

ABOUT US

Sponsored by the 40 Rotary Clubs of the Delaware and Maryland's Eastern Shore, RYLA is an opportunity for 11th (and some 10th and 12th) grade students to discover a world outside the classroom through an intensive leadership experience that builds communication skills, teaches creative problem-solving, and challenges you to change not only yourself but the world.

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<https://tinyurl.com/7630RYLA>

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Award**
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Ocean City, Maryland



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OUR MISSION

The purpose of RYLA is to help build the next generation of community and world leaders.

SPECIFIC RYLA GOALS:

- Increase awareness of critical social, cultural, economic, and environmental issues.
- Enhance leadership skills and develop a lifelong commitment to community service.
- Develop and refine effective communication and team building skills.
- Meet and make a network of new friends from different social and cultural backgrounds – HAVE FUN!



HOW ARE DELEGATES SELECTED?

Local Rotary Clubs sponsor up to 135 delegates. Students interested in becoming RYLA delegates complete an application and then are interviewed by members of the sponsoring Rotary Club.

WHAT ARE THE CRITERIA FOR SELECTION?

The following characteristics are used to select delegates:

- Leadership experience/potential
- Academic achievement
- Extracurricular activities/work experiences
- Questioning thought
- Articulation
- Ability to relate to peers
- Receptive to new experiences



SAMPLE ACTIVITIES

- Develop a strategic plan for addressing a local critical issue
- Packing 10,000 meals to feed children in developing nations
- Team building and enhancing group dynamics
- Increasing awareness of human trafficking in your community
- Public speaking and interview preparation
- Addressing ethical dilemmas