



Rotary Club of Westlock

Youth Programs 2014-2015

Westlock Rotary encourages all Westlock & District high school students to apply for our Youth Adventure Programs. All are short, 3-7 day interactive experiences (exception is the Youth Exchange program) connecting our youth with leaders from a variety of fields and backgrounds. Each program is designed to inspire the career choices and broaden the perceptions of future leaders by being professionally lead and containing current topic matter.

For anyone interested in the following programs, application forms are available from your school. **For more information please contact Karen Letts, youth services director**
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International Youth Exchange

When: August – July (11 months)

Where: approx 20 countries offered

Eligible students will have a birth date between Jan 1, 1998 - August 1, 2000

An 11 month cultural exchange with a non-English speaking country. Participants experience the culture of another country while being a student there. Participants live with families in their host country.

Benefits of being an exchange student:

- learn a new language
- total immersion into another culture
- making lifelong friends in your host country & with other exchange students
- make memories that will truly last a lifetime!
- return home with a greater sense of the world and a deeper understanding of yourself & your culture

Application deadline: October 15, 2014

Adventures In Agriculture

When: November 19-23, 2014

Where: Regina, Saskatchewan

Provides students an opportunity to visit Canadian Western Agribition, tour major agriculture based industries and participate in networking and information sessions conducted by agriculture industry professionals and business leaders. This program is designed to help broaden the knowledge and understanding of the multi-faceted agricultural sector, environmental issues and the challenge of providing food for the world. Eligible students will be in grade 11 or 12.

Application deadline: October 15, 2014

Adventures In Citizenship

When: May 3-6, 2015

Where: Ottawa, ON

Participants gain a better understanding of our country. Through meetings with political officials, they learn about the working of our democratic institutions. By meeting students from across the country, participants will learn to appreciate the diversity of Canada and the privileges & responsibilities of citizenship. Eligible students will be 16-18 years of age.

Application deadline: March 1, 2015

Adventures In Technology

When: April 27-May 1, 2015

Where: Saskatoon, Saskatchewan

This program for high school students, enhances the participant's awareness and understanding of technology, the many ways it affects our lives and the opportunities it holds for tomorrow. During their visit students tour some of Canada's finest corporations and research facilities such as the University of Saskatchewan, Potash Corporation of Saskatchewan and the Canadian Light source. These organizations offer tours, provide hands-on opportunities and informative lectures.

Application deadline: March 1, 2015

Adventures In Forestry

When: May 6-10, 2015

Where: Prince George, BC

Experience and explore the many facets of the forest and environmental industries. Participants are able to work side by side with and ask questions of; mill staff, tree planters, nursery staff and forest fire personnel. Students participate in a variety of tours and learn about related programs from the University of Northern British Columbia and the College of New Caledonia. Eligible students will be in grade 11 or 12.

Application deadline: March 1, 2015

Rotary Youth Leadership Experience (RYLE)

When: April 30-May 3, 2015 Where: Camp Nakamun

This conference provides opportunities for students to improve their goal setting, communication and leadership skills. Lots of fun team work activities and learning about & appreciation of different personality styles. Age 15-18 years

Application deadline: March 20, 2015

Rotary Youth Enrichment Program (RYPEN)

When: May 14-18, 2015 Where: Jasper Palisades (tentatively)

Participants have the opportunity to step outside their comfort zone in a safe and supportive environment to increase their self-confidence. Through a variety of fun activities, participants will focus on self understanding and self-discovery. Boosting their self-confidence and finding a positive self identity. Age 15-18 years

Application deadline: March 20, 2015

Adventures In Music

When: July or August Where: Red Deer, AB

Participants at MusiCamp Alberta work with instructors ensuring the opportunity for musical growth and excellence in a supportive environment. Variety of one week camps to choose from www.musiccampalberta.com

Application deadline: March 20, 2015

Adventures In World Affairs - SUNIA

When: August 16-21 OR August 23-28, 2015 Where: Nordegg, AB

At the Seminar on the United Nations and International Affairs (SUNIA) students will explore the dynamics of international affairs with diplomats from the United Nations and Canadian department of Foreign Affairs and International Trade. Students will have the opportunity to politick and debate as official representatives of U.N. Member Nations at a Security Council simulation. Participants also experience the beauty of the Canadian Rockies with hiking activities.

Application deadline: May 1, 2015

Adventures In Photography & the Night Sky

When: September Where: Athabasca, AB

Opportunity for participants to learn about the science, technology and art of photography, especially as it applies to astronomy. Participants will use SLR cameras to make still photographs of the night sky as well as other subjects (e.g. sunsets, portraits, close-ups). They will also visit two working observatories. **Application deadline: June 1, 2015**

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Youth Program Application Form

Name: _____

High school: _____ Grade: _____

Date of Birth: _____

Address: _____

Telephone: _____

Email: _____

Please indicate which specific program you are applying for.

- Adventures in Citizenship
- Adventures in Technology
- Adventures in Forestry
- Adventures in Music
- Adventures in World Affairs (SUNIA)
- Rotary Youth Leadership Experience (RYLE)
- Rotary Youth Enrichment Program (RYPEN)
- Adventures in Photography

On a separate sheet of paper:

Please tell us a bit about yourself.

Why are you interested in this particular Rotary youth program?

What do you hope to gain that will help you with your present and future plans?

Please submit completed application to your school prior to the deadline. Any questions, please contact Karen Letts by email; kletts@outlook.com