

# West Virginia's Next Generation of Civic Leaders



Leadership – Character – Service – Entrepreneurship – Philanthropy 2025 WV Youth in Government Report

#### Students say:

"It was an amazing and professional experience that I am more than glad to consider myself a part of."

"YG is a great thing to experience and I would recommend it to people who care about their government and future."

"This is a wonderful program with wonderful people!"

"I learned way more about the law and how bills are passed. I love being here and it led me to wanting to know more about the legislature."

"I learned many things most people never get the opportunity to."









Youth in Government is an invaluable learning experience for our youth and for adults to learn what today's teenagers believe will improve our state. All YLA programs help youth direct their lives to achievement and active citizenship.

Today's generation is our future. We count on you to learn all you can and do all the good you can to build better futures for all our citizens.









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#### YLA Youth in Government Builds Our Future Leaders









Academic/learning skills students use and develop in the YG process include:

- ◆ Research
- ◆ Public Speaking
- ♦ Oral Communication/Debate
- ◆ Legislative Process
- ◆ Critical Thinking
- ♦ Writing
- ♦ Professional Dress and Behavior
- ♦ Social Interaction
- ◆ Problem Solving & Collaboration
- ♦ Judicial Process
- ◆ Cooperation and Compromise
- ◆ Life Skills









#### 2025 YLA WV Youth in Government Officers

Governor - Thomas Sibold, James Monroe

Senate President – **Sarah McBee**, John Marshall

House Speaker - LeLe Brock, Mingo County

Chief Justice - **Shelby Plants**, Point Pleasant

Senate Clerk - Cole Fogus, James Monroe

House Clerk - Zoe Zervos, John Marshall

Senate Chaplain - Lily Cross, Wirt County

House Chaplain - Maxie Brock, Mingo County

Cabinet Member - Gavin French, James Monroe

Associate Justices:

Cheyenne Harvey, John Marshall

Bryce Isner, Grafton

John "Tripp" McMillion, James Monroe

**Delaney Pearson**, Point Pleasant

100% of our participating youth and adult advisors would recommend YG to others.

92% of students say they learned more about their government by participating in YG than in the classroom.

87% say what they learned at YG will help them succeed in life.

|       | 2025 WEST VIRGINIA YLA YOUTH in GOVERNMENT   | HOUSE | BILLS    |                |                 |     |          |
|-------|--|-------|----------|----------------|-----------------|-----|----------|
| BILL# | TITLE  | СОМ   | D        | ISPOSIT        | ION             |     |          |
|       |  |       | СОМ      | HOUSE<br>FLOOR | SENATE<br>FLOOR | GOV | Override |
| 1     | To Increase Funding for School Buses in West Virginia to Ensure<br>Safe Transportation for Students  | H 01  | PC       | PAH            |                 | GS  |          |
| 2     | Mandatory Narcan Training for All School Employees in All West Virginia Public Schools   |       | PAC      | PH             | PS              | GS  |          |
| 3     | The Compassionate End-of-Life Act  | H 03  | C<br>DEF |                |                 |     |          |
| 4     | To Require the Installation of Street Lights on All Roads with Sidewalks   | H 04  | PC       | PH             |                 | GS  |          |
| 5     | To Legalize Recreational Marijuana with Taxation to Raise Teacher<br>Salary  | H 04  | PC       | PAH            |                 | GV  |          |
| 6     | Prescription Drug Profit Cap   | H 03  | PAC      | PH             | PS              | GS  |          |
| 7     | West Virginia Childhood Obesity Health Act   | H 02  | PC       | H DEF          |                 |     |          |
| 8     | Academic Tutoring Opportunities for K-8  | H 01  | PC       | PH             |                 | GS  |          |
| 9     | To Increase State Minimum Wage   | H 04  | PC       |                | S DEF           |     |          |
| 10    | To Improve Access to Service Animals for At-Risk Veterans Through<br>Partnerships with Service Animal Organizations Supported by the<br>Creation of a State Dairy Products Tax | H 02  | PC       |                | PS              | GS  |          |
| 11    | Add Restrictions to the Purchasing of Firearms   | H 03  | PAC      |                | S DEF           |     |          |
| 12    | Reforming High School Athletic Transfers for Fair Competition  | H 04  | PAC      | HP             |                 | GS  |          |
| 13    | Mandatory Imprisonment of Persons Convicted of Driving Under the Influence (DUI)   | H 04  | C<br>DEF |                |                 |     |          |
| 14    | Requiring Drivers Over 75 to Retake Their Drivers Test   | H 03  | C<br>DEF |                |                 |     |          |
| 15    | The Fair Life Insurance and Vulnerable Risk Management Act   | H 02  | C<br>DEF |                |                 |     |          |
| 16    | Ensure that People Under 18 Shall Not Pay Income Taxes   | H 01  | C<br>DEF |                |                 |     |          |
| 17    | Responsible Firearm Sales Act  | H 01  | PC       | H DEF          |                 |     |          |
| 18    | To Make the Mandatory Number of Instructional Days 170 Per Year  | H 02  | PC       | PH             |                 | GV  |          |
| 19    | The Pornography Ban Act  | H 03  | PC       | H DEF          |                 |     |          |
| 20    | Blair Mountain Act   | H 04  | PC       | PH             |                 | GU  |          |
| 21    | To Legalize Dueling in West Virginia   | H 04  | C<br>DEF |                |                 |     |          |
| 22    | To Require All Schools Across the State of West Virginia to Have Public Boxing Rings for Students and Facility Use   | H 03  | C<br>DEF |                |                 |     |          |
| 23    | The Weezer Act   | H 02  | PC       | H DEF          |                 |     |          |
| 24    | To Expand and Provide Youth Mental Healthcare Access in West Virginia  | H 01  | C<br>DEF |                |                 |     |          |

| 25 | Homeless Student Housing Act       | H 01 | С   |    |    |  |
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|    |                                    |      | DEF |    |    |  |
| 26 | Dueling Disqualification Amendment | H 02 | PC  | PH | GU |  |
| 27 | The Disability Action Act          | H 03 | С   |    |    |  |
|    |                                    |      | DEF |    |    |  |

