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**DATES SET FOR 2011 ARKANSAS BOYS STATE**

March 19, 2011

The dates have been set for the 71<sup>st</sup> annual session of Arkansas Boys State. The session will be held May 29<sup>th</sup> – June 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2011 on the campus of the University of Central Arkansas in Conway.

Arkansas Boys State is sponsored by the American Legion Department of Arkansas. Boys State is for high school boys which are currently in their junior year. Boys State delegates represent the finest students in Arkansas and are leaders in their communities. Arkansas Boys State is a unique summertime educational program that does not emphasize classroom lectures and textbook learning. Instead, it focuses on participation and personal experience in a model state, complete with governing bodies and elected public officials. It is designed to mirror the structure and operation of its respective city, county and state governments.

At the conclusion of the session, two delegates are chosen to represent Arkansas at Boys Nation in Washington, D. C.

For further information, you may contact the local American Legion Post or your high school counselor. Monday night May 30<sup>th</sup>, is American Legion recognition night. All legionnaires are invited and encouraged to attend.

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