

Oregon House of Representatives

Honorary Page Program 2019



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Sponsoring (State) Representative: _____

If you are not sure who your state representative is, visit the Oregon Legislature website to find out: <u>www.oregonlegislature.gov</u> (see "Find Your District and Legislators" on the main page)

REQUIRED:

Include with your application a separate written or typed statement addressing why you are interested in becoming an honorary page for the Oregon House of Representatives. Include in your statement what *two things* you would like *to learn* from your experience as an honorary page for the House.

The House Honorary Page Program operates during the legislative session from February to the first of June in the odd-numbered years and in February and March of even-numbered years. An honorary page serves for one day only and may not repeat as a page in the same session.

Page service is a unique honor with a rich history dating back to medieval times. Page programs are found today in most state legislatures though duties vary from state to state. Serving as a page, you will learn about the legislative process and get to see, firsthand, the House of Representatives in action as well as having the chance to become familiar with the Oregon State Capitol Building and its rich history.

Qualifications:

- Minimum age of 12 years (up to 17) and appropriate level of maturity to work independently
- Completed <u>application</u>; including a written or typed <u>statement of interest</u>.

Scheduling:

The Honorary Page Coordinator will send out a written confirmation of the date and time of your visit. The House schedules only a limited number of pages on any one day, meaning your visit date may be a few weeks away.

Dress Code:

We ask that students dress appropriately for the occasion. House Rule 6.01 states that "To maintain professionalism in the legislative process, members and employees should dress according to standards of contemporary business attire." Please be aware that when honorary pages assist in the House Chamber during a floor session they are in contact with elected officials and may be on television as part of the live and recorded coverage. Absolutely no shorts, jeans, or t-shirts. Comfortable dress shoes, however, are encouraged.

Hours:

A typical day for an honorary page is from 9:00 AM to 3:00 PM with an hour for lunch. Pages are on their own for lunch. There are restaurants close by the capitol as well as a café located in the basement. More details on hours, duties, and dress will be sent after your acceptance into the program.

I understand the above information and agree to allow my child to participate in the House of Representatives Honorary Page Program. I further understand that the students will not necessarily be supervised during the assigned lunch hour.

Parent/Guardian Signature:	Date:
Student Signature:	Date:

You may submit the *application* and *statement of interest* in any of these three ways:

Scan and E-mail to: brian.fenderson@oregonlegislature.gov

Mail to: Brian Fenderson, Honorary Page Coordinator, House of Representatives,

900 Court Street NE, Salem, Oregon 97301

Fax to: 503-986-1876, Attn: Brian Fenderson