#### ACTION ON LEGISLATIVE BILLS DISPOSITION INDEX

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| 2025 WEST VIRGINIA YLA YOUTH in GOVERNMENT SENATE BILLS |   |      |          |                 |     |          |  |
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| BILL#   | TITLE   | СОМ  | DI       | SPOSITIO        | ON  |          |  |
|   |   |      | СОМ      | SENATE<br>FLOOR | GOV | Override |  |
| 1   | West Virginia School Safety Enhancement Act: Installation of Metal Detectors in All Public Schools  | S 01 | PC       | PS              | GS  |          |  |
| 2   | To Increase the Affordability of Epinephrine Autoinjectors  | S 02 | PC       | PS              | GS  |          |  |
| 3   | To Provide College Students in Impactful Fields with the Chance to Receive Student Loan Forgiveness | S 02 | PC       | S DEF           |     |          |  |
| 4   | The Need for Philosophy and Ethics be a Required Course in High School                              | S 01 | PAC      | PAS             | GV  |          |  |
| 5   | To Restrain and Suppress the Use of Opioids as Pain Killers in Hospital Use                         | S 01 | PC       | S DEF           |     |          |  |
| 6   | Senior-Citizens Driving Act   | S 02 | PC       | PAS             | GS  |          |  |
| 7   | To Allow Unlimited NTI Days for West Virginia Schools   | S 02 | PC       | PS              | GV  |          |  |
| 8   | To Authorize Paramedics to Determine Time of Death in Certain<br>Circumstances                      | S 01 | PC       | PS              | GV  |          |  |
| 9   | To Legalize Sleeping (On Trains)  | S 01 | PAC      | PS              | GS  |          |  |
| 10  | West Virginia Voter Identification Act  | S 02 | C<br>DEF |                 |     |          |  |
| 11  | The Colonial Affairs Act  | S 02 | C<br>DEF |                 |     |          |  |
| 12  | Reproduction Rights Preservation Act  | S 01 | C<br>DEF |                 |     |          |  |
| 13  | Homeschooling Accountability  | S 01 | C<br>DEF |                 |     |          |  |
| 14  | Protection for Youth Board Members  | S 02 | C<br>DEF |                 |     |          |  |

#### YLA's Distinctive Difference

**On-going process** – Leadership preparation is a process, not an event:

**Learn by doing** – Leadership requires action best learned by doing;

**Time away** – Leadership preparation thrives with time away from everyday distractions—YLA offers Youth in Government, Model UN, Entrepreneurship and Leadership Summits at Horseshoe, plus teen leadership retreats and conferences;

**Making a real difference** – The value of leadership training must be measured by differences youth make in their homes, schools, communities, and world.





#### YLA Connects Youth to their Communities











#### YLA Opens windows on the world ~ YLA Connects Youth with Peers beyond their Communities and State

#### **YLA Model United Nations**

YLA Model United Nations is a great opportunity to learn about the world and experience what a UN Assembly is like.





This is a great experience for anyone who is interested in world events. Not only do you see conflict from another point of view, but you also get to meet great people in the friends you make. MUN participants write and debate resolutions as they represent member nations in Council and General Assembly.

#### **YLA Fall Leadership Conference**

One of the best weekends of the year! The informal and inclusive atmosphere of YLA's Fall Conference allows students to develop essential leadership skills, meet new people, and further personal involvement in their community. A great conference to train your student body government for a successful school year.





# Youth \*LA. Leadership Assocation www.ylaleads.org

YLA engages youth in school and community-based initiatives developing leadership, civic engagement, and life skills. Students apply classroom learning to real-life projects and challenges, preparing for work, citizenship, and community leadership.

## YLA youth...

- Volunteer to meet real school and community needs
- Build relationships with local leaders and diverse communities
- Promote positive, healthy, achievement-focused peer culture
- Gain life skills communication, time management, goal-setting, and making healthy choices
- Explore careers through hands-on experience and mentorship

## **YLA** is Local and Beyond

• YLA Local Youth Chapters

Incubators of leadership where teens plan, organize, and lead service initiatives. Students gain confidence, responsibility, and readiness for future success.

#### YLA Youth in Government

Students "take over" the state capitol, acting as legislators and judicial officers, applying civics lessons in a real-world setting. Some proposed student laws have become actual state laws.

#### YLA Youth & Government Seminars

8th graders experience state government firsthand through interaction with legislators and officials during the legislative session.

#### • YLA Window on the World

A hands-on introduction to international affairs, YLA Model United Nations students represent countries, debate global issues, and gain cross-cultural understanding.

Developing Leadership, Character, Service, Entrepreneurship, and Philanthropy

#### • YLA Camp Horseshoe

From our beautiful West
Virginia Appalachian Mountains in
the Monongalia National Forest, we
impact all the Mountain State and
beyond with life-changing Teen
Leadership and Entrepreneurship
Summits, Adventure Camps, Youth
Opportunity Camps for low-income
children and host conferences,
retreats, camps, programs, and
family events for others.

#### • YLA Cave Lake

Cave Lake's 732 acres are a natural Ohio treasure and home to YLA's year-round center for community leadership. Youth, adult, family, and organizational programs build future leaders and strengthen communities across Ohio and beyond. Cave Lake also hosts conferences, camps, and family events.

#### Alumni and Others

Support and expand our youth programs through mentorship, advocacy, financial investments, and continuing leadership development.

## **YLA's Distinctive Difference**

YLA isn't a class, a textbook, or a competition. It's a journey of discovery where youth live the big questions and build real community. They learn by doing—by connecting with others, near and far; by listening, communicating, and opening their hearts and minds to service; and by working to improve their schools and communities.

## **In YLA Lives are Transformed**

"The way I think about myself, my mindset, my abilities, my engagement, my character, and my social skills are all different because of YLA."

