



2025-2026

Elections Procedures & Candidate Forms

District Governor

This document contains the policies, procedures, and forms relating to elections of the District Board of Trustees. Complete this form online before printing. Where requested, information must be typed or it will not be accepted.

Please read and sign the Election Rules & Regulations before completing this form.

Scan and email all completed forms to:
Governance Chair – Rose Khosh
elections@floridakeyclub.org

If you would like to apply for an appointed position, you **MUST** submit **BOTH** forms.



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Campaign Rules for District Office Candidates Elected at DCON

1. An individual wishing to campaign for this office must submit the following forms to the District Administrator or their designee no later than **30 days prior to the Thursday, Opening Session, at DCON (3/25/25)**:
 - a. Service Agreement
 - b. Attendance, Travel, and Posting Authorization
 - c. Code of Conduct
 - d. Board Member Contact Information
2. All travel, whether related to campaigns, conferences, Zone Rallies, KCKC's or any other Key Club event must comply with the Key Club International's Policies and with the written approval of the District Administrator.
3. No candidate shall seek endorsement or votes from any club (other than the home club), division, or zone for the purpose of a campaign outside of approved campaign events. Candidates may contact individual Key Club members for the purpose of asking for campaign staff members.
4. Campaign Staff will be limited to a campaign manager and a nominator. The campaign manager and nominator may be the same person, and they will both join the candidate in caucus sessions.
5. The campaign staff and each candidate must be present at the "Candidates Meeting" prior to the opening session of the DCON. If a member of the campaign staff does not attend the meeting, they must be replaced.
6. Candidates may not spend any money or use any donated items for campaign purposes.
7. To be included in the Candidates' Book, a candidate must submit all candidate forms to the Elections Advisor and a campaign flyer to the Elections Chair 30 days prior to the Thursday opening session at DCON. Only Key Club members are allowed to participate in the election process, except for adults appointed by the District Administrator to supervise, oversee, or otherwise conduct the election.
8. Under no circumstances will a past, current or future International and/or District Board member be involved in any district campaign other than their own.
9. There will be no campaign advertising in the DCON App or on social media.
10. No candidate is permitted to perform in the competition portion of the Talent Show or Oratorical Contest at DCON.
11. Failure to comply with the above rules may render the candidate ineligible for office at the discretion of the Elections Violations Committee.



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Service Agreement for Governor

Complete this form online before printing. All information must be typed or it will not be accepted.

I, _____, do hereby declare myself willing and able to assume the duties and responsibilities of the office of District Governor of the Florida District of Key Club International for the upcoming Key Club Year as described below. I understand that these duties and responsibilities begin from the time of my election and that failure to carry out any of these duties may result in my removal from this position at the discretion of the District Administrator. Furthermore, I understand that non-attendance at a mandatory District function may be considered as my resignation from my position at the District Administrator's discretion.

1. Attend the required meetings or events and report as required:
 1. District Education and Leadership Conference, Daytona Beach, Florida, **April 24-27, 2025**
 2. Governors and Administrators Training Conference (GATC) Indianapolis, Indiana **May 1-4, 2025**
 3. District Leadership Training Conference, Rosen Centre, Orlando, Florida, **June 13-15, 2025**
 4. Key Club International Leadership Conference (LEADCON), **TBD Likely**
 5. Kiwanis District Convention, PGA National in West Palm Beach Florida **August 7-10, 2025**
 6. Summer Board Meeting, Rosen Centre, Orlando, Florida, **July 25-27, 2025**
 7. Winter Board Meeting, TBD, **January 2-4, 2026**
 8. CKI District Convention, **TBD, February/March 2026**
 9. District Education and Leadership Conference, Daytona Beach, FL, **April 16-19, 2026**
 10. Attend and lead the Florida District at the Key Club International Convention in Florida, Orlando, **July 1-6th.**
2. Attend as many Key Club Kick-off Conferences as possible, in addition to the home zone.
3. Attend ALL Zone Rallies in **2026**.
4. Publish and distribute an electronic bulletin to the district board, including a Lieutenant Governor status sheet, by the 25th of each month, including all content required for Distinguished Governor.
5. Write at least 4 electronic bulletins to clubs, including all content required for Distinguished Governor and submit articles to the Florida District Sunshine Source.
6. Represent the Florida District of Key Club at District Kiwanis and Circle K functions approved by the District Administrator.
7. Serve as Chair of the Executive Committee as well as the ex-officio member of all District Committees.
8. Appoint District Committee Chairs and make all committee assignments.
9. Send copies of all correspondence to the District Administrator and as appropriate the Kiwanis Governor and Governor-Elect.
10. With the Board, set goals for the district, develop a plan for their successful achievement and monitor the district's progress through quarterly Lieutenant Governor evaluations.
11. Must encourage and motivate all Lieutenant Governors and ensure they are meeting deadlines and setting up their divisions and clubs for success.
12. Create directives for committees and ensure all committees are on track and accomplishing their objectives.
13. Lead monthly Executive Conference Calls and Leadership Conference Calls.
14. Contact the District Administrator in a manner mutually agreed upon.
15. Send replies to questions and requests within two days of their receipt.
16. Perform all District required tasks not otherwise completed by the other District Officers.
17. Make all appointments required by the Bylaws of the Florida District in a timely manner.
18. Ensure the governance of all Divisions of the Florida District by supervising and assisting the Lt. Governors.
19. Complete at least five service hours with your home Key Club each month.
20. Follow the District Code of Conduct at all Key Club functions and at all events that you attend in your capacity as a Key Club member.
21. Maintain content on personal and district social networking sites (Facebook, etc.) appropriate to your position as a Key Club District leader and allow access by the Kiwanis Key Club Committee members.
22. Review and complete the criteria located in the Key Club Guidebook for Distinguished Governor and submit the application.
23. Maintain high academic standards and comply with all school rules, regulations and requirements.
24. Complete any other duties as they are assigned.
25. Fulfill your duties as Executive Advisor to an assigned committee, including attend necessary meetings, complete assigned tasks, and keep effective communication

