

OKLAHOMA STATE SENATE

2017 Senate Legislative Page Program

Page Duties

Pages will be asked to collate bills, deliver messages for Senators and staff, run errands, answer a Senator's office telephone, and other administrative duties. Pages interact with Senate members on the Senate Floor and in Senate Committee meetings.

Number and Type of Appointments Allowed

During a legislative session, each Senator may sponsor by appointment **four (4) pages**. The legislative weeks of service begin in February and end May, 2019 (or Sine Die). The page week of service is usually Monday through Thursday (except the last two weeks which includes Friday). Lodging pages arrive at the hotel on Sunday evening. The **maximum number of pages each week is 14**.

Qualifications

Senate page appointees must be enrolled in an Oklahoma secondary school as a **11th or 12th grade student**, be home schooled at the equivalent enrollment level, or a foreign exchange student at the equivalent enrollment while serving as a Senate page. Students must be a minimum of **16 years of age**.

Selection and Notification process

Each Senator develops his/her own criteria for appointment. To apply, a student must contact his/her Senator to express an interest and find out what is required to make application with that office.

Compensation

The pages will be paid \$25.00 per day they serve. They will receive their check one week to 10 days from the week they served.

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Page Expenses

Hotel expenses (room charges only) are paid by the Senate. The Senate will provide two lunches during the week and pizza for "Pageville". Students are responsible for all other meals and evening activities.

Average weekly costs for these range from \$60-\$85.

Lodging

Pages will be staying at the Courtyard by Marriott Oklahoma City Downtown located at 2 West Reno, one block west of famous Bricktown. Pages may commute to the Capitol or lodge at the page hotel. All pages meeting the age and grade requirement are eligible to lodge regardless of where they reside. Early reservations are imperative. **Note any roommate preferences on the reservation/appointment form.**

Evening Activities

Participation in evening activities is mandatory for pages who lodge. However, pages may arrange in advance to be excused for school or church sponsored activities only. Pages that commute are invited to join in the evening activities, but arrangements must be made in advance with the page staff.

Page Packet

A personalized **packet of information will be mailed to the parents/guardians of each appointee at least two (2) weeks in advance of the service period**. The packet contains instructions regarding dress code, arrival and departure times, page protocol, hotel information for pages that lodge, and parking information for pages that commute. **Parental permission and release forms pertaining to personal automobile usage, transport liability, and emergency medical treatment are also in the packet and must be completed and signed by the parent and the page.** The forms are to be **given to the page staff upon arrival to either the Capitol or the page hotel.**