"You make friendships and connections that show you who you are and who you can be."

"It helps you meet new people and grow into a leader."

"The number one thing I got out of this was clarity in my identity . . . I know who I want to become."

"I learned to be friends with people who have different interests."

"I have become a more confident person in groups."

"I learned how to conduct myself in a professional manner."

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YLA's program roots extend back to 1867

# Correlation of West Virginia College-and Career-Readiness Standards with YLA Youth in Government Social Studies

| Standard Name     | Description  | YLA Program to Address Standard  |
|-------------------|--|--|
|                   | United States Studies  |  |
| Civics: SS.US.1   | Evaluate, then defend, the importance of the fundamental democratic values and principles of U.S. constitutional democracy. Consider conflicts between individuals, communities and nations, liberty and equality, individual rights and the common good, majority rule and minority rights, and the rule of law vs. ethics (e.g., civil disobedience).  | Experience the principles of<br>constitutional democracy<br>firsthand by writing, defending,<br>and voting for bills that address<br>relevant issues.  |
| Civics: SS.US.2   | Define the duties of citizens that are necessary to preserve US democracy (e.g., become informed and active in a democracy-through jury duty, paying taxes, public forums (local, state, and/or federal), voting and conscription.).   | Participate as a member of the legislative, judicial, or executive branches, or as a page, member of the press, or lobbyist at the Capitol Complex in Charleston.                              |
| Civics: SS.US.3   | Identify the issues regarding the evolution of United States citizenship and evaluate responsibilities and rights of United States citizens (e.g., landownership, race, gender, and age).  | Demonstrate an understanding of<br>the rights and responsibilities of<br>civic involvement by running for<br>an office in local and state Youth<br>in Government chapters.                     |
| History: SS.US.19 | <ul> <li>Demonstrate an understanding of the establishment of the United States as a new nation.</li> <li>Explain the impact of the Declaration of Independence and the American Revolution on the American colonies and the world.</li> <li>Explain the strengths and weaknesses of government under the Articles of Confederation.</li> <li>Summarize events leading to the creation of the U.S. Constitution (e.g., country's economic crisis, Shay's Rebellion and purpose outlined in the Preamble).</li> <li>Explain fundamental principles and purposes of the U.S. Constitution and Bill of Rights (e.g., through the Magna Carta, the English Bill of Rights, colonial charters and the political philosophies of the Enlightenment).</li> <li>Trace the emergence of the American two party political system (Federalists-Anti-Federalists, election of 1800, etc.).</li> <li>Compare and contrast the position of the political parties and leaders on a variety of issues (e.g., economic development, territorial expansion, political participation, individual rights,</li> </ul> | Learn the importance of the founding documents of the United States and established principles of governance while participating in legislative and judicial sessions at the WV State Capitol. |

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|                       | states' rights, slavery and social reforms).  • Analyze the impact of United States Supreme Court decisions (e.g. Marbury v. Madison, McCullough v. Maryland, Dred Scott v. Stanford and Plessy v. Ferguson).  |  |
|                       | United States Studies - Compre   | hensive  |
| Civics: SS.USC.1      | Identify the issues regarding the evolution of United States citizenship and evaluate responsibilities and rights of United States citizens (e.g. landownership, race, gender and age).  | Demonstrate an understanding of<br>the rights and responsibilities of<br>civic involvement by running for<br>an office in local and state Youth<br>in Government chapters.   |
| Civics: SS.USC.2      | Evaluate, then defend the importance of the fundamental democratic values and principles of U.S. constitutional democracy in a global context including conflicts between individuals, communities and nations:  • Liberty and equality  • Individual rights and the common good  • Majority rule and minority rights  • The rule of law and ethics (e.g., civil disobedience)  • Patriotism   | <ul> <li>Experience the principles of constitutional democracy firsthand by writing, defending, and voting for bills that address relevant issues.</li> <li>Exhibit patriotism by participating in traditions at opening and closing sessions of Youth in Government.</li> </ul> |
| Civics: SS.USC.3      | Compare various citizens' responses to controversial government policies and actions by monitoring and debating government decisions, and create a cooperative and peaceful solution to controversial policies and actions.  | Practice discussion and civil discourse skills in committees and sessions in the Senate and House chambers and State Supreme Court.  |
| Civics: SS.USC.4      | Analyze multiple media sources and their influence on public opinion and policy issues.  | Produce a daily newsletter<br>highlighting Youth in Government<br>events.  |
| Civics: SS.USC.5      | Evaluate court cases essential to fundamental democratic principles and values (e.g., Brown c. BOE Topeka, Miranda v. Arizona, Roe v. Wade, Mapp v. Ohio, Schenck v. U.S., and Doe v. Holder (P.A.T.R.I.O.T. Act).   | Serve as a member of the judicial<br>branch, presiding over actual and<br>mock judicial cases in the WV<br>State Supreme Courtroom.  |
| History:<br>SS.USC.30 | <ul> <li>Demonstrate an understanding of America's continued role in the complex global community.</li> <li>Evaluate the causes and effects of acts of foreign and domestic terrorism before and after 9/11. (e.g. Iran hostage crisis, 1993 World Trade Center, Oklahoma City, USS Cole, 2001 attacks on World Trade Center &amp; Pentagon, PATRIOT Act, death of Osama bin Laden)</li> <li>Identify the positive and negative consequences of the advancement of technology.</li> <li>Evaluate and explain modern American policies (i.e., foreign and domestic), immigration, the global environment, and other current emerging issues.</li> </ul> | Address domestic and foreign policies as they affect relevant issues in judicial cases, legislative committees, and legislative sessions in the chambers of the WV House and WV Senate.  |

