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## Boys State of Virginia, Inc.

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Boys State Delegate:

I personally want to congratulate you on the honor, which you recently received to represent your school at the **2016 AMERICAN LEGION BOYS STATE OF VIRGINIA PROGRAM**. You will find this opportunity an exciting adventure as you study government at the state and local levels; participate in varied recreational and extracurricular activities; live, work and associate with other outstanding young men, instructors and counselors representing practically every city and county in the Commonwealth of Virginia. This program will be conducted at Radford University in Radford, VA, June 19-25, 2016.

Enclosed is a copy of the **BASIC RULES AND REGULATIONS** relating to the Boys State Program. I urge you to read these carefully and if you agree to observe them in their **ENTIRETY**, you should sign the pledge at the bottom of the page and present it when you arrive on Sunday, June 19, 2016. Your execution and return of this pledge is a requirement of your acceptance to the program.

We require every delegate of Virginia State Boys State to have a physical prior to participating in the program. If you have had a physical within 12 months prior to Virginia Boys State for Boys Scouts, high school athletics, etc., you can use it for Virginia Boys State. For the 2016 session each delegate should have had a physical between June 2015 and June 2016. This medical certification must be present upon your arrival at Boys State during the registration process. In addition to this, **YOU MUST ATTACH A COPY OF YOUR PARENT'S OR GUARDIAN'S HEALTH BENEFITS INSURANCE IDENTIFICATION CARD. Boys State will provide SECONDARY ACCIDENT AND HEALTH INSURANCE.**

### YOU WILL NEED TO BRING THE FOLLOWING ITEMS:

Navy Blue walking shorts (2 pr. Minimum). **NO OTHER COLOR (no denim or cut offs)**

Underwear and white socks; Sweater or Jacket

Bed Linen – single bed; Pillow; Blanket, Towels, Toilet articles

Musical Instruments – if you plan to be a member of the Boys State Band

Refillable Water Bottle

Athletic Equipment (softball, football, basketball, tennis, soccer and table tennis)

**Boys State will provide two (2) T-shirts, lodging and meals.** (Extra T-shirts will be available for purchase at the time of registration.)

Prior to the start of the program, telephone numbers will be published on the Virginia Boys State web site ([www.vaboysstate.org](http://www.vaboysstate.org)). These numbers, along with other contact information, will be posted well in advance of your arrival at Boys State. This website will also provide you with an overview of the program.

The amount of money you may wish to bring should be a small amount. The average is \$25.00. This will enable you to purchase a city picture or donate money for your city's party on Friday night.

Your parents are welcome to visit during the Friday night program. The program hours are 5:00 p.m.-10:00 p.m. During their visit they are welcome to eat with you, and enjoy the band concert and parade. There are a number of motels/hotels in the area for them to stay overnight. Graduation from the program will occur on Saturday morning and the program will end at 11:30 a.m. The cafeteria will be open for the Delegates and parents who would like to eat lunch prior to leaving.

**YOU ARE REQUIRED TO ARRIVE BETWEEN THE HOURS OF 12 NOON AND 3:00 P.M. ON SUNDAY, JUNE 19, AND STAY THE ENTIRE WEEK. IF YOU ARE UNABLE TO ATTEND THE ENTIRE WEEK, PLEASE CONTACT THE SPONSORING AMERICAN LEGION POST WHO WILL MAKE ARRANGEMENTS FOR YOUR ALTERNATE TO ATTEND.**

**Please note that the only person who can authorize late arrivals or early departures from the program is the Director of American Legion Boys State. No one else may do so. The Director will only authorize late arrivals or early departures due to emergency situations.**

Again, I extend my congratulations for the honor you have received to attend the American Legion Boys State Program. I look forward to meeting you and I am sure you will find this an outstanding educational program and a program that is most rewarding.

Sincerely,

Gerald Rhoads

Director

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