

The Texas Junior State of America presents...

SPRING STATE 2012

The American Identity: From the Founders to the Future

JW Marriott Hotel on Westheimer by the Galleria

Houston, TX -- March 23-25, 2012

Registration Deadline: February 28, 2012

The Texas Junior State of America hopes you will be able to join hundreds of students and teachers from throughout Texas for an exciting educational experience at this weekend-long convention.

CONVENTION DETAILS

On March 23-25, 2012, the Texas Junior State of America will sponsor its annual Spring State Convention, "The American Identity: From the Founders to the Future" at the JW Marriott on Westheimer in Houston, Texas. We hope that you will be able to join students and teachers from throughout Texas and surrounding states for an exciting educational experience at this weekend-long examination of the challenges facing the world and our generation.

Spring State 2012 will give students the chance to discuss, debate and define the myths and realities that define our generation. Through active participation in debates, seminars, simulations, problem-solving forums, thought talks and other activities, delegates will be given the opportunity to voice their opinions on the status of American society, the world community, and the future direction of the country.

The Spring State convention will also feature the elections of next year's Texas Junior State Officers. There will be a dance at the hotel on Saturday evening, where delegates will have the opportunity to meet students from other schools. Needless to say, this convention will be an educational and social highlight of the year. The convention brochure contains additional information.

All student participants from your high school and their Teacher/Advisor(s) will register together as one delegation. Students from other schools may not attend the convention as part of your delegation, nor may outsiders visit members of any delegation during the convention. Chapter Presidents and Teacher/Advisors are responsible for organizing and submitting the registration packet for their delegations to the Junior State office in San Mateo, CA, in a well-organized and timely fashion.

Neatness is important--we'll be using your documents to generate rooming lists and nametags for your group. It's a good idea to check with your Teacher/Advisor(s) to be sure that the hotel arrangements you are making for them are correct before you submit them to us.

JSA conventions are large and complex and take considerable advance planning, especially in reserving our space requirements with the hotel.

PLEASE GET YOUR REGISTRATION MATERIALS IN ON TIME. If your registration does not arrive before the deadline, we will house students based on available space, rather than according to your requested Rooming List.

Preparing Your Delegation for Spring State: Checklist

1. **Get School Approval.**

- Give a copy of the brochure to the school official in charge of student activities.
- Find out the procedure for obtaining school approval for the trip.
- Find out the procedure for obtaining a school check or purchase order.

2. **Publicize.**

- Pass out brochures to interested students. Tell them to take the brochure home and show their parents. More brochures are available from the Junior State Office, at 1-800-334-5353.
- Distribute brochures to teachers and club advisors who may know of interested students.
- Post brochures around your campus. Write your name and phone number on the brochure as a contact person for interested students.

3. ***New* Online Registration**

- Each one of your members must create an account on the JSA Portal prior to registration
- Go to www.jsa.org/portal
- Login to your JSA Portal account and click on 2012 Spring State under Chapter Event Registrations
- Follow the 4 easy steps and click submit when your registration is complete
- Once finished, you'll be able to print an invoice. Please mail your permission slips to the JSA office.
- Need Help? Contact Steve Bayne at sbayne@jsa.org OR 800-334-5353
- Please Note: Once registration is entered online, only the JSA office can change it. Contact the convention registrar for any changes.

4. **Paper Registration.**

- Find out the procedure for obtaining a school check for your entire delegation's registration fees. If your school cannot do this for you, you may have to have a Teacher-Advisor or parent write the check. If this is the case, tell your chapter members to whom they should make their checks payable. **The Junior State cannot accept an individual check from each of your delegates.**
- Pass out Parent Permission Forms to all interested students.
- Set a deadline for returning registration checks and permission forms to you. This deadline should be at least ONE FULL WEEK before the JSA convention registration deadline.
- Collect checks and process them with your school in order to obtain one inclusive check for all registration fees. Remember, you need a separate check for your membership taxes.
- Collect permission slips. Make sure every delegate has gone over the permission slip with their parents and has returned the signed slip to you.
- Fill out Registration Form and Hotel Rooming List. Make sure these forms are legible and all the names are spelled correctly. Have your Teacher-Advisor sign the bottom of the Hotel Rooming List.

