



**District 7450 RYLA Conference
February 22-24, 2008
Freedoms Foundation
Valley Forge, PA**



Frequently Asked Questions!

What is RYLA?

Rotary Youth Leadership Awards. This **leadership training program** was adopted in 1971 by RI and each year thousands of young people take part in a RYLA conference worldwide. This is the **tenth year** that Rotary District 7450 has held a RYLA conference.

Where is the program being held?

The conference is held at Freedoms Foundation in Valley Forge.

Where do the students stay?

Freedoms Foundation has dormitories on site. There are separate dorms for males and females. Freedoms Foundation staff plus Rotary chaperones will be staying overnight in both dorms.

What is the program at the conference?

The program is a combination of leadership training, team building, motivation and living history lessons.

Can participants leave during the program for other activities and return later?

No. It is expected that the student will attend the **entire** program from Friday evening to Sunday noon.

Who is eligible to attend the conference?

It is preferred to have high school juniors participate, although sophomores and seniors are eligible. We have a number of students that ask to attend a *second* time, but they can only attend once, sorry!

What do participants need to take with them?

Enthusiasm, energy, a desire to learn and to meet new people. Once a student is enrolled, information about what to pack will be sent.

What do past participants say about the program?

- “I really enjoyed the program and had a great time... and I made many new friends.”
- “My overall experience was awesome.”
- “I really had a great time and learned a lot about myself.”
- “I had a really great experience with you all and I know other young people will feel the same way.”
- “I found this weekend to be informative, fun and very educational. There can always be improvement on leadership, and I feel this greatly improved my skills.”
- “I think that this weekend was fun. I learned a lot and met new people. I think it is always good to be able to hear different points of view. I am glad I was chosen to come.”
- “Best motivational speaker I’ve ever heard.”
- “Very interesting agenda. Tasks were different than I have seen at any other conference...it was an enjoyable experience, thanks.”
- “Wow!”

How do I get more information?

All application and program materials are available on the District Web Page at www.rotary7450.org