

State Constitutional Convention

The Constitutional Convention is a demanding program where participants write an entire State Constitution from scratch in only three days. Working within the framework of rights reserved to the states in the U.S. Constitution, our Convention members will argue over the shape of the California government they wish to create.

After a day and a half together at Bob II, learning their roles and getting to know each other, delegates will elect a Presiding Speaker, Speaker Pro-Tempore and Directors that oversee specific areas of the Constitution. Ideal candidates for Leadership should be driven and hard working.

Convention Members hit the ground running in Sacramento. Putting together an entire Constitution in three days is a monumental task that requires focus and direction. Don't expect a lot of free time and don't expect to get a lot of sleep.

The ideal member is a high school Senior or returning ML/C Junior, a hard worker, a facilitator who brings people together, is likely not shy (or no longer wishes to be) and sees Arguing as a type of sport. They should expect to have many public speaking opportunities, both prepared and impromptu, and to participate in discussions on a wide range of issues. To do this, members can expect to spend large amounts of time in one-on-one discussions, small and large group discussions, writing sessions and lively parliamentary style debates.