Howdy, Class of ’21!

Class Agent elections for your Class are just around the corner, and the Aggie Network needs YOU! Beginning during this election cycle, we are moving to all Class Agents being elected individually, rather than as a team (as done during previous elections). If you are interested in running as an INDIVIDUAL Class Agent candidate, and serving as part of a of 5 member Class Agent team for the Class of 2020, here’s what you need to know:

**What is a Class Agent?**

Each organized Class of former students has elected Class Agents who serve as liaisons between their Class and The Association of Former Students. Class Agents are first elected during the student body elections of their junior year and serve an initial term of 6 years.

During their senior year, Class Agents represent their Class to The Association, work, in conjunction with Class Councils’ Class Gift Chair, to develop and fund a Class gift, and facilitate communication between and among their Classmates and the Aggie Network. Following graduation, Class Agents are a fundamental part of maintaining communication among Classmates and helping to ensure that they stay connected to Texas A&M and The Association of Former Students.

Class Agents work closely with departments within The Association—including Campus Programs, Former Student Programs, and Fundraising—to strengthen the Aggie Network, to promote the Aggie Spirit and the welfare of Texas A&M University, and to raise friends and funds to benefit the university and its current and former students. Each Class Agent representative serves as a member of the Leadership Council ([tx.ag/LeadershipCouncil](http://tx.ag/LeadershipCouncil)), which is the governing body of The Association of Former Students. Each Class is entitled to one collective vote as part of their role on the Leadership Council. For additional information regarding the Leadership Council’s governing documents, please visit [tx.ag/GoverningDocuments](http://tx.ag/GoverningDocuments).

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**Requirements / Rules for Running:**

- All candidates must have at least a 2.0 overall GPA and be in good standing with the university.
- Each Class Agent will run as an INDIVIDUAL candidate, but will serve as part of a 5 member Class Agent Team.
- Each individual running for Class Agent must attend two meetings prior to beginning the election process:
  1. *Class Agent Pre-Election Candidate Interviews held at the Clayton W. Williams, Jr. Alumni Center on January 28 - 30, at a meeting time scheduled directly with The Association staff contacts.*
  2. *Mandatory Candidate Meeting held by the Election Commission on February 16 at *(time and location TBD – info will be posted on [tamuelection.com](https://tamuelection.com)) where you will receive additional election information.*
- If you have specific questions for the Election Commission you may address them during the Mandatory Candidates Meeting. Class Agent candidates can also access election information at www.tamuelection.com or by contacting the Election Commissioner, Jacob Schaffer ’22 at tamuelection@gmail.com.
- The Association will pay the filing fees for each Class Agent candidate if the above criteria are met.
- Each individual Class Agent must sign a “Commitment to Serve” as Class Agent form. Names should be listed on this form as they will appear on the ballot. These forms will be available at
the Class Agent Interviews on **January 28 - 30**.

- Once elected, Class Agents must maintain donor status with The Association at “Active level” or above (see [tx.ag/GivingLevels](http://tx.ag/GivingLevels)) to continue to serve as Class Agents and as members of The Association’s Leadership Council.
- Once elected, Class Agents will meet with The Association of Former Students throughout the remainder of their junior year, and throughout their senior year as they prepare for their Class’ transition to former students.

**Job Requirements:**

If elected, you’ll serve for six years (and can run for re-election after that).

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**During your Class’s senior year, your team will:**

- Work with The Association to send out Class emails, social media and other communications.
- Work with Class Councils to develop and fund a Class Gift.

**During the following five years, your team’s duties will include:**

- Attending at least one annual meeting of the Association’s Leadership Council (you are each members.)
- Writing at least one Class Newsletter per year and sending Silver Taps condolence notes when The Association learns of a Classmate’s passing.
- Working with The Association to send out Class emails, social media and other communications. The Association works to keep Aggies connected, share news and raise friends and funds to benefit Texas A&M and its current and former students.
- Helping bring your Classmates to the annual Young Alumni Weekend, which serves as a Class Reunion for the most recent 10 A&M Classes.

✔️ **Don’t forget - Submit your completed Class Agent application to [tx.ag/ClassAgentApplication](http://tx.ag/ClassAgentApplication) by January 22!**

For additional information, and to answer any questions, you may visit [tx.ag/ClassAgents](http://tx.ag/ClassAgents) and/or contact Clay Jackson ’09 or Kellie Malone ’08. Also, election information may be accessed at [tamuelection.com](http://tamuelection.com), or by emailing the Election Commissioner directly. Good luck!

Thanks and gig ‘em, Class of ‘21!

The Association of Former Students