

Program Area Overview

Program Areas	Descriptions	Elected Positions (*Underlined Positions require experience)	Appointed Positions (*Underlined Positions require experience)
All Freshman			
Forum	Join committees based on topics of interest and create legislation. Every delegate participates in the legislature and fulfills a role of their choice	Forum Lt. Governor, Forum Speaker of the Assembly, Chief Clerk, Secretary, Sergeant at Arms	Committee Chair
The Legislature			
Senate	Debate bills written and submitted by each delegation. These bills originate in committees, and if passed, they are debated in the Houses (Senate and Assembly Chambers). Bills that are passed through both houses are eligible for the signature of the Youth Governor	<u>Lieutenant Governor</u> (Juniors/Seniors with experience in the Legislature), <u>President Pro-Tempore</u> , Secretary of the Senate, Sergeant at Arms	<u>Committee Chair</u> (MLC or Spring Conference experience)
Assembly		<u>Speaker of the Assembly</u> (Juniors/Seniors with experience in the Legislature), <u>Speaker Pro-Tempore</u> , Chief Clerk of the Assembly, Sergeant at Arms	
Other Legislative Programs			
Lobbyists	Play two roles in the Legislative Process: (1) lobby for or against bills in Senate/ Assembly Committees, and (2) write initiatives, gather signatures and try to get them passed	None	PAC Chair, <u>Governor's Lobbyist</u> (Lobbyist experience required/Seniors only)
National Issues Commission (NIC)	Write a proposal on an issue of national importance. Each delegate debates and tries to pass their own proposal through three preliminary rounds so that they can debate in General Assembly(GA) to get their proposal voted on by the entire NIC	<u>NIC Presiding Commissioner</u> (NIC experience required), NIC Administrative Clerk, <u>NIC Adversary General</u>	<u>Commission Chair</u> (MLC or Spring Conference experience), NIC Adversary Corps
International Affairs Commission	Similar to the NIC, but delegates will work in small teams to learn about and then develop innovative solutions to international issues.		
Court Program			
Trial Court	Assigned the role of Prosecutor or Defense Attorney and given a case to prepare and argue in trial. Jury Trial is an advanced version of Trial Court where delegates argue a case in front of a jury of their peers	<u>District Attorney</u> (Requires previous Court experience)	All Jury Trial positions are appointed
Jury Trial			
Appellate Court	Assigned the role of Justice or Attorney in an appeals case where the Appellant argues to overturn the decision of the lower court and the Respondent argues to uphold the decision to a panel of Justices. Supreme Court and Judicial Review are advanced versions of Appellate Court that focus on Constitutional issues	<u>Chief Justice</u> , Attorney General, <u>Presiding Justice of Judicial Review</u> (All require previous Court experience)	<u>Appellate Court Officers</u> (requires previous Appellate Court experience), All Supreme Court positions are appointed, Judicial Review Justices are appointed
Supreme Court			
Judicial Review			

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Support Staff			
Print Media	Produce the Y&G Daily Voice, Sunday Magazine and Online Voice	None	<u>Publisher, Editors-in-chief, State Historian, Art Director</u> (all require Press Corps experience), Business and Production Managers, News, Entertainment, Opinions and Features Editors
Broadcast Media	Produce three television shows in Sacramento		All positions are appointed, includes: Producer, Chief Engineer, Reporter, Anchor and Tech Crew
Page Program	Work as program area support and facilitators		Chief Page, State Legislative Counsel, Executive Assistants
Political Parties	Work as staff for one of the four Y&G Political Parties, which focus on getting candidates elected to office		<u>Poltical Party Chair</u>
Smaller Program Areas			
Board of Education	Work in small groups to write a proposal that addresses a current issue in education. After a public hearing, the Board ranks and funds proposals within a fixed budget	State Superintendent of Public Instruction	Deputy State Superintendent of Public Instruction
State Constitutional Convention	Work to write a State Constitution from scratch. Each delegate writes and debates proposals, and if passed, they are added to the Y&G Constitution	Presiding Speaker of the Constitutional Convention (Seniors), Pro-Tempore of the Constitutional Convention, Bucket Chairs	None
Assistant Legislative Analysts	Responsible for developing and presenting an impartial fiscal and policy analysis of each bill that is debated in the Legislature	<u>State Legislative Analyst</u> (Asst. Leg. An. Experience required)	None
The Department of Finance	Compete to develop a State Budget that the Youth Governor will approve	<u>Director of the Dept of Finance</u> (Requires Budget Committee Chair Experience)	<u>Budget Committee Chairpersons</u> (MLC or Spring Conference experience)
The Polling Program	Through the polling process, measure and interpret people's opinions, interests and concerns. Gather information about candidates	Chief Polling Officer, Polling Team Captain	None
General Leadership Positions			
Chaplains	Provide support for all delegates. Inspire and set the tone at conferences through Invocations and Benedictions	None	All positions are appointed
Youth Governor	Among many duties, appoints Governor's Cabinet and reviews legislation to sign or veto	<u>Elected previous year</u> (Juniors only)	<u>Governor's Cabinet</u>
Secretary of State	Among many duties, keeps track of the legislative debate process and oversees elections	<u>Elected previous year</u> (Juniors only)	<u>Undersecretary of State</u>