

Hi everyone! My name is April and I came to Western from my hometown of Helena, just two hours north of Dillon. When I lived in Helena, I was an active member of the community and enjoyed volunteering with different organizations. I volunteered as a unified partner with the Special Olympics of Montana and learned how to connect to a wide range of individuals along with having plenty of fun engaging in activities within the organization.

Talking about fun, another significant pastime that makes life so much better is spending time outdoors. One reason that Montana Western is such an incredible school with an even better community is that most of us share a love for all things outside and find community with one another through that. Conservation of the land, water, and mountains that Montana has is so important. Before I came to Western, I volunteered as a board member with the local chapter of Montana Trout Unlimited, a conservation group to protect and restore waterways for fish. This experience allowed me to develop strong communication skills as well as good listening skills.

When I came to Western, I became an active member of the Terra Verde Club because of my passion for all things outside. I have enjoyed getting to know the other members I was introduced to through the club as well as the awesome trips we get to go on together.

The reason I would like to be a Senator is to better communicate what the students need to see changed and listen to any ideas they may have to better build our community. I'm hoping to promote a change in food services in the Dining Hall. Like many other students, I struggled with how the meal plans were set up this year and was disappointed with how the quality of food was never consistent. I would also like to look into getting filtered shower heads for the dorms, if possible, to add more comfort to dorm-living. Lastly, I want to help provide the best experience that students can have here at Montana Western and build a friendly, kind, and welcoming community for everyone.