



**2010 YOUTH CONFERENCE ON  
NATIONAL AFFAIRS  
Washington State Candidate Application**

**VITAL DATA FORM**

I am involved in:

- Youth Legislature
- Mock Trial

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Team/Delegation \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Age: \_\_\_\_\_ Birthday: \_\_\_\_\_ Current Grade: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent/  
Guardian(s): \_\_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_ (if different than above)

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone:(\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Name of Delegation/Team Advisor: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Please check those that apply:

- Yes, I am interested in fundraising opportunities
- Yes, I would like my contact information released to other CONA delegates

My T-shirt size is:

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| <input type="checkbox"/> X-Small | <input type="checkbox"/> X-Large  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Small   | <input type="checkbox"/> XX-Large |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Medium  |                                   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Large   |                                   |

**Please attach the following items to your participant application:**

**ADDITIONAL CANDIDATE INFORMATION**

Please describe the following items, using up to five (5) typed 8 1/2" x 11".

1. Your participation in YMCA Youth & Government activities, including leadership positions held and awards received.
2. Your future goals within the Youth & Government program.
3. Your participation in school activities, volunteer or paid work in community organizations, and other activities including any leadership positions.
4. What you hope to accomplish during your experience at the YMCA Youth Conference on National Affairs.
5. The strengths and weaknesses you will bring to the Washington Delegation.
6. Your understanding of “servant leadership” and how it has affected you in leadership roles you have undertaken.
7. The importance of balancing spirit, mind, and body and how you work to develop and balance these in yourself.
8. Any other thoughts or circumstances you wish to share with the review committee in connection with your application.

## **CANDIDATE PROPOSAL**

Included on the registration disk you will find a proposal template. Please fill in this template with a proposal that you feel is of particular importance to the nation or world and include it with your application materials.

### **Proposals should include:**

Please submit proposals in the below format. Do not include numbering or headers/footers. Proposals cannot be more than two typed pages.

#### **AUTHOR:**

Name

Washington Delegation

#### **TITLE PURPOSE:**

Short (one line) description of what your proposal seeks to accomplish.

#### **Major Areas to be Affected:**

Include all government agencies, systems, groups of citizens and other governments that will be affected by your proposal in either a positive or negative way.

#### **Justification:**

A brief background on the issue including the importance of the issue to people's lives. Why this issue is important and relevant for consideration.

#### **Proposal for Action:**

Specific changes you are proposing to in regard to this issue.

#### **Result to be Expected:**

What are the foreseeable long and short term results of your proposed change.

## **Note on Banned Topics**

Included in these materials is a list of proposal topics debated in General Assembly and Plenary Sessions last year. These items will likely be included on the banned topics list for next year's conference.

The list of banned topics for this year will be released in the spring and may include additional topics. If your proposal is based on one of these banned topics you will be asked to write a new proposal before the registration deadline.

**Remember that the best way to steer clear of the banned topics is to be creative!**



# Sample Proposal

## YMCA Conference on National Affairs



1       **PROPOSAL NO:**

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3       **AUTHOR:**

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5       **TITLE PURPOSE:** To Repeal the National Voter Registration Act

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8       **Major Areas to be Affected:** Each sovereign state of the United States of America, and  
9       their Department of Motor Vehicles, Secretary of State's office, taxpaying citizens  
10       and the Federal Election Committee.

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12       **Justification:** The National Voter Registration Act or Motor Voter Bill not only has lead  
13       to fraud and no increase in voter turn out, but has required States to implement a costly  
14       mandate without federal funding. The 10<sup>th</sup> Amendment clearly states; "The Powers not  
15       delegated to the United States by the Constitution, nor prohibited by it to the States, are  
16       reserved to the States." This Act must be repealed because above all it is an abridgment  
17       of the sovereign rights of our States. This Act requires states to comply with this bill by  
18       federal law, but the federal government refuses to pay for this absolutely necessary  
19       mandate. According to the CBO, the projected cost of the Voter Registration Act before  
20       its passage would not reach over \$30 million. However, California, alone, in its first year,  
21       spent over \$21 million in expense for the new law. Additionally, this act has proven to be  
22       worthless because it has not even accomplished its intended action; to increase voter  
23       turn out. After its passage in 1996 eligible voter turnout was a mere 49%, and in North  
24       Dakota, where voters weren't required to register originally, turnout was still only 56%.  
25       Lastly, the NVRA has been an open invitation to voter fraud in many states, because you  
26       don't have to prove citizenship in order to get a license, and checks on residencies are  
27       notoriously lax.

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29       **Proposal for Action:** The Federal Government, by the powers of Congress, will repeal  
30       the National Voter Registration Act.

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32       **Result to be Expected:** With the passage of this proposal a first step towards ending all  
33       unfunded mandates made by the federal governments. Additionally, millions of dollars  
34       will be made available in each state, allowing that state with their own discretion to  
35       determine other plans of successfully increasing voter turn out. The additional fraud  
36       that was formed with the passage of the act will dissipate.

## Possible Banned Topics for 2010

The following list of topics includes those debated in General Assembly and Plenary Session during the last year's conference. There is a good chance that these will end up on the banned topics list for next year. This is not a comprehensive list. The official banned topics list will be published in January. If your proposal topic is on the official list you will be required to write a new proposal.

Proposal #	Topic
57	Replacing marriage w/civil union
313	Mandated sex education curriculum in high school
86	Repealing the Taiwan Relations Act
305	Social Security Reform: Age to Income
241	Free condom distribution in high schools
195	Eliminating tax exempt status for religious organizations
245	Removing national drinking age (21)
9	Creation of a Joint Review Committee for Presidential Executive Orders
149	Permitting oil research in ANWR
298	Replace federal and state tax structure with the Fair Tax
143	Abolish standardized testing in public schools
56	Recognition & apology for genocide of Native Americans in the United States
125	End employee discrimination based on desire to unionize
446	Mandatory genetic scanning of all newborns
114	Revoke Hamas' designation as a Terrorist Organization
119	Require proficiency in English for residency
452	Eliminate the FCC's power to punish broadcasting corporations for content issues
444	Repealing the PATRIOT Act
462	Reopening Guantanamo Bay
111	Repeal the National Organ Transplant Act of 1984
384	Establish a Governor's Panel of Governmental Involvement in Private Affairs
393	Allow armed forces of the US to engage in strikes against nuclear proliferation sites in Iran
137	Decriminalize the sending & receiving of sexually explicit picture messages between minors
477	Repealing the protection provided by the Double Jeopardy clause in the 5 <sup>th</sup> Amendment
428	Four Phase Plan for Pakistan
364	Formally withdrawing from the Kyoto Protocol
129	Sell Ad space on all One Dollar Bills in circulation
128	Eliminate age of consent laws in all states
423	Comprehensive sex education
323	Modifying FDA blood donation policy regarding gay men
134	Ban minors at treatment facilities that deal with "overcoming homosexuality"
156	Farm Animal Welfare Act
135	Eliminate all minimum wage laws
8	Mandatory voting
431	Chemically castrate violent sex offenders