Dear Utah Boys State Citizen, January 2026

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, and 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 cost of the college credit is included in your tuition fee, i.e. no extra cost to you.

The 2026 session will be held on the campus of Weber State University (WSU), Ogden, Utah the week of June 7th through June 13th. Please arrive on campus at *the Stewart Wasatch Dorm located at 1375 Village Loop Rd., Ogden, Utah.* Check-in will start at 4:00 PM on Sunday June 7, 2026. A welcome reception will be held at 6:00 PM in the Shepherd Union Building, a 10-minute walk north of the dorm area, where light hors d'oeuvres will be served. Your parents are welcome and encouraged to attend. 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 a six day stay. Knee-length shorts, cargo style are acceptable except for graduation. You will be given two Utah Boys State T-shirts, one long sleeve and one short sleeve to wear during the week. Note: Additional shirts will be available for purchase while you are attending Boys State. **(**See the end of this document.**)** Sandals may be worn with socks; however, flip-flops are not allowed other than in the dorm restroom/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 Utah Boy's State polo shirt to wear at graduation. If you are in JROTC, please bring your cadet JROTC dress uniform to wear at flag ceremonies, not for any other use/wear.
- No suits and/or shirt and tie will be allowed for any reason during the week.
- Bath towel(s) and toilet articles necessary for one week's stay. (Toothbrush, toothpaste, deodorant, shaving gear etc.)
- Weber State does not provide bed linen or pillows. 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. Bed size is twin XL.
- 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 checked in.
- Some pocket money if you wish to purchase extra snacks and drinks. (Three {3} meals are served each day; cost is included in your fees paid.)
- Watch your email for notices including any updates or changes as well as opportunities to place orders for items that will be available for purchase at our UBS store. To see a list of items and their prices in our store go to the end of this document.

Graduation will be held on Saturday June 13, 2026, at 11:00 AM in the Shepherd Union Building. Please invite your family and friends to join you at approximately 10:00 AM to celebrate your graduation. Thank you for making the good decision to participate in Utah Boys State. We look forward to meeting you on campus. Please monitor your email regularly as 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.

As participants in the Utah Boys State program, all students, counselors, and staff are reminded that we are guests on the Weber State University campus. It is essential that everyone demonstrate respect for university rules and protocols, as well as for the students, faculty, and staff who share the campus environment with us.

To foster a safe, hazing-free, and productive learning environment, each member of our community is expected to act proactively, always showing consideration and respect toward others. This commitment to good conduct applies in all places and during all activities throughout the program week. By upholding these standards, we contribute to a positive experience for all and reflect the values of the American Legion Utah Boys State program.

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 Director and/or 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. College credit is officially recognized as an elective; it does not translate into a general education equivalent.

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 recognition for each office he is elected or appointed to during the program week. See clause 5 below for appeals process.

3. **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 Director or 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 www.utahboysstate.org/FAQS for refund information. Also see clause 5 below for appeals process.

4. **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.

UBS Store

Note, many if not all these items will need to be ordered ahead of time. The deadline for ordering will be **midnight May 10, 2026**

Items:	Costs:
Short sleeve T-shirt	$15.00 each
Long sleeve T-shirt	$25.00 each
Navy blue polo shirt	$30.00 each
Boys State Hoodie	$45.00 each
Navy blue polo shirt (women's)	$30.00 each
Boys State throw blankets	$25.00 each
Boys State Honor Cords	$15.00 each

Additional items may be added to the store and will be displayed on the ordering form.

Deadline for ordering May 10, 2026

ORDER HERE

Payment for preordered items must be made with credit or debit card and are due when you arrive on June 7, 2026.