A week that shapes a lifetime...

Boys State is a weeklong government simulation where participants are citizens in a mock 51st state. Throughout the week, attendees learn how the American political system works by participating in their own primaries, elections and assemblies.

In addition to participating in the mock government, attendees learn valuable leadership skills and participate in a wide variety of developmental opportunities.

During the week, students gain first hand experience by:
- Campaigning for elected office
- Running the three branches of government
- Competing for nearly $20,000 in scholarships
- Meeting other talented students from around the state.
- Participate in intramural sports and other activities like band, broadcasting and lobbying.

Who is Eligible?

Any male student who has completed his Junior and have one or more semesters in high school to complete is encouraged to attend Boys State.

For more information or to register, contact your local American Legion Post:

www.illinoisboysstate.org