

I hope your school year is off to a great start, I wanted to ensure you saw this amazing opportunity for your juniors:

The 85<sup>th</sup> Session of Hoosier Boys State will be held on the campus of Trine University in Angola, Indiana from Sunday, June 16<sup>th</sup> to Saturday, June 22, 2024. The American Legion Hoosier Boys State is truly "*A Week to Shape a Lifetime*" and it is my hope your students will apply. **This program is ideal for your student leaders, especially members of your Student Council and looks great on college applications.**

Each summer, rising seniors from throughout the state of Indiana participate in The American Legion's Hoosier Boys State where they construct a mock state government, learn about civics, leadership, and citizenship while competing for more than \$13,000.00 in scholarships (merit and need-based). Additionally, two students are selected to attend The American Legion's Boys Nation the following month in Washington, DC where more than \$20,000.00 in additional scholarships are awarded.

The application for Hoosier Boys State will open on October 1st and our program is free (dorm room and all meals are provided). We have simplified our application process from previous years, once a student applies, they designate a school representative that is able to certify their standing at your school electronically (no further need for paper forms)—**less than a five-minute time burden for your staff.**

Once the application opens, feel free to encourage as many students as are interested in attending to apply at [www.HoosierBoysState.org](http://www.HoosierBoysState.org) that you believe would represent your school well.

Finally, your female rising seniors are eligible to attend The American Legion Auxiliary's Hoosier Girls State—for more information please visit their website at <https://www.alahgs.org/>.

If you have any questions at all, please email us at [Info@HoosierBoysState.org](mailto:Info@HoosierBoysState.org).