

Rotary Youth Leadership Program Selection Committee PROCEDURES

Thank you for your willingness to serve on the Rotary Youth Leadership Program Selection Committee. Your thoughtful attention to this club assignment will tremendously enhance the success of the program and the experiences of the young people you select.

Selection to participate in this leadership program is a distinct honor. Please remember that the individual you select will represent you and your Rotary Club and will be the beneficiary of your club's financial support. This set of procedures will help ensure that you select the young people who can represent you in a manner that will make you and your club proud of its participation.

The selection process starts with your discussion with high school principals about the program, its purpose, and the desire of your Rotary Club to sponsor one or more participants. **We suggest a face-to-face visit!**

As soon as possible, deliver the application forms and explanatory letter to the principal(s) and/or counseling office with the request that **five young people be nominated by March 2, 2009**. Leave the name and address of the Selection Committee Chairperson so that the nominations can be forwarded promptly.

Please request that the schools rank their candidates. This will help assure that the right candidates have the first opportunity to participate in the program.

Some communities have more than one Rotary Club and more than one city and/or county high school. If this is the case, please coordinate with the other local clubs to make sure that all local high schools in your area have the opportunity to nominate program participants. If you have not heard from the high school principal by **February 20**, please contact the school again as a reminder.

Remember, ideally we want outstanding all-around students from the high school. At a minimum the student must be a rising junior or senior, must have demonstrated leadership potential, have a "B" average, and have a willingness to participate in moderate athletic activity. Participation in the program is not restricted by gender, race, ethnicity, religion, or national origin and we look to have a fair distribution of all in the program each year. Membership in Rotary International by the parent is not a factor in the selection process.

When the applications are received from the high school(s), your Selection Committee should carefully review the applications and select the number allocated for your club based on the grid below. These applications are to be forwarded with your letter of recommendation (your opinion as to why these young people should be chosen to participate in the program) to the Program Directors by **March 16, 2009**.

Some local Rotary Clubs are larger than others. In District 7690, the club size ranges from 11 members to more than 325 members. In an effort to distribute equitably the allotted number of nominations and the expense of sponsoring participants among the clubs, the following schedule of allotted nominations has been developed:

Number of Club members	Number of nominations
Less than 25	1
26-50	2
51-100	3
101-150	4
151-200	5
201-250	6
Over 250	7

So, for example, if your club is allotted 3 nominations to the program you should solicit nominations from the high school(s), review them and choose 3 (and an alternate) to nominate to the Program Directors.

Keep in mind that the student *must agree to attend the pre-program orientation session on Sunday, May 17, 2009 and the entire program week July 19-25, 2009*, at the Guilford College campus.

The applications for your nominations, letter(s) of recommendation, and a check for **\$650.00 tuition** per applicant must be received by the Program Directors at the Greensboro Rotary office by **March 16, 2009**, to be considered for final selection. **Please rank your candidates; this is an important aid to the final selection process.** Send the selected applications to:

Sam Troy/Steve Stoner
RYLP Program Directors
612 Pasteur Drive, Suite 405
Greensboro, NC 27403

Final selection will occur during the week of **April 12, 2009**, and notification of selection or rejection will be sent immediately thereafter. *The Program Directors will make the final selections based on the need to be representative of District 7690.*

Checks for applicants who are not accepted will be returned to your club. In the event of cancellation by a participant after a final selection has been made, the Program will retain \$250 and return the remainder to your club. No refunds are possible after the participant orientation on May 17.

Thank you for your efforts!

**If you have questions, please contact Program Directors
Sam Troy at 336-327-2152 or Steve Stoner at 336-544-1074**