Signature of Candidate _____ Date _____

As the parent or legal guardian of a Governor candidate, I have read the responsibilities of this position and agree to support my child in these endeavors, which I understand will include time and may include financial commitments. Furthermore, I understand that there are required meetings whose dates have been listed above and I will encourage and support my child's commitment to carry out all attendance requirements of the position.

Signature of Parent or Guardian _____ Print name _____ Date _____

Relationship to Student _____

Signature of Faculty Advisor or School Administrator _____ Print name _____ Date _____

Title _____



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Code of Conduct

Name: _____ School: _____

Key Club members, adult advisors and invited guests are expected to demonstrate behavior consistent with the high ideals of Key Club and should abide by the provisions of this code while in attendance at any Key Club International event. Every member will respect the authority of the Sergeant-at-Arms Committee, Key Club administrators and designated staff.

Responsible Behavior

1. All participants are expected to abide by all government laws and regulations.
2. Members must respect the personal property of others as well as the property of any meeting or lodging facility. The placing of signs or messages on the windows of the hotel or convention center rooms is prohibited. No material may be affixed to any hotel or convention center walls. Any damage caused by a member must be paid for by that member.
3. Members may not possess or consume any alcoholic beverages.
4. Members may not possess or use any drugs or other controlled substance, with the exception of prescribed medications.
5. Members may not possess or use tobacco or marijuana products, including, but not limited to smokeless tobacco, vaping pens, and JUULs.
6. Members are expected to abstain from any activity of a sexual nature.
7. Members are expected to not tolerate hazing or any action that creates unnecessary physical or mental discomfort, embarrassment, harassment or ridicule of others.
8. Members may not possess weapons, firecrackers, or anything of a dangerous nature or act in any way unbecoming of a Key Clubber.

Lodging

1. Members staying in a hotel or other lodging facility must sleep in their assigned room.
2. Members are allowed in their assigned room only. They are not allowed to enter other member assigned rooms at any time.
3. Male and female members may be present together in hospitality suites when an adult chaperone is present.
4. All members are expected to be on hotel property by 11:00 pm EST each evening of the event and abide by a curfew of being in their assigned room beginning at midnight and lasting until 5:00 am unless otherwise specified by the hotel. No Key Clubber shall be allowed on balconies after curfew.
5. Items within this section may be modified by the Key Club International Board with approval of the International Administrator.
6. Without notice, the Florida District reserves the right to inspect any room reserved by the Florida District of Key Club.

Dress Code

1. All participants are expected to abide by the designated dress code for each session.
2. "Professional" refers to dress shirt, slacks, necktie, sport or suit coat and appropriate shoes for males, and dress or suit, skirt or slacks, blouse, and appropriate shoes for females.
3. "Business Casual" refers to slacks, collared shirt, and appropriate shoes for males, and slacks, skirt or skort, blouse or collared shirt and appropriate shoes for females.
4. "Casual" refers to shorts or jeans, collared shirts, sweatshirts, or appropriate tee-shirts and casual footwear for males, and shorts, skirt, skort or jeans, collared shirt, sweatshirt, or appropriate tee-shirt and casual footwear for females.
5. At no time will any clothing with inappropriate language, or graphics be allowed. Any shirts, shorts, or skirts deemed to be of inappropriate length will not be allowed.
6. All participants are required to wear name badges for all convention events.

