

DELEGATE CODE OF CONDUCT CONTRACT

I understand and agree to abide by the following code of conduct as a condition to participation in Massachusetts YMCA Youth & Government. My signature and the signature of my parent or guardian are required and indicate our agreement with the code of conduct contract.

- I am responsible for complying with all of the provisions in this contract.
- Violations of this contract can result in expulsion from the program and/or loss of office.
- If I violate the contract at a Youth & Government event, I will be required to call my parents/guardians who agree to pick me up within two hours.
- I understand that I am responsible for my own behavior while respecting the rights of all program participants. My participation in Youth & Government will be guided by the YMCA core values: honesty, caring, respect and responsibility.
- I will respect and follow the instructions of the adult advisors at Youth & Government events.
- I will be in my assigned location at the appropriate time and understand that failure to do so will result in my delegation's loss of Premier Delegation.
- I will be appropriately attired according to the Youth & Government Dress Code during all Massachusetts YMCA Youth & Government functions.
- I will not bring or consume any alcohol, drugs or tobacco at any Youth & Government event, including in my hotel room.
- I will remain in my hotel room from curfew until 7:00 AM.
- During the model government conference, I will not permit anyone other than my assigned roommates to be in my room from curfew until 7:00 AM. I will not enter the rooms of members of the opposite sex at any time.
- I will not use my personal car during the Model Legislative Conference.
- I will prominently display the name tag issued to me for pre-leg conferences, or my Youth & Government badge, the official credential for access to the model government conference.
- I understand that all phone calls from the hotel must be made from pay phones or cell phones.
- I understand that visitors who are not part of the program are not permitted at the hotel.
- I agree to treat the hotel, the State House and all other facilities made available to Youth & Government with the greatest of respect.
- I will dispose of trash and clean up my area after meals at Youth & Government functions.
- I will maintain a decent standard of cleanliness in my hotel room.
- I understand that I am not permitted to open desks, use microphones or use voting machines in the House or Senate chambers.
- I understand that backpacks, coats, and hats are not permitted inside the chambers of the State House.
- I understand that Massachusetts YMCA Youth & Government, having provided appropriate security, is not responsible for lost or stolen articles.

I have read, understand and will abide by the Code of Conduct Contract.

Delegate Signature: _____ **Date:** _____

Advisor Signature: _____ **Date:** _____

I have read and understand this contract, and will respect the decisions of the YMCA Youth & Government Management Team in judging my teen's behavior. I agree to hold the YMCA harmless, and give my permission for my teen's photo or video image to be used by the media and in YMCA materials.

Parent/Guardian Signature: _____ **Date:** _____