**Kentucky Association of Nursing Students**

**Application for Office**

**\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*CANDIDATES MUST BE IN SCHOOL\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\***

**Position for which you wish to seek: STATE PRESIDENT**

**Name: RYAN BARRETT**

**School Currently Attending: MADISONVILLE COMMUNITY COLLEGE**

**Expected Graduation Date: DECEMBER 31, 2025**

**Please select one of the following:**

**\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_1.) I am a pre-nursing student taking pre-requisites towards a degree in nursing.**

**\_\_\_XX\_\_\_2.) I am currently enrolled in a nursing program.**

I, **RYAN BARRETT**, understand that if elected into office, I will be expected to travel to all Executive Board Meetings held in various cities in the state of Kentucky. I am aware of the time commitment involved in holding this position. If elected I agree that I have read the responsibilities and duties, described for the position as outlined in the KANS By-laws, Policy & Procedures Manual, and/or delegate packet.

List any current/previous offices you have held (school or other).

* Secretary of MCC Chapter of KANS (Current)
* Congressional District Chair- District 4 (Democratic Party of Georgia 2018-2020)
* Newton County, Georgia Democratic Party Chairman (2018-2020)
* Georgia HOSA President (2004-2006)
* Student Government President (WBHS 2003-2005)

List any other activities (school or community) that you are involved in that may enhance your understandings in the office.

* Involved in multiple employee boards in the various hospitals I have been employed at over the last twenty-one years
* Board member of the Millennials for Progress non-profit organization
* Participated in legislative caucusing during my tenure with HOSA

Why are you seeking this office? How do you think that you can contribute to the success of KANS?

I am seeking the esteemed position of State President of the Kentucky Association of Nursing Students driven by a strong conviction to promote inclusive leadership and amplify the voices of student nurses throughout the entire Commonwealth of Kentucky. My goal is to cultivate a thriving organization by embracing the best ideas and perspectives from every corner of our diverse student nurse community.

At the core of my leadership philosophy lies a deep commitment to servant leadership. I genuinely believe in the power of serving others, and I am passionate about utilizing this approach to expand access to our organization. By adopting a servant leader mindset, I aim to create an environment where every student nurse feels valued, empowered, and supported on their professional journey.

Drawing from my extensive leadership background across various organizations, I am confident that I can bring a steady hand to the Kentucky Association of Nursing Students. My experience has honed my ability to navigate complex challenges, foster collaboration, utilize all members of the team in the best fit to further foster a cohesive unit, and cultivate an environment where ideas can flourish. I believe that a strong and inclusive leadership style is essential for ensuring the future backbone of the healthcare industry remains resilient in the Commonwealth.

In summary, my candidacy for State President is fueled by the desire to champion the ideals of inclusive leadership, servant leadership, and the cultivation of a supportive and thriving organization. I wholeheartedly believe that by embracing the thoughts and ideas of all student nurses across Kentucky, we can collectively shape a brighter future for our profession and ensure that the Commonwealth's healthcare industry remains robust.

**Headshot**

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