|                                | Contemporary Studies  | 5 |   |
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| Civics: SS.CS.1                | Evaluate, then defend, the importance of the fundamental democratic values and principles of U.S. constitutional democracy in a global context including conflicts between individuals, communities and nations.  • Liberty and equality  • Individual rights and the common good  • Majority rule and minority rights  • Rule of Law and ethics (e.g., civil disobedience)  • Patriotism | • | Experience the principles of constitutional democracy firsthand by writing, defending, and voting for bills that address relevant issues. Exhibit patriotism by participating in traditions at opening and closing sessions of Youth in Government. |
| Civics: SS.CS.2                | Justify the duties of citizens that are necessary to preserve global democracy.  • Public forums (local, national, and/or global)  • Analysis of voting apathy and resulting consequences  • Personal freedoms throughout the world  • Role of international government and non-government organizations (e.g. League of Nations and U.N.)  | • | Engage in public discourse on the state level by sponsoring, defending, and voting for bills on relevant, student-selected issues, judging judicial cases, lobbying, or serving as a member of the press at the WV State Capitol.                   |
| Civics: SS.CS.3                | Analyze and apply ways U.S. and world conflicts can be resolved in a cooperative and peaceful manner.   | • | Practice discussion and civil discourse skills in committees and sessions at the WV Capitol.  |
| Civics: SS.CS.4                | Evaluate court cases essential to fundamental democratic principles and values (e.g.; amendments since 1920, Brown v. BOE Topeka, Miranda v. Arizona, Roe v. Wade and the P.A.T.R.I.O.T. Act).  | • | Learn the judicial system by participating as an appellant, justice, or clerk evaluating real and mock judicial cases in the WV State Supreme Courtroom.  |
| Economics:<br>SS.CS.7          | Assess how various executive initiatives and legislative acts influence the United States economy (e.g. Fourteen Points, New Deal, Domino Theory, Great Society, Space Race and Strategic Defense Initiative).  | • | Practice writing bills, presenting them in committees and general sessions, and experiencing the legislative and executive process in the WV House and Senate.  |
|                                | Civics  |   |   |
| Civics: SS.C.1  Civics: SS.C.2 | Strive to become vigilant, informed citizens who actively participate in the preservation and improvement of American government through community service and service-learning (e.g., individual service projects, patriotic events, mock trials, group initiatives, community volunteerism).  Explore social contracts and the  | • | Participate as an engaged citizen by writing bills on real-life, relevant issues, engaging in mock trials and mock legislative sessions, and running for an elected state or local office in the YLA Youth Government.  Study the rule of law,      |
|                                | establishment of the rule of law, and evaluate how limited government and the rule of law protect individual rights.  |   | government limitations, and individual rights while authoring bills that make positive changes for citizens.  |
| Civics: SS.C.3                 | Demonstrate that the purpose of American government is the protection of personal, political and economic rights of citizens as evidenced by the <i>Declaration of Independence</i> , the <i>U.S. Constitution</i> , Constitutional Amendments and the ideas of those involved in the establishment of American government.   | • | Examine the purpose of government and the founding documents while preparing for and presenting in the legislative, judicial, or executive branches of Youth in Government.   |

| Civics: SS.C.4        | Consider factors that subvert liberty (including lack of education, voter apathy, disenfranchisement, civil inequalities, economic issues, loss of public trust and misuse of government power), then collaborate, compromise, and by consensus, create a model that informed citizens can use to defend and perpetuate the American Republic. | • | Work on teams to co-author bills<br>to address issues that subvert<br>liberty, then work in committees<br>to present, amend, and pass<br>legislation that achieves the goals<br>of the American Republic. |
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| Civics: SS.C.7        | Evaluate the elements in the <i>U.S.</i> Constitution that make it a living document with democratic principles that are modified and expanded to meet the changing needs of society.  | • | Study the U.S. Constitution while preparing for bill presentations or judicial cases during Youth in Government at the State Capitol.   |
| Civics: SS.C.11       | Analyze how the freedoms of speech and press in a democratic society enable citizens to develop informed opinions, express their views, shape public policy and monitor government actions.  | • | Practice freedom of speech and democracy while presenting in committees and in legislative sessions, or as a member of the press at Youth in Government.  |
| Civics: SS.C.12       | Determine how conflicts between the rights of citizens and society's need for order can be resolved while preserving both liberty and safety.  | • | Engage in democratic discourse to make legislative, judicial, and executive decisions for the good of society at the State Capitol.   |
| Civics: SS.C.13       | Compare and contrast the original and appellate jurisdictions of local, state and national judicial systems to show how America's court system addresses criminal and civil cases.   | • | Study judicial systems on the local, state, and national levels while preparing for and participating in mock judicial cases in the WV Supreme Court.   |
| Civics: SS.C.15       | Develop an understanding of the American legal system through examining existing ordinances, statutes and Federal Acts, exploring the differences between criminal and civil law and determining the legal obligations and liabilities of American citizenship.  | • | Study the American legal system while preparing for legislative sessions and judicial sessions at the State Capitol complex during the Youth in Government conference.                                    |
| Civics: SS.C.18       | Investigate the impact that special interest groups have on shaping public policy at local, state and national levels.   | • | Engage in public policy making by participating as a lobbyist at Youth in Government.   |
| Civics: SS.C.20       | Examine how decisions and policies of state and local government impact the lives of citizens –such as local issues and problems, structure of local government (e.g., differences in incorporation, providing public services and mayoral styles), zoning and annexation, land use and urban sprawl, and ordinances and jurisdiction.         | • | Evaluate the impact of state and local government decisions by writing, rating, sponsoring, and voting for or against bills authored by students from all over West Virginia.                             |
|                       | Economics  |   |   |
| Economics:<br>SS.E.13 | Describe and compare relationships among economic institutions (e.g., households, businesses, banks, government agencies and labor unions.   | • | Experience the role of government in economics by considering and passing legislation impacting local and   |
| Economics:<br>SS.E.36 | Describe the aims of government fiscal policies (taxation, borrowing and spending) and their influence on production, employment, and price levels.  |   | state economics.  |



#### 69th WV YLA Youth in Government

April 22 - 24, 2026
Student Legislature and Model Supreme Court
PARTICIPATION AGREEMENT

#### This Form is due by December 5.

(Participation accepted after this date if space permits.)