Enforcement

1. Violations of this Code will result in notification to the respective district administrator and event chaperone.
2. Violations such as, but not limited to, destruction of property, possession, consumption or use of alcoholic beverages or controlled substances will result in dismissal of the attendee from the event.
3. Notification, in writing, will be made by the District Administrator or their representative to the school, Kiwanis sponsor and parents of any member disciplined under this section.
4. These rules are effective as of the time you arrive at this event, until the time you depart. Key Club members, adult advisors and invited guests are expected to demonstrate behavior consistent with the high ideals of Key Club and should abide by the provisions of this Code while in attendance at any Florida District Key Club event. Every member will respect the authority of the Sergeant-at-Arms Committee, Key Club administrators, and designated staff.
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Photo Release

I understand that my child's image or likeness may be recorded. I grant the Florida District of Key Club International the absolute and irrevocable right and permission, to use or publish photographs, videotapes/film, audio recordings, or any other media that Florida District of Key Club International may take of my child or in which my child may be included with others, in any and all media now or hereafter known, and for any legitimate purpose whatsoever, and to use my child's name in connection therewith if the Florida District of Key Club International so chooses. I waive any right to inspect or approve the images or any finished version incorporating the same. Please make two copies of this form: one for event registration and one for the chaperones.

I have read and I understand the Code of Conduct. I understand that a violation of certain provisions of these rules may result in dismissal from the event.

Parent/Guardian's Name: _____ Signature: _____ Date: _____

Student's Name: _____ Signature: _____ Date: _____



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Attendance, Travel, and Posting Authorizations

Acceptable Modes of Transportation:

Key Club Members attending or traveling to any Key Club function or event, or traveling in their capacity as a Key Club member or officer shall be limited to the following modes of transportation:

1. If air travel is required, said travel is limited to commercial airlines;
2. If bus or rail travel is required, said travel is limited to properly licensed commercial bus or rail services, except that the sponsoring school and/or entity may provide their own school bus or school bus-comparable transportation;
3. Travel in excess of 10 hours per day shall require an overnight stop;
4. Personal vehicles may be used by board members, but this requires said board member to have a waiver signed by a parent or guardian that gives permission for this board member to travel to the event.

The only exception to these requirements is where a parent or guardian personally transports the member and assumes all risk and liability in said transportation.

(Candidates Name): _____ has our permission to travel to the:

CIRCLE ONE

A. Governors and Administrators Training Conference (GATC) (May 2-5, 2025)*	Yes	No
B. Leadership Training Conference (June 7-9, 2025)*	Yes	No
C. International Convention (July 1-6, 2025) Partial costs covered	Yes	No
D. Key Club International Leadership Conference (TBD)	Yes	No
E. Kiwanis District Convention (August 7-10, 2025)*	Yes	No
F. Summer Board Meeting (August 9-11, 2025)*	Yes	No
G. Winter Board Meeting (January 3-5, 2026)*	Yes	No
H. Attend CKI District Convention (TBD)*	Yes	No
I. Zone Rallies (January-March 2026)*	Yes	No
J. Attend District Education Leadership Conference (April 24-27, 2026)*	Yes	No

****The District covers the transportation and travel expenses for anything noted with an asterisk****
He/she will be traveling with (circle one). ***An adult member of the Key Club Committee is primary.***

Adult Key Club Committee member

Parent / guardian

Other (explain): _____

By signing below, we state that we understand and agree that this board member will abide by the limitations set in the "Acceptable Modes of Transportation" section. We also understand and agree that this board member's picture and school will be used in various Florida District of Key Club materials. We also understand and agree that overnight housing for board meetings usually consist of four students of the same gender per room with two double/full or larger beds. Students not wishing to sleep in the same bed as another student are welcome to pay for another type of room or to sleep in another part of the room.

Signature of Parent or Guardian

Print name

Date

Relationship to Student

Signature of Faculty Advisor or School Administrator

Print name

Date

Title



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Board Member Contact Information

All Candidates for All Positions Must Complete

Complete this form online before printing. All information must be typed or it will not be accepted.

NOTE: Some of this information will be published in the Candidates Book on the DCON app at the District Education and Leadership Conference, so be sure that all information is accurate.

Office Sought: Governor

Key Club Member Number (required): _____

Name as you wish it listed on official publications: _____

Gender (check one): Female Male Age: _____ Date of Birth (M/D/YYYY): _____

Division: _____ Zone: _____ Year of Graduation: _____

Home Address: _____, _____, FL _____

Your cell phone number: _____ Home phone number: _____

Personal E-mail address: _____

Sponsoring Kiwanis Club: _____ School: _____

Parent/Guardian 1 name: _____ Parent/Guardian 1 cell phone: _____

Parent/Guardian 2 name: _____ Parent/Guardian 2 cell phone: _____