

OYL Backgrounder

The Ontario Young Liberals (OYL) is the youth wing of the Ontario Liberal Party and the Liberal Party of Canada (Ontario). Comprised of thousands of youth from across the province, the OYL promotes liberal values and candidates, contributes to the policy process for the senior parties, and supports local community groups and initiatives.

Each year, the OYL hosts its signature events throughout the province to encourage youth involvement in politics and the policy development process.

Our annual events are:

- Ontario Model Parliament - Young Liberals will be able to learn what a typical day is like for our MPPs at Queen's Park and learn about the legislative process by debating proposed bills from the youth wing of each political party.
- OYL Debate Camp – This event was previously known as OYL on Ice. The event is the OYL winter policy event that is held the day after Ontario Model Parliament. It is a policy workshop where the OYL Policy Director gives an update on OYL policies and Young Liberals hear from many guest speakers.
- Summer Fling - This is OYL's annual policy conference. Young Liberals debate 12 federal policies and 12 provincial policies. Successful policies will be advocated by OYL to the senior party for consideration.
- OYL Annual General Meeting - Young Liberals meet for a weekend and choose a new executive to represent the organization as a whole. There are 16 representatives elected at the AGM. The executive is split into three groups: Management Board, Directors and Regional Coordinators. Go to <http://oyl.org/executive> to see a list of this year's executive and their contact information.

The OYL Executive welcomes you to join us at our events, meet Young Liberals from across the province, and help us in supporting the Liberal party in Ontario.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact OYL President Kevin Leung at kleung@OYL.org.