



The Student Government Assembly is responsible for the representation of, and the commitment to the SRJC student body. SGA elections range from prominent positions such as Student Body President and Student Trustee, to the VPs that sit on deciding committees in SRJC. Your elected officials are in office to advocate for the best interest of the students and the community at large. Once every year, SRJC holds elections to cycle in new student leadership to the Santa Rosa, Petaluma and SRJC communities. These elections will determine the future of SRJC and your direct Santa Rosa and Petaluma social infrastructure and distribution of resources. Every candidate is given an equal opportunity to advocate for their platform and their vision for the future of SRJC. All SGA candidates have written statements, representative of their values they bring to SRJC, as well as images of their likeness to show the faces of our future leaders.



2021 S.G.A. ELECTION DIRECTORY

LEARN ABOUT YOUR STUDENT LEADERS!

Student Government Assembly elections will be held April 12-16

Vote in student portal for the candidates of your choice

Learn more at <https://studentlife.santarosa.edu/student-elections>

STUDENT BODY PRESIDENT: PAGE 2

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STUDENT TRUSTEE: PAGE 3

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Independent of Student Government Assembly



Holds one advisory vote on the Board of Trustees

COMMITTEE MEMBERS (VPS): PAGES 4-12

The VPs of SRJC's SGA sit as chairs upon SRJC committees that allocate direction and distribution of capital and SRJC resources. VPs advocate for students and lay out their agenda for the next year at SRJC.



SGA VPs Influence and propose financial decisions on behalf of the student body.



SGA VPs represent SRJC to the greater community and California community colleges.

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*Chair of the Student Government
Assembly (SGA)*

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DELASHAY CARMONA BENSON



I think student voices are second to none in any cause. As your President, I promise to listen to your concerns as students. My goal is to create the best experience at all SRJC Campuses. I vow to do everything in my power to be the strong voice of the students. I've had the honor to serve on your Student Government Assembly as your President of the Student Body this year. I served on many committees this year, as I have in the past. I'm also I'm also a very active club member of The Black Student Union, AIDE, and 2nd Chance. I enjoy getting to know more students every day, organizing events, and most of all, working hard to advocate for all of your interests. I have learned that being a leader is being certifiable, responsible, and hardworking. My number one goal is to make sure that every student is treated equally. Regardless of race, religion, sex, gender, disability, or economic status. I also want to instill a sense of SRJC pride in our community. The truth is that we have an AWESOME college, with AMAZING students, faculty, and staff; and I believe they all deserve recognition for their tremendous service. My substantial concern is that many of the students at SRJC are unaware of their surroundings, unaware of their rights, and unaware of important issues. I want to make sure that students are aware of the decisions being made that affect us all. If you're looking to elect the most passionate, dedicated, and proactive candidate, who can and will execute tangible change for YOU, vote for me for president. I need your support! Vote, Delashay Carmona-Benson.



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ANETRA MCCARTNEY



As an international student, I couldn't imagine or believe the amount of background work that goes into making a college run. Student Government has allowed me the privilege of networking, organizing, and making changes in my school. My previous position at the school was the Vice president of clubs on the Petaluma campus. When I started this position I wasn't fully trained or equipped with most of the skills but it has been the most engaging and humbling experience. I feel with my current experience I should be able to do the job of student trustee to the best of my abilities. I feel passionate about being involved and a part of positive changes and also being students' voice when they require it. This position will be new to me but I respect and plans to adhere to the responsibilities and policies that come with it. I plan to attend all of the meetings that and required of me and give accurate reports to the student government. Given the chance to occupy this position, I promise to be hardworking, fair, and all-around dedicated. I believe every student at this establishment has a voice and I look forward to hearing every single one of them.

- Thank you.



EXECUTIVE VICE PRESIDENT OF LEGISLATION

Chair of SGA Student Representatives Council

The EVP of Legislation serves as the representative of Santa Rosa Junior College at regional and statewide meetings of the Student Senate of California Community Colleges (SSCCC); informs students of statewide legislation and issues affecting students and student government; is responsible for the coordination of statewide efforts involving the association; and act as a liaison between the SGA and local advocacy initiatives. The EVP of Legislation recruits students to the College Wide Committee system and meets with students who sit on active College Wide Committees to provide mentorship and support.



