



ANNOUNCING THE 2023 SESSIONS



JUNE 24 - JULY 1, 2023

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www.moboystate.org

www.missourigirlsstate.org

QUALIFICATIONS

Young men and women who exhibit high standards of leadership, character, scholarship and citizenship are considered for participation in Boys State and ALA Girls State. Students are required to participate in the full eight-day program. Selection qualifications include:

- Must be between the ages of 15 and 19 by June 24, 2023.
- Must have successfully completed their junior year in a Missouri high school.
- Must be endorsed by the high school principal or the high school principal's designee.

WHO ATTENDS?



Outstanding leaders nominated by their high schools from all different types of groups: Honor Roll, A+ Program, Foreign Language Clubs, National Honor Society/Beta, Athletics, Band, Student Council, FBLA, Choir, Class Officer/Student Body, FCA, Boy Scouts, Girl Scouts, Scholar/Quiz Bowl, FFA, Speech and Debate, Theatre, 4-H, College Bound Program, FCCLA, JROTC, Church Youth Group, and many more clubs and activities where you are a leader.

HOW TO APPLY

- Complete an online application on our websites.
- Let your counselor know you are interested in participating and follow the nomination process established by your high school.
- You will be notified by Missouri Boys State or ALA Missouri Girls State when you are accepted.
- Save the dates of June 24th through July 1st and watch your email.

PROGRAM COST

Missouri Boys State and ALA Missouri Girls State are FREE to you! We just need your 100% commitment and we'll do the rest. That includes locating a sponsor to underwrite the \$500 per student program cost which covers all educational materials, conference expenses, food and lodging for the week. You and your family are not allowed to pay for your participation in these programs. We'll find an American Legion Post, American Legion Auxiliary Unit, business, civic group, school or individual to sponsor you. And, we'll notify you when you've been accepted.

For more information, check out social media, our websites or contact our Headquarters
Missouri Boys State: 660-429-2761
ALA Missouri Girls State: 628-252-6471

**EARLY DECISION APPLICATION
DEADLINE January 15, 2023**

FINAL APPLICATION DEADLINE March 15, 2023



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THE PROGRAMS



The American Legion Auxiliary Girls State and The American Legion Boys State of Missouri are a FUN and EXCITING way to compete with the best and brightest high school students in Missouri. It's an opportunity to learn new leadership and citizenship skills through an interactive, hands-on approach. We're planning an EPIC EVENT for nearly 1,600 students in 2023. We want YOU to participate the week of June 24th – July 1st at Lindenwood University. You will:

- **Learn to** govern at the city, county, and state levels.
- **Understand** your rights and responsibilities as a citizen.
- **Gain access** to over \$2,000,000 in scholarships from nearly 30 universities.
- **Become eligible** for 2 or 3 hours of transferable university credit in Political Science.
- **Engage** with professionals who will become your mentors and personal references.
- **Hear** from dynamic speakers.
- **Boost** your academic resume.
- **Make** lifelong friends.

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SCHOOLS OF INSTRUCTION

The programs offer outstanding Schools of Instruction. You will learn the fundamentals in several areas of study that will help you be successful at our programs. You'll learn from accomplished professionals, many who are Boys State and ALA Girls State Alumni, who will share their expertise at a level not available in your high school. Areas of study include:

- Campaigning and Political Operations
- Commerce
- Education
- International Affairs
- Journalism and Media
- Law
- Law Enforcement
- Legislative and Executive Policy
- Local Government and Policy



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Be part of the biggest, best and most exciting leadership programs ever. Throughout the week, you could serve in many different positions such as Mayor, City Council member, County Commissioner, Representative, Senator, or even Governor. Or perhaps you will become a lawyer, judge, TV news broadcaster, newspaper reporter, Highway Patrol officer, business owner or serve in the Governor's cabinet. It's up to you. Plan to get involved early in the week and take advantage of every opportunity.

Boys State and ALA Girls State are run by YOU the citizens. Get ready for eight days full of the most fun you've ever had learning!

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