

## **CAMP RYLA SELECTION PROCESS**

### **Candidates and Parents Orientation**

1. Once selected, invite both primary and alternate Camp RYLA candidates along with their parents to attend a club meeting to be introduced to club members.

Consider having a get-acquainted meeting for your Camp RYLA candidates and their parents prior to camp. This is a good time to inform parents of the Camp RYLA program and also make them more aware of Rotary and your Rotary club.

Consider a combined meeting of all Camp RYLA candidates from Rotary clubs in your area.

This get-acquainted process reduces the potential for no-shows at camp by increasing the parents/candidates knowledge and comfort levels with Camp RYLA.

2. A member of the Camp RYLA Committee can be made available to help with the candidates/parents meeting if desired. Contact the Camp RYLA Co-Chairs, Babs Coggins, 407-721-7448 or Eddie Fernandez, 321-436-0092 or email them at: [District6980RYLA@gmail.com](mailto:District6980RYLA@gmail.com).
3. Remind the candidates that if a conflict arises that would prevent them from attending Camp RYLA, they should contact your Rotary Club RYLA Coordinator immediately so that an alternate candidate can be contacted to replace them.
4. Prepare a news release for your local and school paper describing the Camp RYLA experience and highlight information about the students you have selected to receive the scholarship. Include student photos- we have their parents' permission to use their information and photo.
5. After Camp RYLA, invite your Camp RYLA candidates and their parents to one of your Rotary Club meetings to make a presentation about their experience at Camp RYLA.
6. Prepare a news release about the program with pictures of your candidates and submit to your local newspaper and/or school paper.
7. Below are forms that will help you and your club to take a more active role in Camp RYLA and keep up with what is going on. Please forward the "Open House" and the "Social Media" forms to all your members.
8. Even though we included what to bring to Camp RYLA in the Student Application Packet you still may be asked the question. Attached is the "What to bring to Camp RYLA" form.