

Sponsorship

In order to ensure that all young leaders in Wisconsin have an equal opportunity to participate in Badger Boys State, there is no cost for participants. Badger Boys State also subsidizes bus expenses to ensure that transportation concerns do not prevent any young leader from attending.

This is only made possible by the generosity of our program sponsors. Typical sponsors include local American Legion posts, non-profits, businesses, and individuals who support our mission. Any organization or individual who can cover the \$400 sponsorship fee per student will be welcomed and appreciated as a sponsor of our program.

To become a sponsor, an organization or individual can send the \$400 payment, along with a completed Sponsorship Card, to the following address:

*Badger Boys State
P.O. Box 388
Portage, WI 53901*

If you would like to support our program, but are unable to cover the entire sponsorship fee, we would greatly appreciate a donation in any amount. Any gift can be made at badgerboysstate.org/donate, or in check or cash to the address listed above.

Thank you for your support of our program.

Contact Information

For more information, please visit our website: badgerboysstate.org.

Please also follow us on social media:

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For specific questions, please contact us by calling 608.745.1090 or emailing info@badgerboysstate.org. We would be happy to provide you with any information that would be helpful.



Badger Boys State
80th Session
June 11-17, 2023

UW-Eau Claire
Eau Claire, WI



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Department of Wisconsin

For more information, please visit:
badgerboysstate.org

A Week to Change a Lifetime

This upcoming June, Badger Boys State will be holding its 80th session. We are excited to welcome nearly 900 young leaders from across Wisconsin to the UW-Eau Claire campus and are working diligently to plan an impactful session.

Upon arriving at the 2023 session of Badger Boys State, participants will become citizens of one of 27 cities and one of 9 counties within Badger Boys State. Citizens are tasked with electing public officials at the city, county, and state levels and governing effectively throughout the session.

Through this process, young leaders not only learn the fundamentals of civics, but also develop the interpersonal skills and confidence necessary for the next generation of leaders to feel empowered to be leaders in their local communities. The next generation of leaders, just like any before them, have immense societal challenges to address, and our staff takes seriously our responsibility in helping young leaders develop the education and skills needed to make a positive impact.



All staff members of Badger Boys State serve on a volunteer basis. Our staff consists of leaders of many professions and from across the United States. Staff members take time away from their friends and families and time off from work to support the program and its mission each year.

Timeline

October 15, 2022

Sponsorship Cards are made available.

January 1, 2023

If possible, please submit the Sponsorship Card by January 1, 2023. This allows our administrative staff time to send registration information to school counselors by January 15, 2023.

Sponsors are accepted on a first-come, first-served basis. It is important to note that the earlier we receive a Sponsorship Card, the more easily we will be able to match each sponsor with a young leader from Wisconsin.

March 15, 2023

Young leaders who have been selected by their local community educators are asked to register by March 15, 2023. By this point in time, we hope to have matched all interested young leaders with sponsors.

We may have alternate students who will only be provided the opportunity to attend if we can secure more sponsorships. We aim to offer all interested young leaders the opportunity to participate in Badger Boys State, but this is only possible with the generous support of sponsors.

April-June, 2023

Leading up to the Badger Boys State session, young leaders will be asked to attend an online orientation, where they will learn more about the program from our staff and have an opportunity to ask any questions they have.

June 11, 2023

Young leaders will arrive at Badger Boys State ready to participate and excited for the week.

Eligibility

Any Wisconsin student who will complete their junior year of high school by June 11, 2023 will be eligible to attend Badger Boys State.

We encourage students of all backgrounds, identities, and socioeconomic status to attend Badger Boys State. Our selection process prioritizes fairness and equal opportunity. We strive to convene a group of participants that is representative of the state of Wisconsin.

Badger Boys State does not discriminate on the basis of age, race, disability, sexual orientation, national origin, handicap, creed, color, political affiliation, ancestry, or membership in the National Guard, state defense force, or any other reserve component of the military forces of the United States or Wisconsin.

School leaders, such as administrators, counselors, and teachers, should select students who have demonstrated leadership potential. Scholarship is important, but not paramount. A potential leader is not necessarily the best scholar. Students with varied backgrounds, identities, socioeconomic status, and academic performance have been successful citizens of Badger Boys State. Many students can thrive in our program, and our staff is committed to supporting every student. Every student will be an integral part of Badger Boys State.