

## **2022-2023 District 7 Leadership Nominations Now Open**

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District Leadership Committee Chair

### **Calling All Candidates**

A District's success depends on the quality of its leadership. This is the time of year when we begin the process of identifying qualified leaders for the 2022-2023 Toastmaster year.

Serving as a District leader is a great responsibility and an exciting opportunity. Your term of office is filled with chances for you to renew your perspective, practice teamwork, and develop your capacity to translate values and strategies into productive actions.

Members of the District team depend on you to help them develop their own goals and achievements. Clubs see you as a facilitator to their success. You instill a sense of enthusiasm, fidelity, and responsibility throughout the District.

If you are ready to use the skills you have learned in Toastmasters to take your leadership experience to the next level, please consider one of the District positions. Here is a [link](#) to the District leader competencies for each role.

### **The Process**

**Important Note: The deadline for submitting nominations is February 1, 2022.**

The D7 Nominating Form ([found here](#)) can be used to **nominate yourself or someone else** for one or more District offices. If you nominate more than one person, please submit a separate form for each individual. You may also send an email to PJ Kleffner, District Leadership Chair (dlc@d7toastmasters.org), to announce your candidacy.

**The following positions will be elected during the District 7 Spring Conference at the Annual Business Meeting on May 7, 2022:**

#### **District Director**

As the District Director, you are responsible for directly administering and overseeing the District's day-to-day operations, finances, and human resources. Fortunately, you have a team of District leaders to help you fulfill these responsibilities. You must empower your District leadership team members to work together toward the District mission, while supporting each one in his or her development as a leader. Together with your District leadership team, you participate in District Leader Training, Mid-year Training and online training via the District Leader Tutorials on the Toastmasters International website. To serve as District Director, you must have served at least six consecutive months as a club president and at least 12 consecutive months as a program quality Director, club growth Director or division Director, or a combination thereof at the time you take office. Once you serve as District Director for a full year, you may not be re-elected to the same office for a succeeding term.

#### **Program Quality Director**

As the Program Quality Director, you are responsible for all aspects of education and training within the District. This includes supporting quality club programming efforts, promoting the Distinguished Club Program and planning, organizing, and executing the District conference. You are also responsible for

promoting and supporting club quality and member retention. Together with your District leadership team, you participate in District Leader Training, Mid-year Training and online training via the District Leader Tutorials on the Toastmasters International website. To be program quality Director, you must have served at least six consecutive months as Club President and at least 12 consecutive months as a Program Quality Director, Club Growth Director, Division Director or Area Director. Once you serve as Program Quality Director for a full year, you may not be re-elected to the same office for a succeeding term.

### **Club Growth Director**

As the Club Growth Director, you are responsible for all aspects of marketing, club building and club-retention efforts within the District. This includes defining an overall marketing strategy for the District, developing outreach and retention efforts with existing community and corporate clubs and penetrating new markets. Additionally, the Club Growth Director supports challenged Clubs and helps them to become Distinguished. Together with your District leadership team, you participate in District Leader Training, Mid-year Training, and online training via the District Leader Tutorials on the Toastmasters International website. To be Club Growth Director, you must have served at least six consecutive months as Club President and at least 12 consecutive months as a Program Quality Director, Club Growth Director, Division Director or Area Director. Once you serve as Club Growth Director for a full year, you may not be re-elected to the same office for a succeeding term.

### **Division Director**

As Division Director, your job is to lead and support the Division through the supervision and support of the Area Directors. One of your primary goals as Division Director is to ensure that each club achieves its mission and fulfills its responsibilities to its members. To achieve this, you coordinate Division activities, set Division goals and assist in the training of Area and Club leaders. To serve as Division Director, you must have served at least six consecutive months as a member of a District council. The Division Director may be re-elected to one succeeding term.

### **Appointed Positions**

In addition to the above elected positions, we have dozens of appointed positions, including Area Directors, Administration, Finance and PR Managers, Committee Chairs and members to help plan the District Conference, Speech Contests, Club officer training (TLI), Club Coach coordinator, and more. If you or someone you know are interested in any of these other positions, please use the nominating [form](#), or send an email to PJ Kleffner, [DLC@d7toastmasters.org](mailto:DLC@d7toastmasters.org) or [pjkleffner.tm@frontier.com](mailto:pjkleffner.tm@frontier.com).