

2026 AMERICAN LEGION BOYS' STATE COUNTY/SCHOOL CERTIFICATIONS

Candidate Name _____

Alternate _____ **Delegate** _____
_____ **COUNTY**

Signature of County Chairman _____

County Chairman (Print Name) _____

E-Mail Address _____

Phone Number _____

I hereby certify that the above applicant is a Junior in High School, has at least an 80% or "B" average, has at least one semester remaining at his high school and has developed leadership in his high school activities. **No Seniors or Sophomores will be accepted at Boys' State.**

Signature of School Official _____

Name of High School _____

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No. _____

Boys' State City _____

Boys' State County _____

Replacement _____ (Y/N)

Date Posted _____ / _____ / _____

Cancelled _____

Reason _____

Date _____ / _____ / _____

NAME _____

THIS PAGE MUST BE NOTARIZED

COMMITMENT STATEMENT
READ COMPLETELY BEFORE SIGNING

- I. I will be at SUNY Morrisville before 1:00 pm, June 27, 2026, except in the event of an extreme emergency at home.
- II. I understand I am a guest of the American Legion and, as such, will obey the rules of Boys' State. I will read the Boys' State handbook, and I will make every attempt to speak to a former Boy Stater and/or Legionnaire before arrival to learn more about the program.
- III. I will devote a portion of my daily routine to the physical fitness and athletic activities of Boys' State and will take a serious and conscientious interest in the discharge of my duties as a citizen of Boys' State.
- IV. I will take an active part in the affairs of the party in the City and County to which I am assigned and, if elected to office, will serve to the best of my ability.
- V. I will respect the judgment of the Counselors, Directors, and Advisors and understand that the Board of Directors reserves the right to accept or reject any application for membership in Boys' State.
- VI. I will not participate in any illegal or prohibited activities while at Boys' State.
- VII. I will write to my folks at home at least twice during the program and will make a formal report, either written or oral, to my sponsor on my return home.

ARE YOU STILL INTERESTED IN ATTENDING BOYS' STATE????? – PLEASE SIGN BELOW

I, _____ (*Name of candidate*), acknowledge that I have been selected to represent my school, County, and American Legion Post in the 2026 Boys' State program. I am aware that the program will run from June 27, 2026, through July 2, 2026, and that I have no prior commitments that will hinder me from attending on these dates. I am also aware that I am obligated to complete the entire program and attend the Final Assembly in order to be a bona fide graduate of American Legion Boys' State. If I do not arrive on June 27, 2026, or do not complete the program, I am aware that my parents or I may be asked to reimburse the sponsoring Post or County for the cost of my tuition. In addition, I acknowledge that Boys' State prohibits any electronics. If I choose to have these items against Boys' State policy, they will be collected upon my arrival. Cell phones will be allowed. They must be turned off during the assemblies/classes. Cell phones may only be used at designated times. If any items are lost or stolen, the American Legion will not be responsible for them, and I will receive no reimbursement for these items. I also consent to have my photograph taken for the yearbook and other activities during my stay at the American Legion Boys' State of New York, Inc.

Candidate Signature _____

Parent/Guardian Signature _____

State of New York _____)
County of _____)
} ss.: _____

On the _____ day of _____, in the year 20____, before me, the undersigned, a Notary Public in and for said State, personally appeared _____ and _____
(Name of Candidate) _____ (Name of Parent/Guardian)
personally known to me or proven to me on the basis of satisfactory evidence to be the individual(s) whose name(s) is (are) subscribed to the within instrument and acknowledged to me that he/she/they executed the same in his/her/their capacities, and by his/her their signature(s) on the instrument, the individual(s), or persons on behalf of which the individual(s) acted, executed the instrument.

Notary Public