

New York State YMCA Youth & Government 2017 - 2018 OFFICER NOMINATION

I declare my candidacy for the position of:

Head Lobbyist

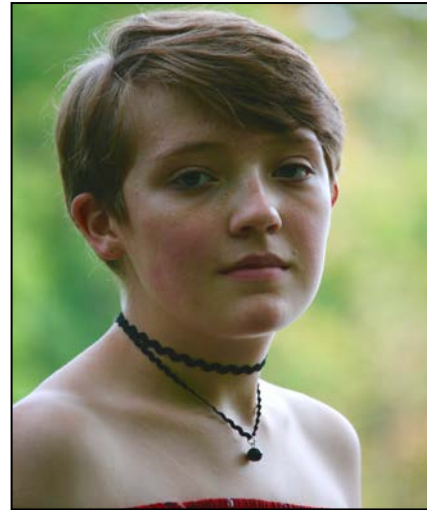
Name: Hannah Warrender

Year in school: 11th

Number of years in Y&G: 2

Previous Youth and Government experience and/or other qualifications:

- Head Lobbyist for District Two
- Two Years in the Lobbying Branch
- Nominated for Best Lobbyist in Assembly Liberty
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- Lawyer in Mock Trial (Regional Semi-Finalists, Albany County Winner)
- Member of Debate Class
- Self-Published Author
- Stories and Poems Published in Four Magazines
- Volunteer at the Schuyler Mansion



If you were faced with a bill topic that goes against your personal standpoint, how would you effectively handle the matter?

As a lobbyist, it is our right to stand for a con statement when we disagree with bill's intentions. However, as a leader, it is my responsibility to respect and understand the perspective of the bill's authors. I would give my con statement in a manner that is clear and respectful. Afterwards, I would attempt to find and speak to the bill sponsors to hear more about their position, and to congratulate them if their bill passes. It's my firm belief that people should try to better understand each other, as understanding leads to respect, and respect should define our generation.

Define servant leadership and describe how you plan to incorporate this if elected into office:

Servant leadership is to understand that leaders are not meant to be above every one else. Rather, we are supposed to be supporting them, helping people to reach their goals now that we have reached one of ours. I believe that leaders are called to help others get to their goals, and to go above and beyond to achieve this, by humbling themselves. I have been very blessed to serve this past year as the Chair of Lobbying for District Two. In that position, one of my first questions to the lobbyists I served was to ask them what their goals were. If I am elected Head Lobbyist, I will incorporate servant leadership by giving my time, my thought, and my work to the lobbyists, and to YAG as a whole. I will work individually with the various district chairs, and let everyone in the branch know that I am available to them at any time. By working together with all of New York State's lobbyists, I will help them to be prepared for conference, and for their futures. That is why I am here to humbly ask for your votes. I am excited to see what I can do for Youth and Government, after all that it's done for me!