

# MORE INFO

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The week is spent at Boys State was undoubtedly one of the most unique and important experiences of my life. My fallow citizens were all extremely dedicated and passionate about the activities of the week, and still managed to share many laughs and good times.

- Alex O., Radnor H.S., KBS graduate

# HOW TO ATTEND

To be nominated to Keystone Boys State, contact your school guidance counselor, coach, GATE or NHS sponsor, your local American Legion Post or the PA American Legion HQ. You must also submit an application through the KBS website (www.paboysstate.org) and have the support of a sponsoring American Legion Post.

Keystone Boys State 2019 application: (www.paboysstate.org)



American Legion Post locator: (blt.ly/ALPostLocator)



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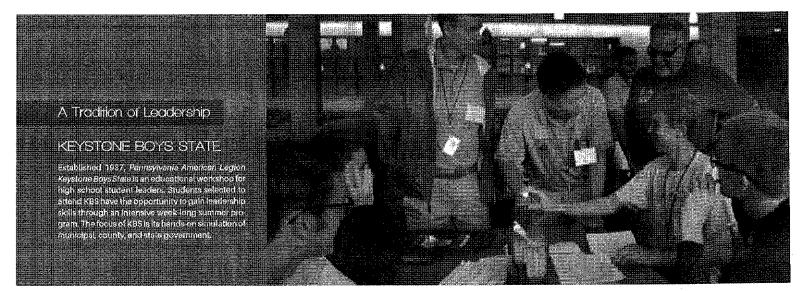
JUNE 16 - 22, 2019

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#### LEADERSHIP TRAINING

Participants learn to be a better leader by "learning-by-doing" as part of a group of 20-30 other young men from across Pennsylvania. This active learning is enhanced by guidance from counselors and members of the American Legion.



### CIVICS EXPERIENCE

Participants are organized into "cities" in the simulated "51st State of Keystone." Participants run for state and local office and work together to develop solutions to the challenging political, social, and economic problems facing our state.



KBS is an intensive, in-depth, and hands-on course in leadership.

#### PROGRAM OVERVIEW

The core of KBS is an In-depth simulation of state and local government in Pennsylvania, in which participants conduct the operations of city, county, and state government. As part of two mock political parties, participants vie for office and work to pass legislation to overcome political, economic, and social challenges. They also have opportunities to establish and operate businesses and run an active television and print media enterprise.

At every stage of the week, KBS participants—not KBS staff—take the lead, electing their own leaders and determining as a group what they want to achieve and how they will achieve it.

#### **KEY FACTS**

Time & Place: June 16 - 22, 2019 at Shippensburg University Eligibility: High school students who have completed their junior year and have at least one semester remaining before graduation. Cost: The week's tuition is paid by an American Legion Post

# // BENEFITS OF KBS

- Highly valued on college applications; opportunity to earn college credit
- 20% of first-year students at military academies are Boys or Girls State graduates
- Acquire skills that provide focus and a leadership base for your senior year
- Develop a working understanding of state and local government
- Be part of a talented team of peers working to achieve goals
  - Meet state representatives and senators in Harrisburg

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