

# **YOUTH GOVERNOR**

## **Youth Governor's Job**

- Host the 3 Caucus sessions, being the vote counters
- Be the face of the Youth in Government Program in Maine
- Attend the National Youth Governor's Conference in June in Washington DC
- Draft a package of bills (8 to 10) bills that will be the focus of Governor's work
- Give opening address on Friday welcoming participants and setting the tone for the weekend.
- Work with participants who want bills passed on vetoed and make final decision on bills.
- Interview candidates for Youth Governor and introduce them on Saturday session

## **Getting Elected Youth Governor**

### 2 Step Process

#### **Step 1**

Be elected as a Candidate for Youth Governor, we will elect 1 at each of the 3 caucuses.

1. You must be nominated by someone in your delegation
2. Make a speech about your qualifications for the office 1-2 minutes
3. Get a majority of the votes cast from all those delegations attending that caucus

Once you are a Candidate you must within 1 week of caucus session:

[Complete Candidate Info Sheet](#) and send to the Program Director

Send a recent photo to the Program Director

#### **Step 2**

Run to be elected at the Augusta weekend.

Campaign begins on Saturday morning, no campaign or flyers prior to Saturday AM

Candidates all take part in several events (Campaign regulations will be sent to candidate)

- ✓ Be interviewed by Program Media
- ✓ Town Hall Debate at lunch on Saturday
- ✓ Be interviewed by Youth Governor
- ✓ Make Campaign Speech at Saturday night Joint Session

On Sunday morning all participants will vote the candidate receiving a majority of the votes will become the Youth Governor.