ALLY LUBAS



My name is Ally Lubas and I am running for the Executive Vice President of Legislation position in the Student Government Assembly. I have always considered myself to be a leader and one to always initiate change as well. As the Vice President of Legislation, I will ensure that the changes that you want to see here at SRJC will be fulfilled. I am currently serving on the Student Government Assembly as the Vice President of Marketing for Petaluma and want to further advocate for the rights of students through the executive vice presidency. I am also the Student Senate Representative for California Community Colleges currently for Santa Rosa Junior College as I continue to fight for student rights at the state level. I want to ensure that every student here at SRJC has a voice, especially during these unprecedented times in which we feel that there is a lot out of our control and that we are unable to have the ability to cause changes. Despite this though I encourage each and every one of you to rise up and know that we can cause changes in school policy even with the current state of the pandemic. I plan to help each and every one of you implement the changes that you want to see happen here at SRJC as I will always stand by you and fight to see your success in ensuring changes. I also would like to emphasize the fact that I would also like to increase student involvement here on campus. I will ensure that student voices are amplified here at SRJC because now more than ever we need student voices to shine through. United as one, let us stand together to make the changes that we want to see possible.



COLETON CRISTIANI



As your Executive Vice President of Legislation, it is my hope to be a voice for all SRJC students and an advocate for effective change. In this difficult time of virtual learning, I think it's extremely important that SGA works to build a sense of community and provide students with the support they need to succeed. As the Associated Student Body Vice President of my alma mater, I worked to do just that, where I led a diverse team in a critical transition phase for our school and the

associated student body. Whereas my team and I effectively held weekly assembly meetings to address the needs of our student body, so too did we work with school administrators to cultivate an environment of transparency among the faculty and students -- something that I'd like to continue at SRJC. Further, having poured hundreds of volunteer hours into homelessness causes, you can be sure that I'll continue to lead on this issue as EVP.

As your Executive Vice President of Legislation, I see it as my responsibility to ensure that all students are aware of policies and initiatives that will have real implications for their day-to-day lives. That's why I will make it a priority to plan for the safe re-opening of our campus and in-person classes — while adhering to the strict guidelines imposed by state and local officials. I will begin the important work to make vaccination clinics accessible to all SRJC students who wish to receive the vaccine. Increasing protection for all members of our community will be central to my role as EVP, and it is my hope that we will be poised to rise above the pandemic year and all that was lost as we restore power within our school community.



JOSUE DE LEON



Hello, I am Josue De Leon and I am running for the Executive Vice President of Legislation. I am a political science major because I want to learn more about politics and the US government. My goal with this major is to work my way into the government in California. I have been at the JC since 2018, and I have felt that students are not as involved as they should be. My goal is to have all of the

SRJC students have their voices heard, not only here at the JC, but all around California ! During such a difficult time that we are all going through, it has made me realize how much more valuable students' voices are now more than before. Whether it is the students struggling at home mentally, financially or even physically. I think now is the moment for more of your voices to be heard in crucial decisions that need to be made not for the sake of SRJC, but for you as students. The students shape SRJC's culture, and all voices must be heard. So, I would like to take this opportunity for you and I to work on a system to where everyone has their voice heard equally ! ~ Thank you.



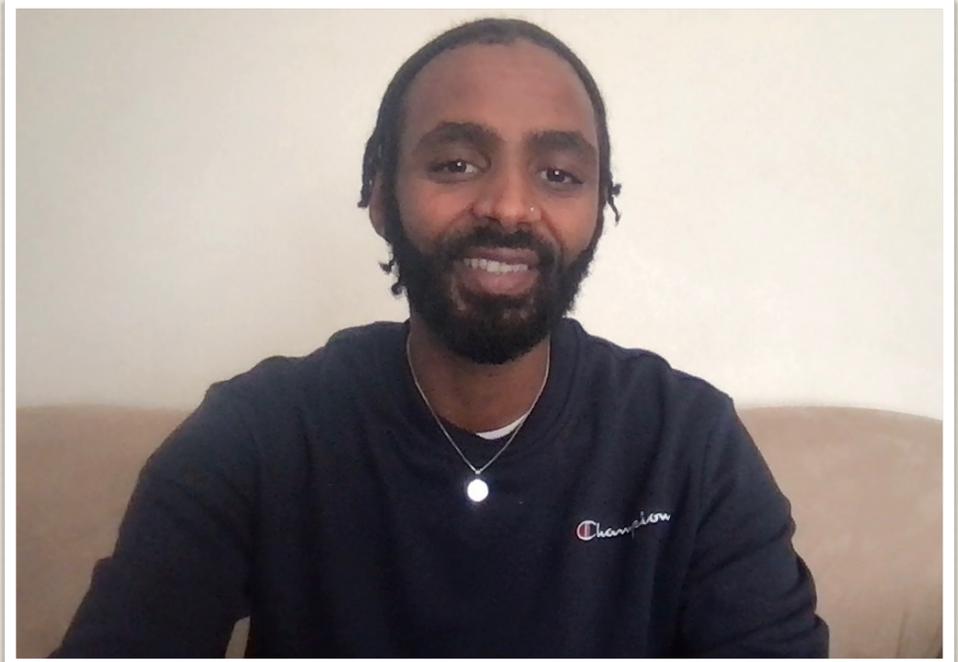
VICE PRESIDENT OF FINANCE

Chair of Finance and Benefits Committee

The Vice President of Finance coordinates the creation of the annual SGA budget; serves as clerk to the SGA and assumes the duties of the President during the absence of the president and EVP; attends college committees related to the college's budget to advise on behalf of students; attends meetings of the Board of Trustees on behalf of the Student Government Assembly; tracks and reports all expenditures of the Student Government Assembly; carries out the provisions of the Financial Code; and ensures that the Officers of the Student Government Assembly maintain clear channels of communication and work effectively toward their shared goals.