Your group's participation in WV YLA Youth in Government all starts with this piece of paper. Please print legibly and complete the information for your entire group. The form will help you organize yourself and collect the money and information you need to have a fantastic experience.

#### FIRST—Your Group Info:

| Delegation/School Name | Advisor/Adult Contact |       |     |  |  |  |
|------------------------|-----------------------|-------|-----|--|--|--|
| Mailing Address        | City                  | State | Zip |  |  |  |
| Daytime Phone :        | Cell Phone:           |       |     |  |  |  |
| E-mail Address:        |                       |       |     |  |  |  |
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#### SECOND—How much does it cost?

Fees for WV Youth in Government are set well below our actual costs. Our organization finds donors and scholarship monies to ensure that every student who wants to participate has the opportunity, regardless of their financial situation. Your group's efforts to make the process efficient will ensure that we can continue to help. Simply put, please submit your materials ON TIME, so we can do it right the first time.

YLA Students pay \$300 total (includes housing—4/room)

Non-YLA Students pay \$325 total (includes housing-4/room)

YLA Adults in a shared room pay \$180 with an adult from your delegation (includes housing—2/room)

Non-YLA Adults in a shared room with an adult from your delegation pay \$205 (includes housing—2/room)

YLA-Adults in a private room pay \$280 (includes housing—1/room)

Non-YLA-Adults in a private room pay \$305 (includes housing—1/room)

\$10 Additional Fee per person that uses paper registration forms and not online!

#### THIRD—Get your group organized.

Complete the PARTICIPATION ROSTER (page 3) to identify who will be working in each program area. **Legislative** delegates write their bill proposal (in pairs) to create, change, or amend a law in West Virginia. **Judicial** delegates work in groups of 2-4 students to write, argue, and present their case before the Model Supreme Court.

**Press** delegates attend the event and cover the happenings through traditional print media, but also on social media platforms.

**Page** delegates serve committees and legislative bodies to keep the process running smoothly. **Lobbyist** delegates select 6-8 pieces of legislation written by other students and bring information to the Legislature to influence the passage/defeat of the proposals.

**Officer** delegates are elected/ appointed prior to the event to serve in their official capacity during the 3-day session.

#### **FOURTH—Determine How You Will Pay Fees**

As the advisor for the group, choose the plan that works best for you:

| All monies will be paid through a school/organization account. You will handle all of the collection and                                  |
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| check requisitions. (Students may still register online.) Our Purchase Order # is   |
| Mixed Payment— Our deposits (\$80/person) will be paid (circle one)School Check / Online  |
| Our final fees will be paid by (circle one) School Check / Online   |
| Everything Paid Online—Each individual (both students and adults) will register and pay the total fee online with a credit or debit card. |

# FIFTH—Submit This ENTIRE Packet [Pages 1-3—Participation Agreement and Roster] with Non-refundable Deposit (December 5th).

You may mail this Participation Agreement and Roster by postmark 12/5 to:
WV YLA Youth in Government
522 Sandhill Road
Point Pleasant, WV 25550
OR Fax this entire form to (304) 675-5977 and have the Treasurer mail the check by postmark
12/5

OR Scan the entire form and e-mail to alicia@ylaleads.org with the check mailed separately by postmark 12/5.

MAIL ALL PAYMENT TO: YLA Business Office 522 Sandhill Road Point Pleasant, WV 25550

#### SIXTH—Prepare your Group for the Conference

- · Invite our staff to come to one of your meetings to help you prepare.
- · Use the online manual to ensure you are using the correct format for bill submission.
- · Download the Word template for bill submission.
- Identify & submit Officer Candidates as a group for the 2027 WV YG session (before March 1).
- Practice, practice, practice... Hold several sessions to allow each member to become comfortable with the process. Help is just a phone call away.

# SEVENTH—Submit your Final Fees and Bills/Cases ....before the Deadline (February 10)

Using the resources online, make sure that everyone completes and submits their work to be included in the Bill Book / Case Book prior to the February 10th deadline to receive the lowest rate.

As soon as the books are complete, you will receive an electronic version and hard copies will be given at the program. Continue your practice sessions and show up in Charleston ready to debate, meet new people, and strengthen West Virginia's future.

\$25 Additional Fee per person that doesn't meet the February 10th deadline!

#### PARTICIPATION ROSTER WV Youth in Government 2026

DUE: December 5

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## WV YLA Youth in Government Student Registration & Medical Release April 22-24, 2026 (Wed.-Fri.) Registration due Feb. 10



| Delegation (School/YLA)  |                                 |                       | _ Birth Date            |                                    | _ Sex             | Male              | Female         |
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| Name   |                                 |                       | P                       | referred Na                        | me                |                   |                |
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| If you have <b>NOT</b> submitted yo  | our \$80 deposit                | but your <b>FUL</b>   | <b>L</b> payment will b | e postmarked o                     | n or befor        | e February 10     | )              |
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| I have read and understand the Code of Cond YES NO   | uct printed on back.            | By submitting the     | registration, I SUPPC   | ORT AND AGREE TO A                 | BIDE BY THE       | CODE OF COND      | UCT.           |
| Student Name   |                                 |                       |                         |                                    | Date              |                   |                |
| Parent/Guardian Name   |                                 |                       |                         |                                    | Date              |                   |                |
| Parent/Guardian Signature  |                                 |                       |                         |                                    |                   |                   |                |
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#### CODE OF CONDUCT: YLA FAMILY OF PROGRAMS

#### Ohio-West Virginia Youth Leadership Association



YLA, Fall Conference, Youth & Government Seminars, Youth in Government, Model United Nations, Horseshoe, Cave Lake

YLA programs work to build responsible life-long good citizens of character who work to build better homes, schools and communities for all.

Participation in all parts of a YLA program shall be maintained on an intellectual and productive level. A level of conduct is expected of all participants (youth, advisor and staff) that requires self-control, individual decision-making, responsibility and adherence to a dress code that is appropriate to each program.

