

ASB ROYBAL CANDIDATES



CANDIDATES FOR ROYBAL PRESIDENT

Karen Reyes



The reason why I am running for President is because I believe that I have continuously demonstrated a strong work ethic, as well as, great leadership abilities and would like to use these qualities to better service the Roybal community. I am open minded and I do my best to listen to everybody's opinion. I aim to try and understand everyone's perspective. One of the qualities that I have is that I like to help students with any support they may need. For example, I like discussing with them what we need to do and guide others on how to do the work together as well as provide them with any help necessary to complete any task. I am one to always respect teachers, staff members, and all students. One of my strongest assets is that I tend to face challenges head on, regardless of how hard they may be. I always push myself to overcome and achieve.

In the last 3 years at Roybal, I have succeeded and thrived in academically rigorous classes. I've also demonstrated my leadership through Roybal sports teams that I participate in. Last year, I served as the 2018-2019 ASB secretary and I believe that being active in student government as a secretary has taught me to believe in myself enough to know that I can make a change and serve the Roybal community as president.

One important thing I have learned during my time at Roybal Learning Center is that I never give up. I never give up regardless of how hard things can get and I always push forward to succeed. Something else that I have learned is that I have a lot of potential. I think it is critical for us to realize our potential and that is what we should be doing as a Roybal community. One thing I have learned about the Roybal community is that we are low on school spirit and this is something that I want to commit to changing. We are a community and it is critical for us to be proud of ourselves as Roybal Titans. I feel strongly about our persona as Roybal Learning Center in the overall LAUSD school community. We always find a way to prove ourselves as a school. Last year we beat records with basketball, football, SBAC scores, and more! This year we are going to do the same! Something that makes me different from other candidates is that I am not afraid to speak up and defend what's right. I want to reassure my supporters by showing them that I am unafraid to work hard, fight hard, and push forward as a strong unit.

As I move forward in ASB, I want to ensure that as a Roybal community we go more green and eco-friendly. That will be one of the many initiatives I will push for and advocate during my time as your representative.

Josue Menjivar



The ASB president has the responsibility to oversee all schools events and all organization, my name is Josue Menjivar and I'm running to be your ASB president this year. I feel capable enough to run for this position because of my dedication to Roybal and my willingness to put my whole time to make each and every event bigger and better than the last. Over the past three years at Roybal, the love I have for this school has grown because of the relationships I created here on campus. Also, I earned a GPA of 4.00 thanks all the help and support I received at Roybal. Clearly, I demonstrate my academic capabilities, which I will use toward creating a better Roybal.

This Roybal family has taught me to be responsible, work hard, visualize my goals and to be persistent in what I want. I'm very creative so I can come up with new ideas that help to improve our campus. I have also developed strong communication skills, which I think is a great tool that any leader must have to succeed. I'm honest, trustworthy, responsible, reliable, and I intend to lead by example. Most importantly, I'm running to represent each and everyone of you so together we can make this year one of the best of our high school experience. I'll be honored if you vote for me as your 2019-2020 Roybal ASB president.

CANDIDATES FOR ROYBAL VICE-PRESIDENT

Kiume Ellis



I am running for Vice President of Roybal's Associated Student Body in order to foster change at Roybal. I want the year 2019 and 2020 to be one of the best years Roybal has ever seen. I want future generations at Roybal to remember this year as the foundation for their experience. I want a more cultured school, a school that is not just based on one culture but all of them, with activities and music people want to see and hear. I want the students to be heard.

As a student at Roybal Learning Center, I have brought joy to students and teachers around the campus. I engage in conversations with everybody, learn everybody's culture, and provide a voice to everyone who wants their voice to be heard. Everyone that goes to this school should have a voice in what they want to see and hear at school, as well as, events they want to put on. As ASB Vice President I will fight for those rights.

What I have learned about myself during my time at Roybal Learning Center is that I love to fight for my rights and everyone's rights around me. I like to see people be able to show how they are and embrace themselves.

I feel strongly about bringing diversity to the school. I also feel strongly about getting more original events, not something we see every year.

