

Model Senate Get to Know Your Senator Worksheet

Students assigned to either the role of **Co-Chair or Senator** should complete the following worksheet as preparation for **Model Senate**. Successful participants will have a firm understanding of their assigned Senator's background, education, constituency, and voting record. More information on each Senator can be found here: <https://www.senate.gov/senators/index.htm>. In order to accurately complete this document, **students should know their assigned committee topic** as determined in their school's **Student Assignment Document**.

Place a professional headshot or photo of your assigned Senator here:

Professional Name (ex. Senator Sherrod Brown) _____

State Represented (ex. Ohio) _____

Party Affiliation (Democrat/Independent/Republican)

Years in Congressional Office (ex. 15 years) _____

Prior Career (ex. Ohio's Secretary of State) _____

Senate Committee Membership(s)

Notable Policy Agenda (ex. Climate Change Legislation)

Recent Sponsored or Co-Sponsored Legislation

Summarize your Senator's position on your assigned committee topic.

Does your assigned Senator have public comments, statements or policy arguments on your assigned committee topic ? If not, can you make an educated determination of what their policy arguments may be on your assigned topic?

What are some policy proposals that your Senator, or your Senator's party have that pertains to your assigned committee topic?

What are some potential areas of bipartisan agreement on your assigned committee topic?

Each Senator will have 2-4 minutes to question any number of Expert Witnesses present in your committee session, with the goal of finding bipartisan policy solutions. Based on your answers to the questions above, please craft a minimum of 3 questions for Expert Witnesses in your committee room. These questions should help inform potential policies you propose with other Senators during the committee meeting.

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