



AMERICAN LEGION JERSEY BOYS STATE

"A WEEK THAT SHAPES THE FUTURE"

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104 Burlington County Rising-Seniors Attend American Legion Jersey Boys State

More than 325 New Jersey Communities Represented

LAWRENCEVILLE, NJ – Today, 104 rising-seniors in high schools from Burlington County arrived at the 68th session of American Legion Jersey Boys State (ALJBS) at Rider University in Lawrenceville, NJ. The program, sponsored by the American Legion Department of New Jersey, is a practical approach for teaching civics and government at the local, county and state level, including party politics.

“This week will shape the future for 967 young leaders at Jersey Boys State,” said David Bagatelle, Director of ALJBS. “Just ask Governor Chris Christie, Senator Robert Menendez, or Mayor Cory Booker, all of whom, attended this program when they were in high school.”

Statesmen will have the opportunity to govern and interact with other top-of-the-class peers from across New Jersey as they run their own mythical 51st state of the union from June 16-21. Within 24 hours each city will divide into political parties, elect a mayor and council from within their ranks. By the end of the session, statesmen will have filled the ranks of local, county, state governments, municipal courts and will elect two senators to serve at American Legion Boys Nation in Washington, D.C. later this summer.

Throughout the week-long program, statesmen are:

- Hearing from notable speakers including US Senate candidate and Newark Mayor Cory Booker, Congressman Leonard Lance, and NJ Assemblyman Herbert Conaway, Jr.
- Participating in a robust college fair featuring top national universities;
- Attending leadership seminars and training by United States Marine Corps and New Jersey State Police;
- Electing the 68th ALJBS Governor; and
- Electing two Boys Nation Senators who will represent New Jersey at the annual American Legion Jersey Boys Nation program in Washington D.C., from July 19-26, 2013.

Statesmen in Attendance (Alphabetical by Name)

