



Rotary Ambassadors for Peace Program

Purpose: To recognize and honor youth who have brought peace into the world by their demeanor and actions.

Recognition: Students selected by their Rotary clubs will be personally recognized at the 28th Annual Rotary Peace Conference on Saturday morning, October 21, 2017, at The Huntington Library in San Marino, California. They and their parents will be granted complementary admission to the conference. Though highly encouraged to attend the entire conference, their presence is not a condition of nomination. All winners will be also invited to participate in a one-day seminar to network with each other, mutually explore their passions for peace, share their peace building activities, and to initiate and carry out a peace project. This seminar will occur after the new year; its date and location are yet to be determined.

Eligibility: Ambassadors for Peace may be middle school, high school, or college students. They may be Interactors or Rotaractors, but that is not a requirement. They must be selected by a Rotary club in District 5300. Children and grandchildren of Rotarians are eligible for this program.

Selection Process: Rotary clubs will publicize the program in their middle schools, high schools, and colleges/universities. Each club may select an individual for the recognition. They are encouraged to work closely with the school administration, counselors, teachers, school activity directors, coaches, and/or Interact and Rotaract advisors. Students must complete an application form which will be used as part of the Rotary club's evaluation of the candidates.

Criteria for Clubs to Consider:

- Students who demonstrate an overall concern for peace in society
- Students who are sensitive to promoting justice and compassion
- Students who effectively deal with conflict among peers
- Students who lead or participate in an outreach program that promotes the well-being of others
- Students who engage in a peace-specific activity related to bullying, sexual harassment, LGBTQ rights, cultural understanding, etc.
- Students who are effectively involved in peer counseling programs, tutoring, cross-cultural understanding, etc.
- Students who interface with the disabled and those with special needs
- Students who reach out to the marginalized, the poor, the homeless, the lonely, the aged

Club Responsibilities:

- Select a volunteer to chair the Ambassadors for Peace Program.
- Contact school administrators, counselors, teachers, coaches, Interact/Rotaract advisors.
- Distribute this Ambassadors for Peace Program information and application forms.
- Select recipients (may include an interview.)
- **Email completed application form(s), other pertinent information, and a high-resolution (250 kb or higher) photograph(s) of the selected recipient to David Kramer (dkgerm@ymail.com) no later than 11:59 PM October 6, 2107.**
- Arrange for the recipient (and parents) to attend the Peace Conference.
- If attending, register the recipient (and parents) for the conference on the district website.
- Follow-up with information about the Ambassadors for Peace Seminar after the new year.

Questions: Contact David Kramer - 909-815-7184 dkgerm@ymail.com