You will be sleeping in a cabin with 9 bunk beds, with a bath and shower. Cabins have heat and air conditioning. There are no closets or dressers in the cabin. You can store your belongings under the bunk. You can bring a couple of wire hangers to hang clothing on end of bunks.

Swimming Pool – The pool is closed this year. No swimsuits necessary.

CAMP ATTIRE

It will be cold, especially during the campfires at night. Bring appropriate winter wear.

You will be involved in outside activities each day so you should dress accordingly.

Bring at least one change of clothing for each day. When selecting your attire, THINK school dress code and you should be fine.

Club RYLA (Dance Saturday night) May dress up. Dresses for ladies – jackets and/or ties for guys.

- Shorts, jeans, slacks should be worn. Bring PJs or sleepwear
- T-shirts. No tank tops, spaghetti straps, and strapless tops.
- Bring 2 pairs of athletic shoes along with plenty of socks. No open toed shoes or sandals. Flip flops may be used for showers.
- **Light jacket or pull over for evenings. It gets cold at night.**

WHAT TO BRING

- Sleeping Bag / Bed Sheets
- Pillow
- Toiletries and Soap
- **Prescription Medication**
- Blow Dryer
- Bath Towel / Washcloth
- Equipment and accessories: Flashlight, Insect repellent - Sunscreen - Visors, ball caps, sunglasses
- Entertainment: You may bring instruments and other items to showcase your entertainment skills.
- Proof of Car Insurance if you are driving yourself to the camp. This is required by the property owner.
- Most important thing to pack is a SENSE OF HUMOR - don't leave home without it.

WHAT NOT TO BRING to Camp RYLA!

Alcohol, Cigarettes, Firearms, Fireworks, Illegal Drugs, Matches / lighters, Knives, Computers, Valuables/Jewelry

IF ANY OF THESE ITEMS ARE FOUND, YOU WILL BE REMOVED FROM THE SITE. NO QUESTIONS ASKED, NO SECOND CHANCES.

Any piercings (other than the ears) and tattoos **MUST BE COVERED** or removed.

You should arrive at Camp RYLA between 3:30 and 5:00 on Wednesday, February 20th to register and receive your cabin and group assignments. Parents can arrive after 10:00 AM on Sunday, February 24th and join in the festivities or they can arrive by noon. All attendees must be picked up by 1pm.

You may drive to Camp RYLA. You must turn over your keys and a copy of your Proof of Insurance upon arrival. Failure to bring Proof of insurance will result in your vehicle being towed.

The Camp RYLA Committee nor the FL Elks Youth Camp is responsible for any lost, stolen or damaged items one brings to Camp RYLA.

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If you have special diet requirements please send them to sarah.a.hamby@gmail.com. Please include your name and contact info.

An emergency phone number is 321-436-0092 or 407-721-7448.

Find us on **Facebook** group @xxxxxxx Stay current with Camp RYLA: follow us on **instagram** @Ryla6980

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See what Camp RYLA campers are posting: look for the hash tag **#campryla6980**