What makes me unique as a candidate is that I am not afraid to fight to get things done, to give students what they want, to make the school better, to change a "no" answer to a "yes" answer.

The single most important issue I will be addressing is showing culture in our events and music. In addition to highlighting the Latino Culture, I want our school to show more cultures. What about the minorities? What about the African-Americans? What about the Asians? We are here too why not make us a part of it too. That is what I am all about, highlighting the experiences of everybody.



Amie Rodriguez

I am running for Vice President for the betterment of the school and a more enjoyable year for all Roybal students. Being Vice President comes with a lot of responsibility, which I am more than able to handle. As a junior, I was a part of my SLC's leadership, I had the position of Vice President for my SLC. I have also been a part of a variety of sports here at Roybal therefore, I am very much capable to work with my fellow peers.

What I have learned throughout these last three years at Roybal is that our school should have more activities. Students should be able to have a memorable high school experience. I have also learned that Roybal lacks school spirit and so to fix that I want to help organize events that get students excited to be at Roybal.

Something I feel strongly about is the voice of the students here at Roybal, I want students to feel safe and comfortable at school. Every voice deserves to be heard no matter their background we should all feel comfortable to voice our opinion and not be judged for it. What sets me apart from other candidates is I have had leadership experience and I know what would be asked of me, and I know I can deliver. An issue I find important in school is to address awareness of our fellow LGBTQIA community. We are going into the year 2020 and people should feel comfortable in their own skin

CANDIDATES FOR ROYBAL SECRETARY

Michael Gabriel



Hello, my name is Michael Gabriel and I'm running for ASB secretary. As a student that has experienced many challenges in and out of this school, I have learned the importance of teamwork, integration, and community. These experiences have given me the confidence of wanting to get involved and help my classmates in the Roybal community. I want to support the Associated Student Body with their activities to improve our school and help all the students in their school life.

For the last three years at Roybal Learning Center, I think that I've done many things that make me a good candidate for this position. In all my classes I've seen that the effort put in all the activities are very important, which made me realize how indispensable work and individuality are, but none of these are very effective if they're not combined with teamwork and community.

During all my school years at the Roybal community I've seen how important it is to have integration of each student in a group to grow as a person and as a better student. I've also learned how important it is to live with others and learn from them no matter their race, age or beliefs. One of the things that I feel strongly about at Roybal Learning Center is the fact that most of its students can get along with each other without any prejudice, they don't care about race, gender or beliefs, which makes Roybal Learning Center a good place to share opinions in which you can get along with all kinds of people that help you to be a better person.

One thing that I think makes me different is being able to work individually and in groups, even though I work most of the times by myself, I would like to interact and work with others more often. Another thing that makes me unique is my ability to work in harmony with my classmates. One of the first issues that I would address is the inclusion of the students' opinions on the activities and decisions made by the school office. Another issue I would like to address is supporting students that need help in their classes but are having difficulties seeking help.

CANDIDATES FOR ROYBAL TREASURER



Helen Martinez

I am running to be treasurer because I want to develop a positive working relationship with ASB, exchange ideas, and discuss the importance of financial responsibility. I feel proficient enough to work with my classmates and create a better organized environment. I want to be able to propose knowledgeable ideas on how to invest, spend, and save money adequately.

Since I started my 9th grade at Roybal Learning Center, I have been very responsible with all my work in general. For example, I always try my best to come on time, to turn in all my assignments punctually. Also by cooperating with teachers by helping ELD students that immigrated to the United States, especially because it is difficult for

them to understand the lessons that teachers are giving. Working for the community has been a key part of my experience at Roybal!

I feel very thankful with Roybal Learning Center. I have learned a lot about myself and other people, for example their experiences throughout life, and some good advice from elders that will help me become a better person in the future. This school has made me stronger mentally and morally.

What makes different from other candidates is that I will take this role as one of the most important things I have done for the past 4 years at Roybal Learning Center. Meaning, that for me, it will be an honor and pleasure to be treasurer of the school. Therefore, I know this is a big responsibility to deal with and I know I am capable of handling it with perceptiveness. I will give my hundred percent as treasure.