Responsible conduct must be the concern of each participant for the responsibilities and rights of every individual and that of the group. Being responsible for one's own behavior at all times is a necessary part of self-government. It is essential that all students, advisors and staff act responsibly to ensure that their own conduct and attitude are beneficial not only to themselves and all other participants but also to ensure the continuation of the program. By choosing to participate, it is expected that each individual has read, understands and agrees to follow the Code of Conduct while attending any conference sponsored by YLA.

All participants share equally the responsibility for their actions when violations of the Code of Conduct are witnessed. Those who decide to be present when a violation occurs shall by their own choice, be considered a participant in the violation. In this program there are no "innocent bystanders."

Each person must recognize that their failure to carry out the Code of Conduct may lead to their own and perhaps their total delegation's dismissal from the program.

Each person & delegation is to support the purpose & procedures of the YLA program they are attending in both spirit, action & work for the success of the program for everyone.

In general, the behavior that is expected can be summarized in these four (4) points:

1) Treat others as one wants to be treated. 2) Do not do anything that hurts another person, place, or thing. 3) Do not do anything that could potentially bring harm to another person, place, or thing. 4) Do not fail to do something that would help others, make the place we are using cleaner, safer and a better experience for all.

More specifically, this Code of Conduct has been developed to identify the type of personal behavior that is consistent with the purpose of YLA programs. The items in the Code are based upon performance and are designed to protect everyone involved including the welfare of these programs for future generations. Participation in a YLA program indicates personal acceptance of this Code of Conduct.

Individuals, delegations and Advisors are to carry out the Code. Where necessary, YLA Staff will assist and reserve the right (discretion) for the "final say" as these programs are YLA programs. We, the participants, advisors and staff taking part in YLA programs are to uphold the following CODE OF CONDUCT.

- Each participant shall conduct themselves in an orderly and responsible manner in transit to and from, and during all functions of YLA programs. Personal behavior reflects upon the quality of the program, one's delegation, YLA, school and one's self. Participants are expected to conform to this Code of Conduct on the honor system. (Discretion of YLA Staff) and possibly (Lose position or privileges) and/or (Call parent-send home) and/or (Notify school officials).
- .. Participation in all parts of a YLA program shall be maintained on an intellectual & productive level. (Discretion of YLA Staff) & possibly (Lose position or privileges).
- 3. Nametags shall be worn visibly on the front of the upper torso at all times at conferences when outside assigned lodging facility room. (Discretion of YLA Staff) and possibly (Lose position or privileges).
- 4. Each participant shall attend all scheduled program functions, activities, meetings, etc. (Discretion of YLA Staff) and possibly (Lose position or privileges) and/or (Call parents-send home) and/or (Notify school officials).
- 5. Harassment or intimidation by words, gestures, body language or any other menacing behavior will not be tolerated at any YLA function, activity, meeting and training session. (Discretion of YLA Staff) and possibly (Lose position or privileges) and/or (Call parents-send home) and/or (Notify school officials) and/or (Call security) or (Summon police).
- The use, possession or concealment of incense, candles, tobacco products, alcoholic beverages or non-prescription drugs are forbidden at any YLA program, function, (Summon police)
   Call parents-send home) and/or (Notify school officials) and possibly (Call security) and/or (Summon police)
- The use, possession or concealment of any weapons are forbidden at any YLA conference or function. (Call parents-send home) and/or (Notify school officials) and possibly (Call security) and/or (Summon police).
- 8. The use, possession or concealment of electronic devices including but not limited to compact disc or tape players, video games, radios, TV's, cell phones, etc. shall not be permitted during official program functions. They are not permitted anytime at YLA programs held at Horseshoe. (Discretion of YLA Staff) and possibly (Lose position or privileges) and/or (have the item(s) taken for the duration of the conference, camp or activity).
- 9. Each participant is legally and financially responsible for any removal, defacing or willful damage to public or private property. This includes the property of other participants, advisors and staff, organizations, businesses, lodging and conference facilities and the State. (Discretion of YLA Staff) (Call parents-send home) and/or (Notify school officials) and possibly (call security) and/or (Summon police).
- 10. Materials of lodging and conference facilities, State and state officials at Youth in Government, and any other facility in use by a YLA program shall not be removed or tampered with in any way. (Discretion of YLA Staff) and possibly (Call parents-send home) and/or (Notify school officials) and possibly (Call security).
- 11. No participant shall leave a program function unless the approval of their advisor AND YLA Staff is secured. The participant is to be picked up and returned by a parent or legal guardian. (Call parents-send home) and/or (Notify school officials).
- 12. Participants shall not leave the lodging facility except while in transit to or from an official program function or activity. Participants may not use or be transported in private vehicles during any program function without approval of a parent or legal guardian and adult Advisor and YLA Staff. (Discretion of YLA Staff) and possibly (Call parents-send home) and/or (Notify school officials).
- 13. Lodging facility room switches are not permitted without the approval of the delegation advisor and YLA Staff. (Discretion of YLA Staff) and possibly (Call parents-send home) and/or (Notify school officials).
- 14. There is NO coed visiting in lodging facility rooms or in coed delegation meetings in lodging rooms. (Discretion of YLA Staff) and possibly (Call parents-send home) and/or (Notify school officials).
- 15. Participants shall observe quiet hours in consideration of those who choose to rest. Participants shall be in and remain in their assigned lodging facility room by the curfew listed for the program. Curfew will remain in effect until 7:00 a.m. the next morning. (Discretion of YLA Staff) and possibly (Lose position or privileges) or (Call parents-send home) and/or (Notify school officials).
- 16. Participants shall not invite or receive visitors. Visitors, alumni, etc. are not permitted in the lodging facility unless approved by the Advisor and YLA Staff. Visitors, alumni, etc. are not permitted in lodging facility guest sleeping rooms at any time. (Discretion of YLA Staff) and possibly (Lose position or privileges) or (Call parents-send home) and/or (Notify school officials).
- 17. Guests are restricted to lobbies and visitor areas unless approval is secured from YLA Staff. (Discretion of YLA Staff) and possibly (Call security) or (Summon police).
- 18. Participants, advisors and staff will dress appropriately for the program they are attending. Of particular concern is YG where appropriate dress for men is suits or dress pants-dress shirt tie and jacket. Appropriate dress for women is a business suit or business dress. YG is in the State Capitol where proper business dress is expected. See YG manual for complete description. For recreation at YG, casual dress is appropriate. (Discretion of YLA Staff).
- 19. Chewing gum, candy, food and beverages are not permitted in the Capitol, Supreme Court, and in certain areas of other programs. (Discretion of YLA Staff) and possibly (Lose position or privileges) or (Call parents-send home) and/or (Notify school officials).

