

► **Brandon Neff**

CANDIDATE FOR JUNIOR YELL LEADER



Howdy! My name is Brandon Neff and I am running for junior yell leader. I am a sophomore business major from New Braunfels, and a proud member of Squadron 13 in the fightin' Texas Aggie Corps of Cadets.

One of my first experiences as a freshman at Texas A&M was a yell practice. It was like nothing that I had ever seen before. It was the first time in my life that

I saw people that were apparently different, come together for one cause with so much energy. The more time I spend here, the more I realize the uniqueness of Texas A&M and the twelfth man.

The position of junior yell leader is one of the most important positions on campus. It is a position that demands respect and dedication both on and off the field because yell leaders are representatives of all Aggies.

I have always tried to serve A&M to the best of my ability, in ways that I felt embody the essence of the Aggie Spirit. In closing, I feel that today's Texas A&M University needs leaders that are intelligent, articulate, and understand the student body they represent. That is why I have chosen to run for the position of junior yell leader. I'm looking forward to another season in the Big 12 and I hope to represent you down on Kyle Field. Remember to get out there and vote, my name is Brandon Neff, #4 on the ballot for junior yell. Thanks and gig 'em.

► **Chad Henke**

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Howdy Ags! My name is Chad Henke, and I am a sophomore biomedical science major from Montgomery, Texas. I want to represent you as your next Fightin' Texas Aggie junior yell leader.

It was at summer conference as a freshman that I first realized what a privilege it was to be part of such an elite group of people we all know as Aggies. Ever since then, I have had an undying

love for everything this great university represents from its numerous traditions to its friendly campus. But, being a yell leader encompasses more than just firin' up the Twelfth Man at yell practice; it's about being an ambassador to that great Aggie Spirit. I can think of no better way to convey this dedication and devotion for Texas A&M, than to serve as your yell leader.

I also want to remind you that deep down we are all Aggies first and to vote for the candidate who possesses that awesome Aggie Spirit we all know, love and cherish. It is one we often cannot express, one that is rich in tradition and one that flows through our blood. "It is the spirit that can ne'er be told."

We stand up for our team, for what we believe in and for that indescribable Fightin' Texas Aggie Spirit. I encourage all of you to do the same on March 26 and 27. Hump-it with Henke! I am #7 on the ballot for junior yell. Thanks and gig 'em!

► **Chris Colville**

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Howdy Aggies! My name is Chris Colville, Fightin' Class of '99, and I would like to talk to you about the position of junior yell leader. To become a yell leader, in my eyes, is an honor. With honor comes responsibility. A responsible yell leader has character and enthusiasm. A yell leader must have character because we are visible representatives of all Aggies. To me, a strong character

is the ability to make moral decisions, founded on a strong belief in God. When you believe in something much bigger than yourself, you have enthusiasm that your decisions are right. I have faith in God, my fellow Aggies and myself that the decisions we make as yell leaders will best represent Texas A&M.

I have a strong desire to represent Texas A&M as your next junior yell leader. This desire runs deep within me. When I first set foot on this campus, I knew this place was special. The Aggie Spirit is indefinable, but always present. I know it when somebody tells me that the Spirit of Aggieland will run deep within them for the rest of their lives. So I ask for the honor of representing all Aggies as a yell leader. When new Aggies first set foot on this campus next year, I want to be able to say to them, "Got a little story for ya' Ag. It's a story about the greatest place on earth. It's a story about Aggieland!"

► **Darren Oldag**

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Howdy! My name is Darren Oldag. I am a sophomore computer engineering major from El Campo, Texas. As a yell leader, one is responsible for representing Texas A&M and invigorating the Twelfth Man with the Spirit of Aggieland. These are two jobs that I will not take lightly. The spirit here is very important to me. I entered A&M as a freshman for the quality of the engineering college, but

I promptly recognized that I had found something special. Soon, the spirit overcame me, and I realized there was no place else I wanted to be. I want to continue this ascension to a higher plane and become a leader of that spirit.

And what could be better than having an "Old Ag" for a yell leader! And yes, Oldag really is my last name. The significance of it was not clear to me until I kept getting strange looks from people whenever I introduced myself. I've lost count of the number of times I've actually had to show my ID to convince people that I am telling the truth. Of course, the obvious questions follow: "Did you change your last name to that?"

No way, I am pure blooded Old Ag!

"Do you come from a long line of Aggies?"

No, actually I am a first generation Aggie, but I am sure that after me a long line of Old Ags will attend Texas A&M University. Make your junior yell leader an Old Ag!

► **Gregg Nichols**

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Howdy, I am Gregg Nichols, an ag-business major from Nacogdoches, and a proud member of the Fightin' Texas Aggie Class of 1999. I am running for junior yell leader and with that position comes much responsibility and visible leadership. I believe the position requires honesty, integrity and character to represent Texas A&M in the best way possible. These characteristics are important because they pay respect, not

only to the position of yell leader, but more importantly to Texas A&M University. I also want to be real with these characteristics. We are real as Aggies by having Aggie Spirit and living out the traditions of Aggieland. We uphold and cherish traditions such as Muster and Silver Taps, which pay respect to fallen Aggies because they display the love we have for fellow Aggies. Some of the University's biggest traditions include: Bonfire, which shows our burning desire to beat the hell outta t.u., and Fightin' Texas Aggie football games that unifying us all as the Twelfth Man. By living these traditions every day, we are real as Aggies. I have a desire to serve and represent Aggieland; therefore, I want to become real to Texas A&M University. Thank you for your time. Gregg Nichols for junior yell. Gig 'em!

► **Robert Kimmel**

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Hi, I'm Rob, and like many others, I want to be your next junior yell leader. If you've ever seen me in person, you know that I'm unlike any other junior yell leader candidate. In fact, I have as much hair as all the other candidates put together, and then some. But the differences go well beyond appearances. I see the position of yell leader as much more than a spirit leader. I believe yell leaders need to be leaders in all parts of

campus life. Our yell leaders should inspire us to be the best we can be, and constantly motivate us socially, academically, morally and spiritually. Our yell leaders need to use their position of influence to influence people towards good, and away from the evils of hazing, alcoholism, and animosity. Our Yell Leaders need to be the proponents of issues important to the students. Most important, our yell leaders need to be good, hardworking, motivated Ags. If you're ready to expect all these things from your yell leaders, and you're ready for a leader off the playing field as well as on, then you're ready for RK YELL.

Only one question remains — cut that hair, or leave it there?!
Robert Kimmel for Junior Yell.

► **Travis Normand**

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Howdy!

My name is Travis Normand and I am running for junior yell leader. As a third generation Aggie I know what an important role the Aggie Spirit plays in all Aggie's lives. From the very first yell practice on the steps of the YMCA building, the Aggie yell leaders have been an example of the Spirit. The Aggie Spirit is an all-encompassing feeling that makes Texas

A&M the unique and special university that it is, and who better to portray the Spirit of Aggieland than a yell leader. A yell leader must also be able to be a representative of all Aggies in everything that they do. I encourage everyone to think about electing a yell leader who they would like to represent them and Aggieland.

It comes down to this — I am running for junior yell because I want to be the yell leader that personifies Aggie Spirit; I want to be the yell leader who represents the entire student body; I want to be the yell leader who people can look at and see character and integrity in all of their actions; but most of all, I want to be the yell leader who serves the student body to help to continue this special Fightin' Texas Aggie Spirit. Thanks and gig 'em!