



District Leader

Biographical Information

Candidate's Name: **Jonathan Yu**

Candidate's Office: **District Director** District Number: **46**

Toastmasters member since: **2001**

Education:

B.S. Cornell University, 1998

Toastmasters offices held and terms of service:

**Held offices in each office role in various times since 2002
District 46 Area Governor 2012-13; District 46 Division Governor 2013-15; District 46 Pathways
Guide/Ambassador 2018; District 119 Club New Source Resource Chair 2021-22; District 119 Finance
Manager 2022-24; District 119 Club Growth Director 2024-25; District 119 Program Quality Director 2025-26**

Toastmasters honors and recognition:

3-time Distinguished Toastmasters (2014, 2016, 2022). District 119 Service Award 2022

Relevant work experience and how it relates to Toastmasters and your role as a District leader:

As a business actuary, my job requires technical presentation skills and good organization skills. My job is also detail oriented, which is important for my Toastmaster roles of Finance Manager and Club Realignment Chair (Districts 46 and 119). The importance of project management in my job also relates to my work as Program Quality Director

What experience do you have in strategic planning?

Roles as Division and Area Governors as well as being one of the Distinct Trio in the last 2 years. District and Club Success Plans are important for strategic planning. My job also involves in provide strategies on profitable (insurance) lines business to focus on.

What experience do you have in the area of finance?

Finance manager 2022-24 and long time treasurer for 2 Broadway Club. Experience in Finance as a pricing actuary in an insurance company.

What experience do you have in developing procedures?

Being Finance Manager and realignment chair, rule has to set up to have a balance book/club and area alignment. Working with the TLI team and district chief judge as the PQD also enhance my experience.

What lessons did you learn from previous leadership positions?

Good listening skill. Make realistic goals and have good interpersonal skill that build trust to other members.

Why do you want to serve as a District leader?

To contribute the District after being a long time members and build trust from other District Leaders from my work.

In your opinion, what are the District mission's major objectives and how would you work to achieve them?

To build new clubs and support existing clubs. The District Trio would work with a team that is enthusiastic about club growth and club quality. I believe people who are invested to their personal development through Toastmasters would enhance club quality.

Additional information about yourself:

I am a numbers person who has expertise in Excel. Proficient in Zoom as frequent Zoom master for club and district events.