#### CANCELLATIONS AND REFUND POLICY

The best laid plans can go awry. Due to the significantly lower fees charged to participants, YLA has no flexibility to provide refunds. Therefore, our policy is NOT to provide refunds. Your deposit is a down payment (your word) that you will attend. We will make advance payments to other parties to hold space for you. Please do not ask for this deposit money to be applied to another's final payment—it has already been used to hold your space and is not refundable. Groups MAY substitute another individual for the cancelling student.

Things to remember

- A. Local YLA groups who want to provide refunds to anyone who cancels need to set aside money to provide such refunds locally.
- B. Delegations do not refer parents, participants, school, or other administrators to YLA with refund questions. Handle these questions locally.
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- D. Local groups may want to consider purchasing an insurance policy that pays, if for some reason the group needs to cancel out of the program. Check with your insurance company about coverage (i.e. trip insurance).
- E. Weather Our first priority is always safety. If a weather event happens in your area and you are unable to attend, we understand your absence and want you to stay safe. Do not place yourself or others in danger.

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#### YLA West Virginia Youth in Government Advisor Registration Form



Wednesday, April 22 - Friday, April 24, 2026

#### Registration due Feb. 10

| Name:  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|--|--|--|--|--|--|--|--|--|--|
| First  | Last   | Preferred on Nametag   |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Address:   |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| State: Zip:  | Phone:   | Cell:  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Email:   | Email:YLA Delegation:  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| EpiPen: Yes  | No Allergies/medical conditions:   |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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|  | n, <b>affiliated</b> , \$100 is your final fee.<br>n, <b>unaffiliated</b> , \$125 is your final fee.   | Double rooms are only available  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | n, <b>affiliated</b> , \$200 is your final fee.<br>n, <b>unaffiliated</b> , \$225 is your final fee.   | if you are sharing with an adult from your delegation!                                     |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| payment will be postmarked For a double room For a double room For a private room                                    | your \$80 deposit but your <b>FULL</b> d on or before February 10 (please mark you, <b>affiliated</b> , \$180 is your final fee. d, <b>unaffiliated</b> , enter \$205 is your final fee. d, <b>affiliated</b> , \$280 is your final fee. d, <b>unaffiliated</b> , \$305 is your final fee. |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Pay Fees Completely  | or in Two Payments. The paym   | •  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |

- Participation Fee of \$80 per person due with Participation Agreement to reserve places for your delegation. Submit any time between August 1 and December 5. Accepted after December 5, if space is available.
- 2. Due to Youth in Government Office no later than postmark February 10.

If final fee is NOT postmarked by February 10, add \$25 to your final fee for each person.

Adult Delegation Leader is responsible to send all Adult and Student Materials, Final Fees, and Completed Registration Forms to the

Youth in Government Office at 522 Sandhill Road, Point Pleasant, WV 25550 If possible, send one check payable to: Ohio - West Virginia YLA

#### **Cancellations and Refund Policy (Advisor)**

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Hotel Housing Request - DUE FEBRUARY 10 Delegation: \_ Advisor: \_\_\_\_\_ Please pre-assign rooms and list the names, delegate type, and gender for your participants. The YLA reserves the right to make changes in room assignments if needed. Identify Adults with an asterisk (\*), and indicate with P if private room is requested (adults only- additional charge). Fill entire room before starting on next one, if you do not we will have to finish filling them with students from another delegation. WE WILL BE STAYING AT THE 4 POINTS HOTEL IN 2026 - 600 KANAWHA BLVD. E Student Μ Student Student Room #1 Room #2 Room #3 Adult Adult Adult 2 2 3 3 4 4 Student M Student Student Room #4 Room #5 Room #6 Adult Adult Adult 2 2 3 3 4 4 Student Student Student Μ Room #7 Room #8 Room #9 Adult Adult Adult 2 2 3 3 4 4 Student Student Student Room #10 Room #11 Room #12 Adult Adult Adult 1 2 2 3 3 4 4 Special Instructions:

| Nominee  | Name   | Office   | Seeking   |  |
|--|--|--|---|--|
| Address _  |  | City   |   | State  |
| Zip  | Home Phone   |  | Cell Phone  |  |
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| Delegatio  | n  | School _   |   |  |
| *Enclose   | a picture for use in the You   | th in Government Pri   | nted Material   |  |
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| Student (  | Candidate: Signature   |  | Date  | •  |
| officer. I   | t this application, unders<br>also understand my chil<br>June 14-20 or lose their  | d, if elected, will be   | -   |  |
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Delegation Leaders - Return complete Nomination Packet by postmark March 1st to WV Youth in Government, 522 Sandhill Road, Point Pleasant, WV 25550



#### Certification of Officer Nomination for WV Youth in Government Due No Later Than Postmark March 1st

to close nominations for Governor, Chief Justice, President of the Senate and Speaker of the House (accepted at YG if no one applies by March 1)

