

## Interact Club

### Lead your own group!

With the help, leadership, and guidance of your local Rotary Club, you can become involved in this amazing opportunity to

- Make new friends
- Improve your community
- Develop leadership skills
- Make a difference in the world

Students who are looking for additional opportunities to be a part of a local youth organization with excellent supporting ties to the community should consider getting involved with the [Interact Club](#).

Interact Clubs carry out two community service events each year. Examples of projects are donating relief supplies to victims of natural disasters, organizing fundraisers to purchase books for needy schools, and volunteering their time and energy in the community.

Imagine the scholarship opportunities that open up for you if you were involved in such an amazing humanitarian endeavor. Imagine the learning and growth opportunities you will be exposed to as you help others. The skills you will learn as you become involved with Interact are endless and the contacts you will make through your local Rotarians will serve you for years to come.

**INTERACT:  
CONNECT – LEAD - SERVE**

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## LTCHS & Rotary Club of Red Deer East 5360

Encouraging partnerships  
between community and  
education

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Rotary Club-Youth Programs

## Leadership Opportunities

Students looking for amazing learning, growth, and educational experiences need to consider some of the amazing programs sponsored by our local Rotary Clubs.

Rotary Club of Red Deer East 5360 is committed to Youth programs and enhancing the opportunities for youth to expand their horizons and become involved with a variety of leadership, citizenship, and other youth adventure opportunities.

For more information, please follow the links provided in this brochure, or on the LTCHS Career Centre website.

## Leadership Opportunities

### [RYLA - Rotary Youth Leadership Award](#)

Upon [application](#) & acceptance by the RCRDE, you can be sponsored to attend the RYLA Leadership Conference, which emphasizes leadership, citizenship, and personal growth. The RYLA conference occurs once per year, in May. The RYLA conference is held each year in Canmore.

[RYLA Information from Rotary International Handbook](#)

### [RYPEN - Rotary Youth Program of Enrichment](#)

Upon application & acceptance by the RCRDE, you can be sponsored to attend the RYPEN Conference which is designed for students who need enrichment &/or confidence building. The RYPEN Conference occurs twice per year in May & September.



## Adventure Programs:

Rotary International and local Rotary Clubs from across Canada also sponsor students to attend Adventure Camps in a variety of interest areas. These camps range from 3-7 days with varied Rotary Clubs from across Canada hosting the student [Adventure Programs](#).

- [Adventures in Forestry](#)
- [Adventures in Film](#)
- [Adventures in Adaptive Snow Sports](#)
- [Adventures in Technology](#)
- [Adventures in Tourism](#)
- [Adventures in Music](#)
- [Adventures in Citizenship](#)
- [Adventures in Agriculture](#)
- [Adventures in High Technology](#)

Students are encouraged to research the area of interest EARLY and make application to their local Rotary Club. The Rotarians then have to review the application and work the sponsorship into their yearly budget. As a general guideline, students should make application to their local Rotary Club for sponsorship by June/July to request participation in any of the Rotary-sponsored events for the following school year.

“Rotary maintains a strong connection to youth and young adults”

## Rotary Youth Exchanges

### Short-term:

Open to students 15-19, above average students who demonstrate leadership in their community and are flexible and willing to try new things. Short – term exchanges vary in length from several days to several weeks. You typically do not attend school in the host country and you MAY be able to tailor the exchange to match your interests.

### Long-term:

Open to students 15-19, above average students who demonstrate leadership in their community and are flexible and willing to try new things. Long-term exchanges usually last one year, during which you would attend school and live with families in the host country in order to gain a greater understanding of their culture. You may live with up to three different host families to broaden your experience.

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