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Pennsylvania American
Legion

Keystone Boys State



YOUTH ACTIVITIES

Keystone Boys State



- Leadership, Government & Civic Instruction
- Highly Participatory: Deeply Immersive
- 20,000 Annual Graduates Nationwide



Boys State Alumni



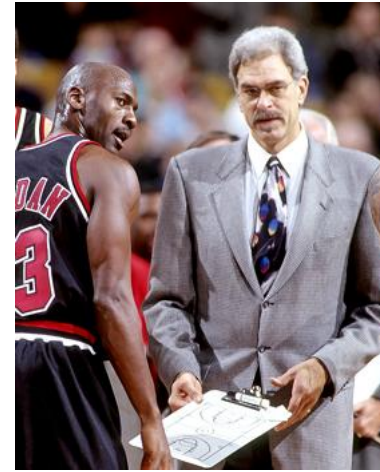
Neil Armstrong



Bill Gates



Samuel Alito



Phil Jackson



Bill Clinton



Jon Bon
Jovi



US Senator
McCormick *KBS



Jonathan W.
Greenert



Keystone Boys State



- College & Related Applications:
"Single Best Entry"
- Benefit Student, School & Family
- Citizenship, Americanism & Democracy

(Keystone Girls State operated by American Legion Auxiliary)



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As of 2025, the Samsung American Legion Scholarship has awarded more than \$7.6 million in college scholarships to 2,618 recipients since its inception in 1996.

Samsung scholarships may be used for undergraduate studies and applied toward tuition, books, fees and room and board. Winners are selected according to academic record, involvement in school and community service.

- 10 National Scholars receive \$10,000 each (2 from each region)
- 10 National Runners-Up receive \$5,000 each (2 from each region)
- Remaining Department (state) Finalists receive \$1,250 each guaranteed

source: www.Legion.org/get-involved/scholarships/samsung-american-legion-scholarship

- Citizen Peyton Markel, PA 2025
Recipient of
\$10,000





Keystone Boys State



- All interested 11th Grader Young Men can apply
- Legion Posts Pay Citizen's \$300 Tuition
 - Legislation
 - Tax & Revenue
- Citizens Hold All Officers & Positions:
 - Law Enforcement
 - Planning
 - Business
 - Operation
 - Media Interaction



Keystone Boys State



GOALS

- Know the System
- Never be a Victim
- KBS includes:
 - Hands-on, Immersive Environment
 - Leadership Development
 - Robert's Rules of Order
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Boys Nation



- Washington, DC: 8 Days in July
- Boys Nation Senate: Two per State
- Full Day with Home State Senator
- Visit POTUS, Memorial, Federal Facilities





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It's Still Up To YOU and ME!



Thank You!



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