_____ Mail the Registration Form, Hotel Rooming List, registration check, and permission slips. Make two copies of each of the forms, keep one for yourself and give one to your Teacher-Advisor. Double check all registration materials for accuracy. Make sure your registration materials are **postmarked by the registration deadline to avoid incurring a late fee of \$10.00 per delegate.**

5. _____ Arrange Transportation.

Remember: No student driven cars are allowed at Junior State conventions.

_____ Determine how your delegation will arrive at the hotel.

_____ If your delegation is large enough, you may want to arrange buses through your school district or an outside bus company. If you chose to do this, **START EARLY**. The process could take a few weeks.

_____ If you decide to car pool, make sure to find enough parent drivers to accommodate your entire delegation. Set a time and place for everyone to meet before the convention and the estimated time of arrival for drop off after the convention.

6. _____ Have Pre-Convention Meetings.

_____ Students interested in debating or moderating should go to <http://jsa.debateware.com/> to submit your request.

_____ Invite all delegates, their parents, and your Teacher-Advisor(s) to a pre-convention meeting (schedule it for the evening hours). Go over transportation, what to bring, the format of the convention, and, most importantly, **the convention rules.**

_____ Discuss the candidates for Junior State with your delegates. You should receive information about the candidates in the mail before the convention.

_____ Schedule one chapter meeting where you debate or discuss one or more of the debate topics from the convention.

_____ Make sure to select a chapter representative(s) for special events like State Assembly Meetings or simulation activities.

7. _____ What to bring with you.

_____ A phone list of all of your delegates.

_____ Copies of the Registration Receipt Letters sent to you by the Junior State Office.

_____ All fees must be paid **before** the convention. In the event your delegation has any outstanding convention fees, you must contact the Junior State Student Program Manager to obtain approval to pay these outstanding fees at the convention. **Your delegation will not be registered with the hotel until all registration materials -- including fees and permission slips -- are received by the Convention Student Program Manager.**

The Texas Junior State of America
“The American Identity: From the Founders to the Future”
March 23-25, 2012

Location: JW Marriott Hotel on Westheimer by the Galleria
5150 Westheimer
Houston, TX 77056
(713) 961-1500

Check-in: *Delegation registration will be from 1:30 p.m. – 2:30 p.m on March 23, 2012.

*Room keys will not be available until 5:00 p.m., but secure luggage storage will be provided.

Students who live far from the convention site can arrange to arrive the night before the convention for a fee of \$40/student. They must be accompanied by a Teacher/Advisor who must stay overnight and supervise the students. Please note that accommodations are limited for Friday night arrivals, so please register early.

Check-out: The convention will end at approximately 1:30 p.m. Delegates will be required to check out of their rooms by 9:00 a.m. on Sunday. Luggage storage will be provided.

School Approval: Check with the Principal, Vice-Principal or Activities Director at your school about any school approval that needs to be arranged. Do this well in advance to allow time for obtaining approval.

**Student
Registration:**

\$ 140.00 Online Registration
\$ 25.00 Paper Registration Fee
\$ 10.00 Late registration fee per student
\$ 45.00 Extra night at the hotel.

The member rate is for tax-paid members of a chapter with 8 or more members. A Junior State chapter should not submit any non-member registration fees. **Please remember that chapters which have fewer than 8 tax-paid members will not be able to participate in the exciting elections for next year’s leadership!** If you would like to start a Junior State chapter in your school, call the Junior State Headquarters office at (800) 334-5353.

Four students of the same sex are housed in a room with two beds--make sure your delegates are aware of this. In cases where a delegation has fewer than four students of one sex assigned to a room, delegates from another high school will be housed with your delegates in that room.

