



Dear Utah Boys State Citizen,

January 25, 2023

Congratulations, you have been accepted to The American Legion's premier youth program. Boys State is recognized worldwide as a leader in civics education and character building. It truly is a once in a lifetime opportunity. Graduates of the Boys State program join an elite alumnus of upwardly mobile, civically engaged, productive citizens.

Utah Boys State offers a forum in **Citizenship, Self-Government, and Public Service**. All study materials are provided by Utah Boys State, including all materials for three Semester Hours of 2920 Political Sciences university credit which you will receive upon graduation.

The 2023 session will be held on the campus of Weber State University (WSU), Ogden, Utah the week of June 11th through June 16th. Please arrive on campus **the Stewart Wasatch Dorm located at 1375 Village Loop Rd., Ogden, Utah** by 4:00 PM on Sunday June 11, 2023. Dinner will be at 6:00 PM in the Shepherd Union Building, 1st floor, and your first general assembly will be at 7:00 PM, Sunday, June 11, 2023, also in the Union Building. Once you are on campus and checked in, **you are NOT allowed to leave the university grounds** until after graduation. You will be notified by email with your city assignment prior to arrival. City assignments and political parties are made randomly and will not be changed.

Please bring the following (in order of importance):

- A GOOD AND POSITIVE ATTITUDE!
- Underwear, trousers, shoes, and socks for five days stay. Knee length shorts, cargo style is acceptable except for graduation. You will be given two Utah Boys State t-shirts to be worn during the week. Note: Sandals may be worn with socks, however shower shoes (Flip-flops) are not allowed other than in the dorm rest rooms/showers. You might also wish to bring a jacket in case the weather turns cold during your stay.
- Dress pants, dress shoes and socks for the graduation program. You will be given a boy's state polo shirt to wear at graduation. If you are in ROTC, please bring your cadet ROTC dress uniform for wear at flag ceremonies, not everyday use/wear.
- If you'd like to dress up (suit and tie) for campaigning, it's not required but you're welcome to bring a suit along.
- Towel and toilet articles necessary for one weeks stay.
- Weber State does **not provide** Bed linen or pillow. You may want to bring an extra blanket in case it gets cold. You're welcome to bring a light sleeping bag instead of linen.
- Athletic clothing. You will participate in organized sports activities on Tuesday, Wednesday & Thursday unless medical conditions preclude you from participating.
- For those who drive, we ask you to turn in your keys to your City Counselor for safe keeping for the week **"as you are not allowed to leave campus"** once registered.
- Some pocket money if you wish extra snacks and drinks. (Three {3} meals are served each day; cost is included in your fees paid.)

Graduation will be held on Friday June 16, 2023, at 11:00 a.m. in the Shepherd Union Building. Please invite your family and friends to join you at approximately 10:00 AM in celebrating your graduation. Thank you for making a very good decision to participate in Utah Boys State, we look forward to meeting you on campus. Please monitor your email regularly, we will notify you of any changes that we determine you need to know about. Additional information and answers to questions can be found at www.utahboysstate.org/FAQS.

Sincerely
Doug Case

Doug Case, President
The American Legion Department of Utah Boys State

American Legion Utah Boys State Corporation, Administrative Policies & Procedures

1. Behavioral Issues:

The American Legion Utah Boys State program was organized by The American Legion to enhance High School civics instruction. The American Legion Utah Boys State (ALUBS) curriculum in partnership with Weber State University and additional supporting entities is sponsored to facilitate student civic learning. We are guests on the Weber State University Campus and must be respectful of the campus rules, and protocols, as well as the students, faculty, and staff. To ensure a safe, hazing free and productive learning environment, students, counselors, and staff are expected to be proactive, considerate, and respectful. Good conduct always expected in all places and activities during the program week.

The Utah Boys State program maintains a **ZERO TOLERANCE POLICY** regarding actions that may compromise safety or student learning. Alleged incidents that violate The American Legion Utah Boys State or The Weber State University rules or compromise safety are subject to review by the ALUBS Executive Director/President or designee and may be subject to law enforcement investigation. **All** substantiated infractions will potentially result in termination of ALUBS participation and expulsion from the program, forfeiture of ALUBS graduation, academic credit and/or tuition refund. Student parent/guardian of record listed on the student application will be notified of events pertinent to student status or discipline. See clause 5 below for appeals process.

2. Academic Credit:

Each student citizen or staff member who completes all requirements for graduation as outlined in the Utah Boys State curriculum may expect to be awarded three (3) semester hours of 2920 political science credit by Weber State University. The college credit is officially recognized as an elective, it does not translate into a general education equivalent. Cost of this credit for staff/counselors is \$35.00 payable to Weber State University separately.

3. **Graduation Credit:**

Each Student Citizen who successfully fulfills all requirements for graduation as outlined in the Utah Boys State curriculum may expect to receive a graduation certificate, as well as a certificate for each office he is elected or appointed to during the program week. See clause 5 below for appeals process.

4. **Refunds:**

Refund of tuition fees may be provided only upon receipt of **written** justification which may include a death in the student citizen's immediate family, illness of the student citizen or other similar incident as approved by the ALUBS Executive Director/President **prior to program start date**. There shall be no refund (full or partial) of student tuition once the student's application has been received and processed. See clause 5 below for appeals process.

5. **Appeals Process:**

Appeal requests of disciplinary decisions made by the ALUBS Executive Director/President, citing justification for appeal request must be submitted within sixty (60) days of the disciplinary findings. Appeal request should be submitted to:

Commander, American Legion Department of Utah

Utah State Capitol Building

350 North State St, Suite 80, P. O. Box 148000

Salt Lake City, Utah 84114-8000

Appeal decisions rendered by the Department Executive Committee of The American Legion, Department of Utah shall be in accordance with the Constitution of The American Legion Department of Utah and shall be final.