



## **READ THIS PAGE BEFORE COMPLETING YOUR FORM**

First of all, congratulations on taking the courageous first step to running for office! If you're reading this form, it means you have completed all of the initial steps to successfully run for office.

One of the fun parts of running for office includes campaigning. Candidates have the opportunity to spend money on trinkets to give their peers to help with name recognition and remembrance. Please remember to keep the following things in mind as you make your expenditures:

1. All candidates are allotted \$250 for their primary campaign. Finalist candidates for all offices whose elections span two conferences (EXCEPT Forum Lt. Governor and Forum Speaker) are allotted an additional \$150 for their second conference election, for a total of \$400.
2. All candidates are required to report their expenditures on the attached financial disclosure form.
3. Candidates may receive any portion of their \$250 allotment in donated goods. ***Values of all donated goods MUST be reported on the financial disclosure form. If exact values are not known, approximate values should be noted.***
4. Candidates are responsible for ensuring that their materials are Y-appropriate in content and format. Y-appropriate means taking the YMCA core values into account and using discretion in slogans, signage, and giveaways.
5. Candidates should refer to the list below as they select their giveaways. Candidates distributing items listed on the **NOT ACCEPTABLE** list may be disqualified, at the discretion of the Secretary of State's office.

<b>LIST OF ACCEPTABLE ITEMS</b>	
<b><u>Acceptable</u></b>	<b><u>Not Acceptable</u></b>
Tylek wristbands ( <i>must be placed directly on recipients</i> )	Sticky-backed (adhesive) promotional items
Candy	Gum
Pens, pencils, chap stick	Confetti, small pieces of paper, balloons
Buttons	Name badge inserts
<i>Creativity in giveaways is welcomed and encouraged. If you have questions about specific items you plan to distribute, please contact <a href="mailto:elections@calymca.org">elections@calymca.org</a> BEFORE making your purchase.</i>	

**Please note:** All candidates are responsible for ensuring that their promotional items do not create litter at the conference facilities. Any candidate whose items are cited as litter issues may be disqualified, at the discretion of the Secretary of State's office.