MOSES LEGESSE



Whether it is in the classroom setting or on the job, I strive to be at the forefront of whatever endeavor I embark upon. My intention is not to be the center of attention; I take the commitment as an opportunity for growth for both my peers and myself. My objective and the reason I am running for this office are to provide a voice and representation to the ones rendered voiceless.



VICE PRESIDENT OF CLUBS ~ SANTA ROSA

Chair of Inter-Club Council

Representative for Santa Rosa Clubs The VP of Clubs – Santa Rosa is responsible for facilitating meetings of the Inter-Club Council and preparing its agenda; the coordination and operation of clubs; carrying out the provisions of the ICC Constitution; acting as a liaison between clubs and the Student Government Assembly; organizing all records of club status to ensure continuity; and tracking the budget and expenditures with the ICC treasurer. The VP of Clubs is the bridge between clubs and student leadership, and promotes club involvement in all SGA activities.



JESSICA CAMBEROS



My name is Jessica Camberos, and this is my first year at Santa Rosa Junior College. I am running as Vice President of Clubs by the means to get involved on campus and build a stronger community. Despite our current situation, I have had an incredible year so far all thanks to the amount of help and support I have received from both peers and staff alike. Just as I have had a great experience, I would like to make sure other students do so as well. I believe clubs are important because they hold diverse groups of students who can take part in fun events, while at the same time expanding their interests and knowledge and building community. In my time as VP of Clubs, I plan to help students join clubs where they feel supported and safe. I also plan to make sure there is clear communication between clubs, and make sure each club is represented.

VICE PRESIDENT OF CLUBS ~ PETALUMA

Chair of Petaluma Council, Representative for Petaluma Clubs

The VP of Clubs (Petaluma) is responsible for the coordination and operation of clubs on the Petaluma campus; acts as a liaison between Petaluma clubs, SGA, and ICC; manages club packets, procedures, and applications for Petaluma Clubs; assists Petaluma clubs in the facilitation of campus-wide activities and events; ensures equal access to Petaluma Council funds for Petaluma Clubs; provides guidance for new Petaluma clubs' activation and the notification for impending deactivation to clubs. The VP of Clubs is the bridge between clubs and student leadership, and promotes club involvement in all SGA activities.



BRANDON J. REPP



My name is Brandon Repp and I'm running for Vice President of Clubs for the Petaluma campus. I am working towards a zoology major as someday I would like to become a zookeeper. I've held a variety of leadership positions here at Santa Rosa Junior College. Currently I am serving as the Vice President of Student Life for Petaluma and two years ago I was the representative for the Game Club for Petaluma Council meetings. Through these two positions I was able to have a voice in important matters occurring here on campus. I encouraged leadership among my peers here in the

Student Government Assembly and I want to continue this journey through the Vice Presidency of Clubs on the Petaluma campus. Goals that I would like to accomplish as the Vice President of Clubs is to encourage campus involvement here among the students at Santa Rosa Junior College. I will facilitate this goal by ensuring that clubs are actively participating on the Petaluma campus through making sure that all of their important activation paperwork is completed while also making sure that each and every club has an advisor to drive success within the club. I also am advocating for the return of in-person learning, we've discussed this in previous Student Government meetings and I want to ensure that students can have a safe return to campus soon. Virtual learning has been difficult on all the students and staff here at our college and therefore I want to make sure that their voices are exemplified especially now during these unprecedented times. I will help every student here at Santa Rosa Junior College find their place here. We all are bearcubs here!



VP OF STUDENT LIFE ~ SANTA ROSA

Chair of SGA Student Life Committee

The Vice President of Student Life is the lead event planning position for the Santa Rosa campus. The VP of Student Life sets the agenda for and facilitates the events of the Student Life Committee, ensuring that student life and activities are thriving on campus; carry out the provisions of the Student Life Committee Bylaws; authorize and sign all Student Life expenditures; and execute events and activities on campus.



