

# STUDENT REPRESENTATIVE YCCD BOARD OF TRUSTEES



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The Student Trustee represents both Columbia College and Modesto Junior College Students. It is a respected and honorable student leadership position. Student trustees have a unique responsibility to balance the many demands and expectations during their time as board members. They make valuable and consistent contributions to the Board as they carry forward the voice of the students, providing their perspective to ensure the students of the future will be well served. The Student Trustee shall be entitled to all privileges and rights provided elected members of the Board, with the following exceptions:

- A. During all meetings (except closed sessions), the student member has the right to participate in discussion, ask questions, and be seated with the Board. As an official member of the Board, the student member is entitled to receive materials furnished to regular board members with the exception of materials related to closed sessions.
- B. The student member of the Board shall receive up to \$463.05 per month. The Student Trustee will be required to attend a minimum of four meetings per month, including the Regular Board Meeting, and three others as agreed upon in consultation with the Chancellor. In addition, the Student Trustee will be entitled to any mileage allowance necessary to attend Board meetings to the same extent as publicly elected trustees.
- C. The student member of the Board does not make and second motions. The student member will be entitled to an advisory vote, although the vote shall not be included in determining the vote required to carry any measure before the Board. If a student member wishes to cast an advisory vote, it shall be taken prior to the Board's vote.

## **Criteria for the Student Trustee:**

- A. Be enrolled in at least five (5) units during the semester or quarter of application and during each semester or quarter of service.
- B. Be in good academic standing (not on probation) and have earned a cumulative grade point average of 2.0 or more in at least twelve (12) units completed at either Columbia College or Modesto Junior College prior to May 15 of the year of service on the Board. In the absence of an established GPA based on prior academic work, the most recent mid-term GPA or average of grades to date will be acceptable.

## **Responsibilities of the Student Trustee:**

- A. The student trustee is responsible for expressing the will of the student body to the YCCD Board of Trustees as well as soliciting feedback from students and connecting them to the decisions made by the Board. To facilitate this communication and understanding, a successful student trustee will:
  - 1. Attend and participate in monthly YCCD Board meetings. In accordance with Board Policy 2310, Board meetings are generally held at 5:30 p.m. on the second Wednesday of each month with four meetings, held at the Columbia Campus.
  - 2. Regularly attend ASMJC and ASCC Senate and ICC meetings.

- B. Serve as the student representative to District Council. District Council meetings are generally held on the fourth Wednesday from 3:00-5:00 p.m.
- C. Serve as the student representative to the District Policies and Procedures Committee. Meetings are generally held on the third Wednesday from 1:30-3:30 p.m.
- D. Attend a Student Trustee Orientation, special trustee trainings, student sessions, and represent student at various YCCD events and activities.

**Application Timeline 2022-2023 Academic Year:**

- January 13: Student Trustee Application period opens
- February 24: Application period ends, applications should be submitted by 4:00 p.m.
- March 6-10: Mandatory candidate information meeting (must attend at least one to be eligible)
  - March 7<sup>th</sup> at 10am – Student Center (CC Ponderosa Building)
  - March 10<sup>th</sup> at 12pm – Student Center
- March 7: Eligibility confirmed and candidate campaign period opens
- April 3: Elections held at MJC West Campus and Columbia College
- April 4: Elections held at MJC East Campus and Columbia College
- April 5: Election results announced
- June 14: Swearing in of YCCD Student Trustee at the YCCD Board of Trustees Meeting (term of office is May 15, 2023 to May 14, 2024)

***Applications must be submitted by 4:00 p.m. on February 24 to  
Courtney Sutton, [suttonc@yosemite.edu](mailto:suttonc@yosemite.edu)***

**Additional Resources for the Student Trustee:**

- YCCD Board of Trustees: <https://www.yosemite.edu/trustees/>
- YCCD Board Policy 2105 Election of Student Member: [https://www.yosemite.edu/trustees/board\\_policy/2105%20Election%20of%20Student%20Member.pdf](https://www.yosemite.edu/trustees/board_policy/2105%20Election%20of%20Student%20Member.pdf)
- YCCD Board Policy 2015 Student Member: [https://www.yosemite.edu/trustees/board\\_policy/2015%20Student%20Member.pdf](https://www.yosemite.edu/trustees/board_policy/2015%20Student%20Member.pdf)
- YCCD Board Policy 2725 Board Member Compensation: [https://www.yosemite.edu/trustees/board\\_policy/2725%20Board%20Member%20Compensation.pdf](https://www.yosemite.edu/trustees/board_policy/2725%20Board%20Member%20Compensation.pdf)
- Associated Students of Columbia College: [http://www.gocolumbia.edu/student\\_life/leadership.php](http://www.gocolumbia.edu/student_life/leadership.php)
- Associated Students of Modesto Junior College: <http://www.mjc.edu/student-services/sdncl/about.php>
- Community College League of California (CCLC) Student Trustee Resources (scroll to last set of bullet points “Student Trustees”): <https://www.ccleague.org/resources/publications>

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# STUDENT TRUSTEE Application

*(Please type or print)*

NAME \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_

CITY \_\_\_\_\_ STATE \_\_\_\_\_ ZIPCODE \_\_\_\_\_

DAY PHONE # \_\_\_\_\_ EVENING PHONE # \_\_\_\_\_

EMAIL ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_

CHECK ONE:     New Student     Continuing Student     Returning Student

I desire the position of Student Trustee to the Board of Trustees for the following reason:

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I understand the role of the Board of Trustee:

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What previous student leadership experience do you have?

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Current Student Senate Position, if any: \_\_\_\_\_

Academic goals and major: \_\_\_\_\_

Personal Interests/Community Activities:

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Have you ever been convicted of a felony?     Yes     No    If YES, please identify the date and nature of the offense. \_\_\_\_\_

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Units currently enrolled \_\_\_\_\_ Total units completed \_\_\_\_\_ Total GPA \_\_\_\_\_

Reviewed by: \_\_\_\_\_ Interview date: \_\_\_\_\_

Accepted: \_\_\_\_\_ Yes                      \_\_\_\_\_ No