#### **Instructions**

- 1. Delegations conduct a Nomination Election to determine officer nominations.
- 2. Certify by signature of the Delegation Leader that -
  - Nominees meet the qualifications for the office.
  - Nominees will participate on an intellectual and productive level in the performance of their duties including attendance for the total time at the programs required of West Virginia YG Officers.
  - The nominee(s) have won the nomination of our local Delegation.
  - If elected, I understand to retain the office, they are required to attend Teen Leadership Summit held at Camp Horseshoe in June and Bill/Case Rating in Feb.
- 3. Have each nominee complete the reverse side (make additional copies as needed).
- Delegation Leader mail completed Nomination Packet to the YG Office no later than March 1st postmark

| Please Type or print               |              |  |  |
|------------------------------------|--------------|--|--|
| Delegation Name                    |              | Delegation Leader                              |  |
| School                             | Signature    | Date   |  |
|                                    | Nominee Name |  |  |
| Governor                           |              |  |  |
| Chief Justice                      | Must be in t | the Judicial Program to run for Chief Justice. |  |
| President of the Senate            |              |  |  |
| Speaker of the House               |              |  |  |
| Clerk (Specify House or Senate)    |              |  |  |
| Chaplain (Specify House or Senate) |              |  |  |

It is YLA policy that an officer who does not participate in the Leadership Summit at Horseshoe June 14 - 20 will be removed from office since they are not there to perform their duties. The newly-appointed officer would then complete the term of office through the April YG Conference.





# **Application for 2027 WV YLA Youth in Government Associate Justice**

**Submit no later than May 12th** 

| Applicant's Name:   | Delegation:   |                                    |  |  |
|---|---|------------------------------------|--|--|
|   | City:   |                                    |  |  |
| Zip Cell Phone  | Home Phone  |                                    |  |  |
|   |   | Year of Graduation                 |  |  |
| Previous Youth in Government I  | Experience (list years and position):   |                                    |  |  |
|   |   |                                    |  |  |
| Explain how your leadership sty   | le, experience, commitment, time, and ideas   | for and about Youth in             |  |  |
| Government qualify you for this   | s position. Attach an additional sheet with you   | ır answers as needed.              |  |  |
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| <i>If appointed an Associate Justice l</i>  | by the Chief Justice, I will carry out my responsik   | oilities to the Chief              |  |  |
| Justice and the YG Judicial progra<br>February to assist the Chief Justice<br>Government. | m. I will attend Camp Horseshoe June 14 - 20 o<br>e in setting the schedule of cases and planning j | and case rating in<br>for Youth in |  |  |
| Applicant's Signature:  | Date: _   |                                    |  |  |
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| support this application and und  | erstand the responsibilities expected of an Asso  | ciale justice.                     |  |  |
| Parent's Signature:   | Date:   |                                    |  |  |
| Advisor's Signatura:  | Date:   |                                    |  |  |



# Application for 2027 WV YLA Youth in Government Governor's Cabinet

#### Submit no later than May 12th

| Applicant's Name:   | Delegation:  |                            |
|---|--|----------------------------|
| Address:  | City:  | State:                     |
| Zip Cell Phone  | City:<br>Home Phone  |                            |
| Email   | Year of C  | Graduation                 |
| Previous Youth in Government E                                      | Experience (list years and position):  |                            |
|   | le, experience, commitment, time, and ideas f<br>position. Attach an additional sheet with you   |                            |
| YG manual and Bill Book. I will a assist the Youth Governor in prep | e Youth Governor, I will carry out my responsibil<br>attend Teen Leadership Summit <b>June 14-20</b> and<br>paring for YG in April.  Date: | bill rating in February to |
| support this application and unde                                   | erstand the responsibilities expected of a Cabine  | et member.                 |
| Parent's Signature:   | Date: _  |                            |
| Advisor's Signature:  | Date: _  |                            |

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#### **Application for 2027 WV YLA Youth in Government Committee Chair**

#### **Submit no later than May 12th**

| Delegation Name               |  |                        |
|-------------------------------|--|------------------------|
|                               | Email  |                        |
| Address                       | County                                       |                        |
| City                          | State Zip                                    |                        |
| Cell Phone                    | Home Phone                                   | Grad Year              |
| Email                         |  |                        |
| My previous Youth in Gove     | ernment Participation (years and position)   | ) include:             |
| l am qualified to be a Com    | ımittee Chair because:                       |                        |
| I will help the Committee by: | be a successful experience to all members    | s and those who appear |
|                               | effort to participate in the Leadership Sumn |                        |
| Parent's Signature:           |  | Date:                  |
| Advisor's Signature:          |  | Date:                  |
| Applicants Signature:         |  | Date:                  |
| On other side, this applica   | ntion, the Delegation explains why they do   | or do not support this |
| application for Committee     | e leadership. The explanation is to be signe | ed by your Advisor.    |

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# Application for 2027 WV YLA Youth in Government Press Editor

#### **Submit no later than May 12th**

| Applicant's Name: |                                   | Delegation:   |                          |  |
|-------------------|-----------------------------------|---|--------------------------|--|
|                   |                                   | City:   |                          |  |
| Zip               | Cell Phone                        | Home Phone  |                          |  |
| Email             |                                   |   |                          |  |
| Previous Y        | outh in Government Experien       | ce (list years and position):   |                          |  |
| Explain ho        | w your leadership style, exper    | rience, commitment, time, and ideas   | for and about Youth in   |  |
| Governme          | nt qualify you for this positior  | n. Include any experience you have in   | writing and with a       |  |
| newsletter        | or other publication. Attach a    | n additional sheet with your answer   | s as needed.             |  |
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| If appoint        | ad Drace Editor Lwill carry out a | murasnonsibilities as in the VC manual  | and Pill Pook Lwill make |  |
|                   | _                                 | ny responsibilities as in the YG manual<br>Summit at Horseshoe June 14-20, 2026 |                          |  |
| ·                 |                                   | Date:   |                          |  |
| Аррисанс          | 5 Signature                       | Date.   |                          |  |
| I support th      | nis application and understand    | the responsibilities expected of a Cabin  | et member.               |  |
| Parent's Si       | gnature:                          | Date:   |                          |  |
|                   |                                   | Date:   |                          |  |

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