

# North NJ DSA Executive Committee Candidate Questionnaire - January 2021

Please use this form to submit your candidacy for one of the positions on our executive committee.

For full descriptions of all executive committee positions, please view our by-laws:

<https://north.dsanj.org/chapter-by-laws/>

Full Name \*

Amari Rae Pulido

Position you are running for \*

YDSA Coordinator (must be 25 years old or younger) ▼

Why are you a member of DSA? \*

I used to think I was a liberal or progressive until I realized that the two US major parties are two sides of the same coin. Now I am proud to be a socialist, a leftist. As someone who is nonbinary, first generation Cuban-American on one side, a first generation student, and from low socioeconomic status graduating with college debt, I want people to have the basic human rights they deserve. We deserve a present and future free from capitalism and greed.

What will you bring to this Executive Committee position? \*

I have been a freshman liaison on my college campus, I have canvassed for candidates door to door, and I truly enjoy reaching out to people in order to get them involved in a cause. I will open lines of communication and hopefully establish new relations with Northern NJ high school and colleges.

What is your vision for North NJ DSA and how will you work to achieve it? \*

Many high schools do not have political organizations, and many colleges have political organizations but only for the two US major parties or an additional conservative third party. We need to introduce and expose students to democratic socialism, our mission, values, and goals. There are many people who are aligned with democratic socialism but do not yet know it.

If you could change one thing about our chapter, what would you change? \*

Alot of activities tend to focus on more urban areas, which is important, but I think we also need to reach out to suburban and even rural areas because they are not wastes of time.

Is there anything else you'd like to share with fellow chapter members? \*

I wouldn't be submitting this application if I wasn't passionate about moving away from the US duopoly. If elected, I would organize strategically for my role as YDSA Coordinator (On 12/2 I will be 21 yrs old)

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