PATRICK SUNKYEBE



My entire adult life has been devoted to serving and leading. I have expressed this in different walks of life. I have worked with both small and bigger organizations as an associate leader. I believe in teamwork and cooperation. The experience from these organizations has given me the desire to serve as the Vice President for Student Life, Santa Rosa Campus. I am hardworking, sincere, humble,

dedicated and above all, I believe in transparency and accountability. I have the qualities, skills, and experiences of leadership, organizing, planning, communication, and listening skills. It will be my topmost priority to ensure that student life and its activities are thriving on campus by planning events and activities which will be in the interest of all students.



VP OF STUDENT LIFE ~ PETALUMA

Vice Chair of Petaluma Council

The Vice President of Petaluma is the lead event planning position on the Petaluma Campus. The VP is responsible for representation of student issues and concerns of Petaluma Campus to all branches of the Student Government Assembly; coordinate student life activities on the Petaluma Campus with the Petaluma Council, serve on the Student Government Assembly Budget Committee to advocate for Petaluma resources; and work collaboratively with clubs activated by the Petaluma Council on their events and activities.



ELIZABETH COLE



This year will be different. Let's be different with it starting with student life. After being inside for over a year, I am ready for some fun activities. I hope you are as well! That's what I plan to bring to the Petaluma campus FUN!

Hello, my name is Elizabeth Cole I am a social justice major. If elected I planned to turn the Petaluma campus in to a hub just like Santa Rosa, with more diverse activities and events for everyone. From concerts to food

trucks. I promise to bring diversity, inclusiveness, and experiences to student life in Petaluma. My family has lived in Petaluma for over 50 years. My grandmother and my grandfather both have roles in the community. I plan to continue this by running for student body. I hope to have your vote. Thank you.



VP OF MARKETING ~ SANTA ROSA

Vice Chair of the Finance and Benefits Committee

The Vice President of Marketing administrates the CubCard Premium Student Benefits program and promotion for the Santa Rosa Campus, such that new students are aware of the program before class registration begins; coordinates the marketing for Student Government Assembly events and programs in Santa Rosa; coordinates communication regarding media and outreach to SRJC students; is responsible for recruiting new CubCard Premium membership in a timely fashion, ensuring that there is a stable membership base to fund each semester; and meets with the Student Life Accounts Specialist to review the financial standing of the benefits program.



ABREA TILLMAN



Synergy between students and community is my goal. My intention is to listen to the students needs, wants, and desires, and provide solutions. In addition, incorporate ways to highlight local business and ways to contribute to student life. A business can contribute to the success of student life by offering rewards through discounts, donations, and employment opportunities. I am determined to align partnerships that offer solutions to the students direct needs. In return students with Cub Card Premiums will be able to unlock a plethora of community resources. As we have witnessed the downfall of the local business and student enrollment to COVID-19, together we can help build each other backup and create a stronger Sonoma County. Originally from Houston Texas, I have lived in Santa Rosa for 10 years. As I attended classes for my first semester spring 2020, the culture of society endured a major shift. I am so grateful to attend classes led by critically conscious thinking Professors. Professors who challenge and encourage individual critical thought and relating it to current events. I chose to make the best of the chances allotted to me by Santa Rosa Junior College. The opportunity of leadership involved with Student Government affords me a responsibility to the students. A responsibility to maintain health and safety policies in compliance with state and federal standards. This is a priority as the Student Government creates events for students for social, fundraising, or educational purposes. Also a responsibility to minority groups that are under represented. It is my priority to create awareness of these marginalized groups and a safe space for these groups to celebrate their culture proudly. As the VP Marketing, I will create awareness for students to community resources. Outlets to reach students include social media, press releases, SRJC app, and media interviews.



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ANDRES JOJOA



My name is Andres Jojoa and I grew up in Colombia, near the Amazon rainforest. Since I was a child, my parents used to tell me about the different plants and animals that lived around my village. There were parrots and macaws flying and painting the sky. There were many colorful fruit trees where anyone could go to pick all the fruit they needed. The

mountains provided pure water where people liked to swim and fish. The flora and fauna had a sustainable home. But everything changed because of humans and unsustainable practices.

I grew up wanting to give back what was taken from nature, so I decided to look for ways to support the environment. When I was in High School, I participated in recycling projects, creating objects out of plastic bottles and cans. As head of the sustainability position, I plan to work directly with students to create a sustainable community at SRJC.

I will build strategies to help the environment and enhance sustainability practices, such as supporting education on recycling methods, improving energy consumption, providing strategies to improve transportation services, giving ideas to help the environment from home, and building edible gardens.

~ Thank you for standing up for a sustainable planet.



MAGGIE MILLARD



I have always been interested in environmental issues. I care deeply about plants, trees, and breathing clean air among other things related to the environment. If elected, I will do my best to ensure that we have an optimal environment at the JC, therefore making it a better place for all.

