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To: District 6360 Rotarians and RYLA Recruiters

**Send checks/applications to:**  
**District 6360**  
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Re: RYLA 2014

Welcome to the RYLA program for 2014. The Rotary Youth Leadership Academy, or RYLA, is a leadership training program designed for high school juniors and seniors. This year there will be only one session. It will be held on August 15-17, 2014.

The location of the camp is the Battle Creek Outdoor Center in Dowling, MI. The address is 10160 S. M-37 Hwy, Dowling, MI 49050 and the phone number is 269-721-8161. A map and direction is located on the District web site listed below. This camp will also include Youth Exchange students.

The dissemination of all RYLA information is via email and the District web site. Please note the following:

1. This letter is being emailed to all club presidents, president elects, treasurers, and RYLA Chairs for whom the District has valid email addresses. In order for your club to receive the latest updates about registration, be sure that the club member responsible for your RYLA program sends an email immediately to Jill Eldred (RYLA Registrar) at: [jilleldred@yahoo.com](mailto:jilleldred@yahoo.com). If using email is impossible, then call me. The student application and check will be the only mail your club should have to send via US mail. All other registration correspondence will be by email or phone. To insure the success of the registration process, it is critical that the person in charge of registration emails me immediately, so that I can establish contact and have an email address to send updates or notifications.
2. The student application includes the health/release form, so that only one application needs to be filled out to register each student. Be sure to download it and mail it to the address at the top of the page.
3. All information for the RYLA program, including application, brochure, this letter, camp information, maps and foundation credits can be downloaded from the District web site. Go to:  
<http://www.district6360.com/ryla>

click on "RYLA Downloads" in the left margin menu.

The RYLA program is for 60 students and there will be only one session. To get an update on the number of slots available for the RYLA session, go to the District web site and click on the "Student Registration" link. This year all of the students attending Basic camp will be eligible to return to the Advanced RYLA Session in the spring. Following the Basic Camp, students will need to make a request to go to the Advanced Session through their respective clubs. The fee for the Advanced Session is 268 per student.

For complete registration of each student, the Registrar must receive a signed application form and club check for the camp fee. **A reservation must include a club check in order for the reservation to be held.** A club may qualify for the **early registration fee** of \$200 by sending a check (not refundable) to the Registrar by July 15<sup>th</sup>. The complete application must be submitted by August 1. For clubs that do not take advantage of the early registration discount, the fee is \$245 and complete applications must be received by August 1. No invoices will be sent to the clubs and check must be made payable to Rotary District 6360. Camp reservations are made on a first-come, first-served basis until the session is full. Postmark of the application form with a check or a letter will determine the position for standbys as the session becomes full. **THERE ARE NO REFUNDS.**

Enclosed is a spreadsheet with the District Foundation raffle sales credits for each club which is available to help fund your RYLA student(s). Be sure to check carefully for the amount of credit your club has available for students.

**PLEASE NOTE THAT ALL STUDENTS WILL BE INVITED BACK TO THE ADVANCED RYLA SESSION HELD IN MARCH AT A FEE OF \$268 WHICH MUST BE PAID BY THE CLUB.**

Yours in Rotary,

Jill Eldred, Registrar