Benjamin Aloï, Burlington, Legion Post #489

Tyler Babik, Medford, Legion Post #526

David Bacho, Cinnaminson, Legion Post #146

Harrison Ball, Cinnaminson, Legion Post #156

Neal Baranosky, Wrightstown, Legion Post #26

Jake Barnes, Cinnaminson, Legion Post #156

Eric Baumhauer, Cinnaminson, Legion Post #156

Christopher Bellanova, Allentown, Legion Post #26

Christopher Biehn, Medford, Legion Post #526

William Blakeslee, Bordentown, Legion Post #39

Evan Bokma, Yardville, Legion Post #26

Kadin Booker, Burlington, Legion Post #336

Dalton Brauckmann, Cinnaminson, Legion Post #156

Quinton Burgess, Burlington, Legion Post #336

James Burns, Moorestown, Legion Post #42
Quinn Carcanague, Edgewater Park, Legion Post #336
Denny Chung, Delran, Legion Post #146
Nicholas Cicchino, Browns Mills, Legion Post #294
Nicholas Contarino, Moorestown, Legion Post #42
Christopher Contiliano, Lumberton, Legion Post #11
Jarret Crawford, Burlington, Legion Post #79
Cearious Csizmadia, Bordentown, Legion Post #26
Joseph Daly, Florence, Legion Post #194
Malcolm-ali Davis, Egg Harbor City, Legion Post #509
Louis Deluca, Cinnaminson, Legion Post #156
Johann Diaz, Bordentown, Legion Post #39
Shane Douglas, Marlton, Legion Post #526
Patrick Duffy, Cinnaminson, Legion Post #146
George Elia, Moorestown, Legion Post #42
Miguel anton Faigal, Mcguire Afb, Legion Post #26
Nicholas Falcone, Cinnaminson, Legion Post #146
Devin Farrell, Brownmills, Legion Post #11
Thomas Flanagan, Delran, Legion Post #146
Montel Floyd, Burlington, Legion Post #489
Kyle Flynn, Westampton, Legion Post #86
Jayden Fries, Shamong, Legion Post #526
Justin Gross, Lumberton, Legion Post #11
Aaron Guidarelli, Burlington, Legion Post #79
Thomas Haines, Pemberton, Legion Post #294
Kevin Harris, Moorestown, Legion Post #156
William Harris, Chesterfield, Legion Post #26
Jacob Haulenbeck, Fieldsboro, Legion Post #26
Gareth Haynes, Burlington, Legion Post #79
Kevin Hernando, Beverly, Legion Post #156
Grant Hill, Bordentown, Legion Post #26
Nijewel Holliday, Burlington, Legion Post #489
Tristan Holman, Burlington, Legion Post #146
Percelle Howell, Pemberton, Legion Post #294
Gary Jackson, Willingboro, Legion Post #79
Andrew Jones, Bordentown, Legion Post #26
Kyle Kafer, Bordentown, Legion Post #26
Luke Kasper, Westhampton, Legion Post #509
Justin Kerr, Bordentown, Legion Post #26
George King, Palmyra, Legion Post #156
Sankeerth Kondapalli, Marlton, Legion Post #526
Luke Kringler, Marlton, Legion Post #129
Amaron Lahijani, Marlton, Legion Post #526
Quadri Lasis, Burlington, Legion Post #489
Matthew Laude, Browns Mills, Legion Post #294
Pedro Leao, Burlington, Legion Post #79
Cody Levasseur, Bordentown, Legion Post #26
Joseph Lynn, Medford, Legion Post #526
Steven Magown, Westampton, Legion Post #11
Robert Manley, Burlington, Legion Post #336
Matthew Miller, Palmyra, Legion Post #79
Spencer Mizerak, Chesterfield, Legion Post #26
James Mongiardo, Westampton, Legion Post #156
Jonathan Montesdeoca, Columbus, Legion Post #26
Connor Muli, Medford, Legion Post #526
Kevin Mullin, Moorestown, Legion Post #42
Ryan Neidich, Burlington Township, Legion Post #489
Chukwuma Nwagbaraji, Florence, Legion Post #156
Brendan OConnor, Medford, Legion Post #26
Joseph Oswald, Browns Mills, Legion Post #294
Zachary Ozalis, Palmyra, Legion Post #156

Jason Peterson, Westampton, Legion Post #79
Richard Phillips , Bordentown, Legion Post #26
Nicholas Poaletti, Moorestown, Legion Post #42
Christopher Popso, Florence, Legion Post #194
Nicholas Reynolds, Florence, Legion Post #194
Jasper Rollins, Marlton, Legion Post #526
Gregory Rothman, Moorestown, Legion Post #42
Nathaniel Rozanski, Southampton, Legion Post #526
Tyler Sapp, Columbus, Legion Post #26
Jason Seaman, Bordentown, Legion Post #26
Riley Shaw, Delran, Legion Post #146
Nicholas Slawinski, Riverside, Legion Post #146
Andrew Sneed, Lumberton, Legion Post #146
Simeon Spencer, Florence, Legion Post #194
Brandon Stahl, Eastampton, Legion Post #11
Joshua Stoner, Roebing, Legion Post #39
Nicholas Stovall-kurtz, Roebing, Legion Post #39
Grant Tamutus, Yardville, Legion Post #26
Mark Tattory, Delran, Legion Post #146
Kevin Thomas, Willingboro, Legion Post #79
Michael Thompson, Browns Mills, Legion Post #294
Connor Trespalacios, Riverside, Legion Post #146
Shawn Tuman, Shamong, Legion Post #526
Nicholas Venezia, Chesterfield, Legion Post #26
Joseph Verratti, Delran, Legion Post #146
Jeffrey Waldin, Moorestown, Legion Post #42
Zachariah Wenig, Riverton, Legion Post #156
Timothy Williams, Columbus, Legion Post #294
Jay Yang, Cherry Hill, Legion Post #156

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About American Legion Jersey Boys State (ALJBS)

In its 68th year, ALJBS is a week-long experience that educates, trains, and inspires New Jersey's youth so that each statesman may become a lifelong leader of character committed to service, respect, and Americanism. ALJBS is a college-level seminar that teaches citizenship, politics, and leadership to more than 1,000 rising-seniors in high school. ALJBS is among the most respected and selective educational programs of its kind in the country. All expenses are typically donated by a sponsoring American Legion Post, a local business, or a community-based organization. To learn more, please visit aljbs.org.