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Subj: 2022 AMERICAN LEGION BOYS STATE PROGRAM AFTER ACTION REPORT

Positions Elected:

Jacob Fordham - Press Corps Newspaper Journalist, Illuminati President.
Will Kennedy - Chief of Police Commander Point, Sheriff Space Force County,
State Assembly.
Leonid Terekhov - Member of Senate Forum
Phoenix Cumpstone - City Attorney, County Attorney, House of Representatives,
Public Defender
William Hughes - House of Representatives
Michael Lowery - Laundry Man, House of Representatives
Cameron Lowery - Press Corps, Bugler
Bayan Mahmoodi - City Councilman, County Commissioner, State Senate, Rules and
Calendar Committee.
Scott Logan - Senate Forum Member, Postmaster, Nationalist Party Planning
Committee

ACCOMPLISHMENTS:

Jacob Fordham - Meaningful conversations, great experience
Will Kennedy - Bill, New Hope Scholarship, was signed into Law by the New
Governor. Awarded Best Bill in the Assembly. City received highest Test Score
Average for History Exam.
Leonid Terehov - Commander Point Academic Excellence Award, Awarded the Bob
and Gail Knight Scholarship.
Phoenix Cumpstone - Nationalist Party Attorney General Candidate
William Hughes - High Exam Score Parliamentary Procedure for Speaker of the
House, Nominee for Federalist County Attorney
Michael Lowery - Bill passed Senate with two Amendments
Cameron Lowery - Recognized as Press Corps Production Director for Daily Boys
State, Recognized as Boys State Bugler
Bayan Mahmoodi - Selected as BOYS NATION ALTERNATE
Scott Logan - Great experience

LIKES ABOUT BOYS STATE PROGRAM:

- **Fellow Delegates were well rounded academically, Staff were encouraging and easy to talk to, created friends that will stay with me forever.
- **Friendships and memories made, Legislative Process and getting to go to the FL Capitol Building.
- **More Fun than originally imagined or expected, Once in a lifetime opportunity. Learned valuable Life Skills such as teamwork, governmental procedures, and much wider view of Florida History. Speakers were fantastic.
- **People life experiences, made many friends, talking with Counselors and hearing wisdom and advice about different careers, Guest Speakers, sincerely appreciate the volunteers who dedicate their time and energy to make Boys State a success.
- **Experience is one I'll never forget. As Mr. Elliott said, 'A Week that Lasts a Lifetime'.
- **Incredible Learning Experience, how to lose an election with grace and gain confidence.
- **Teamwork, ability to easily make friends.
- **People, easy to bond with friends, positive attitude.
- **Friendships gained, learning how the State Legislature operates.

DISLIKES ABOUT BOYS STATE PROGRAM:

- **Very little time in Dorm to continue to discuss the Political Process
- **THE FOOD.
- **The Weather was HOT, THE FOOD, Having to leave Boys State-week ended way too quickly.
- **THE FOOD was tolerable, however, could be much better.
- **No issues, great week.
- **No issues, incredible learning experience.
- **Needed more time to organize and plan campaign.
- **Forgot to take notes during guest speakers speeches.
- **THE FOOD, No other issues.

SUGGESTIONS TO MAKE BOYS STATE BETTER:

- **Don't run in the morning-too hot, Emphasize what to bring to Boys State, Emphasize to bring Umbrella, Rain Jacket, One Dollar Bills and Quarters for Vending Machines.
- **Publish schedule and procedures for week at Boys State.
- **Put ban on Phone usage except for Photos, Video Speeches. A lot of Delegates were tied to their electronic devices which was distracting.
- **Improve FOOD Quality. Great experience.
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- **Do Not Go On A Morning Run-Too Hot!
- **Emphasize reading Manual several times prior to arrival at FSU.
- **Encourage Delegates to get out of their Comfort Zone.
- **Improve FOOD Quality. Encourage going online and read about Boys State.

OTHER COMMENTS:

**Thank you for allowing me the amazing opportunity to attend Boys State; a tremendous experience. Superb Staff.

**Best experience of my Life, made many lifelong friends and memories.

**I arrived at Boys State without any expectations and departed a different and more mature person. My entire city Delegates had tears of sadness about departing Boys State and tears of happiness from the knowledge that we created a second home in such a short time for each of us.

**Even though you might show up and feel nervous, recognize most everyone else feels the same way. Mr. Elliott advised all of us to greet everyone with 'Hello My Name Is' and it worked. Just be open and friendly to everyone.

**Great Week, thanks so much for the opportunity and experience of a Lifetime.

**I would like to become a Boys State Counselor (Michael Lowery)

**The Press Corps was the greatest as I had access to everywhere. I gained knowledge other Delegates did not have the opportunity. I stayed up until 2-3AM editing Videos and it didn't bother me to sacrifice sleep because I enjoyed it so much.

**I was expecting a Speech and Debate Week-Man was I wrong. Guest speakers were amazing. Some shared their personal stories. Forgot to take notes until a few days into the program. Positive Attitude all around.

**I absolutely loved Boys State. I will be recommending candidates to apply for next years Boys State. Great Experience.

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