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Welcome to Boys' State

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You are part of a long tradition stretching back over 60 years. Hundreds of Nevada's most prominent political and business leaders are graduates of the American Legion Nevada Boys' State program. Past Nevada Governors Mike O'Callaghan and Richard Bryan are NBS graduates. U.S. Senate Majority Leader Harry Reid and several current state legislators are proud Boys' State Alumni. You heard from several of these leaders during the week. Look around. Who among you will stand in their shoes ten or twenty years from now?

You have asked yourself many questions this week. It is a time for self exploration and thinking about what you value and what guides your actions. This program prepares you for challenges in your life that you really can't imagine from where you are at now. The mission of American Legion Nevada Boys' State is to develop future leaders by educating and inspiring Nevada's youth. In short, the NBS program is designed to bring out your leadership potential.

In addition to the core principal of leadership - and what it takes to be a leader - patriotism is another key focus of NBS. In a time when over 125,000 Americans are overseas, this is a point that is both appropriate and relevant. I want you to think about this for a moment. In generations past, to be "patriotic" meant something very specific. It was a label worn proudly and was almost a core expectation for being a citizen. It described a person's actions and values. In recent years, however, patriotism is not as popular as it used to be nor does it appear to have as clear of a meaning. The word "patriotism" - rightfully so - means different things to different people. During the week, you were asked to share your thoughts in many areas. As you move on from the program, have the courage to continue to state your opinions even if they are not popular, and have the maturity to truly listen to the views that are different from your own.

One area I want you to think about is "What does it mean to be patriotic?" Do not confuse this question with being conservative or liberal - those labels have nothing to do with it. Thank you for taking a week to join us, you will not regret your decision. You have the finest counseling staff ever assembled and a program that ranks in the top three nationally among Boys' State. Appreciate both of these, take the lessons you have learned back home to your schools and your life, and rise to the challenge.

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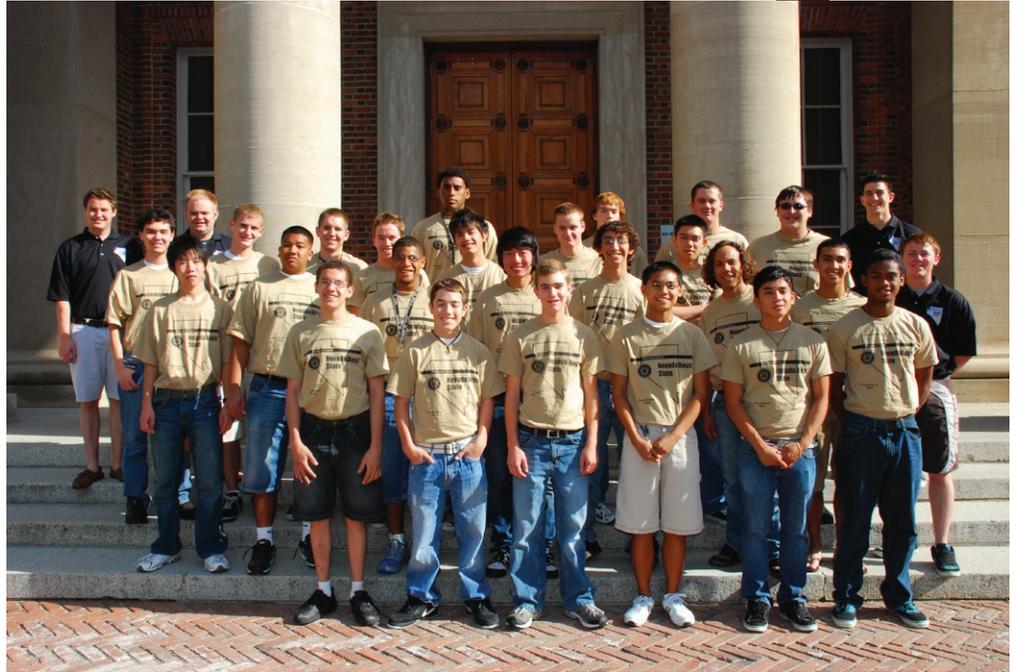
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