Alabama YMCA Youth in Government

Nomination Form for Office

*****Please note that holding an office is a yearlong commitment. Officers are required to attend officer's retreats, district meetings, Fall Planning, Conferences and training sessions throughout the year*****

A. Qualifications of ALL Officers

1. At least one (1) year's previous Alabama YMCA Youth Legislature experience.
2. Recognized leadership
3. Ability to speak in public extemporaneously.
4. Knowledge of Parliamentary Procedure.
5. Knowledge of current issues and events.
6. Personality, appearance, dress, poise, and good voice.
7. Member of an affiliated Student YMCA or Government Club
8. Ability to attend officer meetings and YIG Events throughout the year.

B. Qualifications of Youth Governor

1. In his/her Senior Year of High School when serving
2. At least one (1) year's previous Alabama YMCA Youth Judicial experience.

C. Qualifications of Lt. Governor and Speaker of the House

1. In his/her Senior Year of High School when serving

D. Qualifications of President Pro Tem, Speaker Pro Tem and Supreme Court Justices

1. At least a Junior in High School when serving
2. ***(Justices Only)*** 1 year previous experience as judge, witness or attorney at Youth Judicial.

E. Qualifications for House & Senate Floor Leaders, Asst. Floor Leaders and Secretary of the State

1. At least a sophomore in High School when serving

F. Qualifications of Chaplains, Secretary of Senate, Clerk of the House, Reading Clerks, Asst. Sec. of the State, Deputy Attorney General and Sgt. at Arms

1. In any high school grade (9-12).

First Year Legislature

G. Qualifications for Presiding Officer (PO)

1. In his/her Junior or Senior Year of High School when serving
2. At least one (1) year's previous Alabama YMCA Youth Legislature Experience.

H. Qualifications of Presiding Officer Pro Tem of First Year Legislature, Floor Leader, Clerk, Chaplain, and Sgt. at Arms

1. No previous Alabama Youth Legislature experience necessary.

Steps to run for office:

1. **Review the available offices for each district at alyig.org**

2. **Review the officer qualifications on the nomination form to ensure eligibility**

3. **Submit officer nomination form along with ten signatures at district meeting to the person in charge of the election. The nomination form may be submitted any time before the day of Session but must be submitted no later than the end of registration on the day of the District Meeting. A candidate for office may not visit the meeting in another District except upon invitation of the Alabama Youth in Government Executive Director.**

4. **Candidates who are nominated by their district continue to run for office at Youth Legislature. Candidates running for office should carefully review the campaign guidelines, paying special attention to rules regarding expenditures and campaign materials. Guidelines can be found at alyig.org.**