For students that will be voting for me, I will say that you are making the right choice for Roybal Learning Center to have a well organized financial budget. Also I will be representing an important role in which everyone will be benefited by it, by saving and spending money meticulously. We, as a Roybal community, will make our house a better place for everyone.

Sherequa Smikle



I am running to be Treasurer because I'm talented in dealing with any monetary regards. Checking figures is "my thing." I wanted to be in the ASB and run for Treasurer because it was the most suitable position that applies to me.

As a newer student I haven't been fully involved in Roybal activities, but at my old school, before I moved here, I was always in charge of anything with money. They always made me in charge of planning and money spending.

I have learned that I like to create change and I've learnt that the Roybal community is not really active in anything at school, that makes me want to be their voice for change. I feel strongly about the special ed students not getting enough attention and I also feel strongly about the nasty lunches and the dirty restrooms. As the person in charge of money and budgets, I would try to make it into the budget to get the restrooms cleaner and take care of the sinks and toilets because sometimes I think the toilets run over. While the sinks are normally very dirty. Versus the food issue, they cook untasty food that no one really likes and it most likely gets thrown away by kids. They also are too repetitive with the meals they are cooking. They need a wider variety of the food on the menus.

What makes me different is that I really have a vision for this school. I didn't just join ASB because it will look good on my college applications, but because I want to make things better than they already are. I just think there isn't enough student opinion in this school because no one is trying to be really involved. Even if people do have concerns for the school betterment, they most likely would relate to a student more than a teacher and that's where I come in because I'm very social.

It is important to me that disabled students don't get enough attention or encouragement. For example, they play sports and no one attends their games, it's like they aren't important. They also need to offer more things in the student store because half of the time students try to purchase anything, it's unavailable. Concerts like spring fest and winter fest need to be about every race or just no race at all (it should just be a concert) instead of only doing things from hispanic cultures because other students attend the school that aren't hispanics and they know nothing about Hispanic cultures. My goal is to be more accepting of all cultures: Black, Asian, Latino, Native American, etc.

Nickte Alvarez



The reason why I am running for treasurer is because I have plenty of experience working and making successful moves. Yes, I have failed in the past but it has made me learn that failure helps me learn, grow, and it helps get me to where I really want to be. I also believe I should be treasurer because I have great communication skills that I learned in middle school when I was in leadership. Leadership helped me run financial issues properly and make school how everyone wants with events. In my last 2 years at Roybal, I have successfully succeeded in demanding academic classes, making me a responsible person. I would be perfect for this role because I learned the real definition of business and how it works. I didn't only apply this at school work but also at home. I have had a couple of businesses at home that have made me the successful woman I am.

Being in Roybal for two years, almost three, has made me realize that I am an amazing person because I have the power to make people feel themselves when they are with me and also that I fight for what is right for everyone in order for them to feel comfortable at Roybal. The Roybal community is full of teens that would want to make their high school years unforgettable and that can be possible if we ASB make it happen. Something else I have learned in our Roybal community is that our school spirit is not what others expect it to be and as treasurer I would be more than happy to help our community be proud as Roybal Titans.

What I feel strongly about Roybal is that the students try very hard to make our school look better than the rest in every aspect. For example, these last couple years we were the highest school who scored high in the SBAC. Also, the students aren't the only ones who try but also the staff member make our school fun and encourage our students to participate in activities we have at school.

I am different from other candidates because I'm not afraid of failure. In fact, I think it is an essential part of the process that will get us to a successful Roybal community--a fun and interesting school. I would also consider myself different because I am organized, dedicated, and efficient. I like to get things done as soon as possible, and I don't give up easily. I also assure everyone that I will try my very best to make everyone's ideas on activities come true by managing money well.

Some issues that are very important to me that should be addressed at Roybal are improving school spirit and making it a very wonderful area where it can make people have so many memories with every human in the school. A way these issues

would be solved by managing the way we use the money we get on fundraising properly and making more fun activities that would encourage every teen at the school to participate in.