



2026 District 6510 RYLA Camp

WHEN: **October 9** (Friday evening) – **October 11** (Noon – 1:00 PM)

WHERE: Camp Hope / 16322 Camp Hope Road / Ewing, IL 62836

APPLICATION DEADLINE: **September 30, 2026.**

To All District 6510 Leaders (Club Presidents, President-Elects, Secretaries, etc.)

RYLA (Rotary Youth Leadership Awards) is our Rotary District 6510 leadership training program. The goal of RYLA is to help enhance your community's youth leaders' teamwork, leadership, and communication skills, while breaking them out of their comfort zones, encouraging “service above self,” and making new connections with other students.

The 2026 RYLA Camp focuses on high school student leaders, who have outstanding academic records, preferably involved in Interact, and who are interested in having a lot of fun while honing their leadership skills – and learning more about Rotary and Interact. District 6510 welcomes ALL local high school students – from incoming Freshman students through Seniors – to apply!

ALL students interested in the Fall 2026 District 6510 RYLA Camp (Date: October 9-11) MUST:

- Complete the **2026 RYLA Student Application, 2026 Parental Consent/Medical**
- And be nominated by local Rotary Club, Rotary members, RYLA committee, etc.

District 6510 has established a “**no-limit leadership**” mindset and seeks **to sponsor and invest in** as many local high school student leaders as possible within District 6510. The future is NOW!

Sponsor Cost: To help continue to build and expand the RYLA Program, we have lowered the cost from \$250.00 down to **\$150.00** per student (RYLA Camp fee, lodging, materials, and T-Shirts)! Just to be clear, for **only \$50.00 more** Clubs can sponsor two (2) students to attend the RYLA Camp. In short, our District 6510 goal is to send as many students as possible to the RYLA Camps this year!

Registration Deadline: **September 18th, 2026.**

You must register your club on Dacdb through the RYLA event found on the district calendar and will have the option of paying with credit/debit or you may select “club check” and pay according to the instructions given at registration. If you want to sponsor a student, or camp counselor, you must still register on DACdb **even if you don't have a specific student in mind to send. We can match you with a student! They are plentiful and very grateful for the opportunity!**

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact either me or Jeff Thornton

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Sincerely,

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