

CALL TO CAUCUS FOR THE REORGANIZATION OF THE ARLINGTON YOUNG DEMOCRATS FOR THE 2025-2026 EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

1. Call to Caucus:

- a. Pursuant to the Constitution of the Arlington Young Democrats (As Revised, 2025), the Executive Committee hereby calls for an assembled caucus of the Arlington Young Democrats Membership to be held on **Wednesday November 19, 2025 from 6:30 - 8:00 PM at Arlington County Central Library** for the purpose of electing the **2025-2026 Executive Committee Leadership** and any other purposes deemed necessary by the President of the Arlington Young Democrats.

2. Positions for Election

- a. The following positions will be open for nomination and elections:
 - i. President
 - ii. Vice President
 - iii. Secretary
 - iv. Treasurer
 - v. Membership & Diversity Director
 - vi. Programming Director (2)¹
 1. Social Events
 2. Service & Fundraising
 - vii. Political Director
 - viii. Communications Director

3. Candidate Eligibility:

- a. Those who seek candidacy for election to the Arlington Young Democrats Executive Committee shall meet the following requirements to be eligible to stand for election:
 - i. Must be between the ages of 13-35
 1. A candidate who will age out (reach 36 years old) during their term may still run for and serve the full term, provided they are eligible to be a member for at least six months of the term.
 - ii. Must be a dues-paying member of the Arlington Young Democrats
 - iii. Must primarily reside in Arlington County, Virginia, and be a registered voter as well.
 - iv. Must declare themselves to be a Democrat and that they will uphold the ideals of the Democratic Party.

¹ If in the event only one candidate has filed for Programming Director, the individual elected will be expected to fulfill both of the positions unless a special election is hereby called by the incoming Executive Committee

4. Candidate Filing

- a. Those who seek to stand for election for the positions listed in Rule 2 of the Call shall submit a form, as approved by the Executive Committee, available on the chapter's website by October 19, 2025 at 11:59 PM EST. The form shall be available September 19, 2025 at 7 PM.
- b. Only those who have submitted a completed form by the deadline shall be considered for election to the Arlington Young Democrats Executive Committee.
- c. In the event that no candidates for a position has filed by the deadline, the position shall be open for nominations from the floor. Floor candidate will still need to fill out the filing and meet the candidate eligibility requirements listed in Rule 3.

5. Candidate Expectations

- a. Candidates are expected to behave in a professional and courteous manner
- b. Candidates must not engage in personal attacks against any candidate
- c. Candidates must not promote unverifiable allegations of any candidates
- d. Candidates must not use any Arlington Young Democrats logo in campaign materials.

6. Candidate Speeches

- a. Candidates will have three (3) minutes each to make speeches for their candidacy
- b. Candidates may allot any of their time to nomination speeches.

7. Eligibility to Vote

- a. Those who seek to vote in the caucus shall meet the following requirements:
 - i. Be between the ages of 13-35
 - ii. Be a Voting Member of the Arlington Young Democrats²
 - iii. Be up to date on dues
- b. Requirements listed above must be completed by Wednesday, November 5, 2025 at 11:59 PM EST.

8. Method of Elections

- a. Offices that only have one (1) candidate will be placed on a confirmation ballot to be voted on together.
- b. Offices that have more than two (2) candidates will use First Past the Post voting and placed on ballots for each office.
- c. Offices that have more than three (3) candidates will use Instant Run Off Voting and placed on ballots for each office.

9. Order of the Caucus

- a. Business of the Caucus shall occur in the following order
 - i. Call to Order
 - ii. Caucus Rules Overview
 - iii. Uncontested Candidate Confirmation
 - iv. Floor Nominations (If Necessary)

² Dues must be paid via <https://secure.actblue.com/donate/aydmembership-dues>

- v. Elections of Contested Officers
 - 1. President
 - 2. Vice President
 - 3. Secretary
 - 4. Treasurer
 - 5. Membership & Diversity Director
 - 6. Programming Director(s) (2)
 - a. Social Events
 - b. Service & Fundraising
 - 7. Communications Director
- vi. Additional Matters for Consideration (If Needed)
- vii. Adjournment

Adopted on September 8, 2025