



MEMORANDUM NO. 2021-096

TO: School District Superintendents

> **High School Principals High School Counselors** High School Civic Teachers Scholarship Coordinators

FROM: Kari Eakins, Chief Policy Officer

DATE: August 16, 2021

SUBJECT: Call for Applicants: United States Senate Youth Program

2022 UNITED STATES SENATE YOUTH PROGRAM APPLICATION AVAILABLE

Applications are now being accepted for the United States Senate Youth Program, a unique educational experience and scholarship opportunity sponsored by the U.S. Senate for outstanding high school students who are interested in pursuing careers in public service.

Each year, two student leaders from each state, the District of Columbia and the Department of Defense Education Activity will spend a week in Washington experiencing national government in action. Student delegates will hear major policy addresses by Senators, cabinet members, officials from the Departments of State and Defense and directors of other federal agencies, as well as participate in meetings with the President and a justice of the U.S. Supreme Court. All transportation, hotel and meal expenses will be provided by The Hearst Foundations. In addition, each delegate will also be awarded a \$10,000 college scholarship for undergraduate studies, with encouragement to pursue coursework in history and political science.

A qualified applicant is a High school junior or senior who is actively serving in an elected or appointed capacity in student government, civic, or education organizations during the current 2021-22 academic school year. This includes students serving as:

1. Student body president, vice president, secretary, or treasurer;

- 2. Class president, vice president, secretary, or treasurer;
- 3. Student Council representative;
- 4. National Honor Society officer (including discipline-based Honor Societies such as the National English Society and Social Studies Honor Societies that include service components); or
- 5. Student representative (elected or appointed by a panel, commission, or board) to a local, district, regional, or state-level civic, service, and/or educational organization approved by the state selection administrator.

The program's 2022 application must be completed by October 16, 2021. Finalists will be selected and interviewed in early November. The top two interviewees will serve as the delegates from Wyoming for the United States Senate Youth Program, to be held March 5 – 12, 2022 in Washington, D.C.

To apply for the U.S. Senate Youth Program scholarship opportunity, click <u>here</u>.

For more information, visit the <u>Wyoming Department of Education website</u>, or contact Madison Lacey, Hathaway Scholarship Consultant, at 307-777-6840 or <u>madison.lacey@wyo.gov</u>.