



UNITED STATES SENATE
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Dear SBO Advisor/Scholarship Coordinator:

It is our pleasure to announce the 2018-2019 United States Senate Youth Program (USSYP) sponsored by the William Randolph Hearst Foundation. This year, we are able to award **two Utah students \$10,000 each in academic scholarships** and an all-expenses paid trip to attend the 57th Annual “Washington Week”—a fantastic opportunity for our student representatives to meet and mingle with national leaders.

We want to make this year’s Utah competition the biggest and best yet.

Each school is able to send two competitors to the state capitol to vie for the scholarship and all-expenses-paid Washington Week visit. As you work with your colleagues to identify potential candidates, please keep in mind the following criteria which must be met for students to compete:

- Resident of the State of Utah
- High school junior or senior
- Elected student government officer or representative; National Honor Society officer; or elected or selected (selected by a panel, commission or board) student representative to district, regional or state-level civic or education organization
- Not a previous delegate to the program
- Must be able to attend the Annual U. S. Senate Youth Program in Washington D.C. March 2-9, 2019
- Must be interested in and knowledgeable about government and politics

Utah’s nominated students participate in a day-long competition in Salt Lake City consisting of essay question response, roundtable discussions, extemporaneous speeches, and—most importantly—the student portfolio. Students chosen to represent your school will prepare a small, concise portfolio of no more than 20 pages consisting of their activities in the following areas: leadership ability, high scholastic standing and demonstrated ability to achieve including transcripts, community involvement, and participation in a wide selection of activities on and off campus.

This year's deadline for portfolio submission is 5:00 PM on October 11, 2018. Portfolios MUST ARRIVE BY THIS DATE. Portfolios must be mailed or delivered in person to:

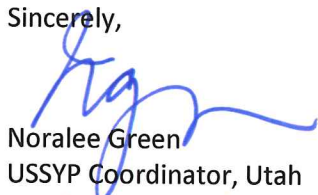
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If you believe your school will participate in this year's competition, please email me as soon as possible to ensure we have space to accommodate all competitors. **You must email to me the names of your school's nominated representatives and their contact information (phone/email) by Thursday, October 4, 2018.**

Students will compete in Salt Lake City on Thursday November 8, 2018. The winning delegates representing Utah MUST attend Washington Week from March 2-9, 2019. The scholarship funding and Washington Week are INSEPARABLE.

If you do not feel you are the appropriate recipient of this packet, please pass these materials along to ensure your school is represented at this once-in-a-lifetime event. We look forward to working with you and your student representatives, and I urge you to contact me at noralee.green@schools.utah.gov should any questions arise.

Sincerely,



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