Elected and appointed JSA student officers (approved by the Program Director) who may be rooming with other officers **MUST** be included in your delegation’s registration:

- List them separately on the Rooming List Form with a note about their arrangements to room with other officers.
- Include them in your payment of registration fees.
- Send their Permission Slips along with the others in your delegation.

Students who need special arrangements due to a physical disability or handicap **must** make those arrangements with The Junior State headquarters staff before the registration deadline. Failure to do so may mean that such arrangements may not be possible.

**Teacher
Registration:**

For every group of 1-19 students in your delegation, you **MUST** bring at least one teacher (1 teacher for 1-19 students; 2 for 20-38 students, 3 for 39-57 students, etc.).

* FREE registration for twin room accommodation
(2 same sex teachers in a room with 2 beds)
for one teacher per group of 3-19 students

OR

* Registration fee of \$160 for a private room

Registration

Deadline: **February 28, 2012**

What to Submit: (Make copies of these forms for your records before you mail them to us.)

___ Registration form.

___ Hotel Rooming List form signed by your Teacher/Advisor.

___ Permission Slip for each student signed by the student and a parent or guardian.

___ Make copies of the Permission Slip from this packet and give to delegates.

___ Payment in full (see Payment Options below) or evidence that you've made arrangements to have a check sent. **Don't postpone sending in your materials if there will be a delay in obtaining the school check. It is helpful for us to know your school is coming as soon as possible.**

___ A separate check for taxes, if applicable.

What Fee Covers: One night's lodging at the hotel, all educational materials, two days of exciting educational programs and the dance on Saturday evening. Meals are not included, but there are several inexpensive restaurants attached to the hotel.

Payment Options:

- * **ONE** inclusive check payable to The Junior State from the school. If your school takes a long time to process check requests, send a copy of the documentation showing that you have arranged with the school to send the check, **plus** a guarantee from the school that payment will be received **before** the start of the convention.
OR
- * **ONE** inclusive check payable to The Junior State from a parent or teacher (delegates pay that individual)
OR
- * A school purchase order (must be payable within 90 days).
Do not send individual personal checks from the delegates.
Do not send cash.

Where to Send

Forms & Payment: **The Junior State of America**
800 South Claremont St, Suite 202
San Mateo, CA 94402
(800) 334-5353; Fax: (650) 347-7200

Refunds: Because we have to make guarantees to the hotel far in advance of the convention, **we are unable to make refunds after the registration deadline has passed.** Likewise, if you send in a copy of documentation and a guarantee that a school check is being processed, you will be held to your original headcount and will not receive a refund for any students who cancel.

We encourage paid delegates who find themselves unable to attend to find another student from their school to go in their place and have the new delegate reimburse them for the registration fee. The replacement student **MUST** submit a permission slip.

Transportation: **Delegates may not travel to the convention in student-driven cars. Student drivers will be reported to their schools and their parents and sent home immediately.**

Delegations are encouraged to form carpools with parent and/or Teacher Advisor drivers or to charter a school bus or van. Parking is available at the hotel.

Conduct: * Rules of conduct for the convention are listed on the **Parental Permission Slip** that each delegate and his/her parent or guardian must read and sign as part of the registration process. Delegation leaders (e.g. chapter presidents) and Teacher/Advisors should review the rules stated in the **Permission Slips** carefully and be confident that all members of their delegations can be counted upon to honor them.

- * **Additional rules may be announced by the Program Director or Teacher/Advisor at the convention.**
- * No visitors are allowed in the hotel. Delegates are not allowed to associate with any visitor who is not an official guest of the Junior Statesmen program.
- * We reserve the right to send home, without refund, any individual delegate, or even an entire delegation, for violations of these rules.

Meals: The registration fee **DOES NOT INCLUDE MEALS**. Delegates should be prepared to purchase meals on Friday, Saturday and Sunday. The hotel will prepare special meal options for Junior State delegates. On Sunday there will be a special Summer Programs Breakfast for students interested in learning more about JSF Summer School and Symposia.

Elections: The feature event of every Spring State Convention is the exciting elections of Junior State officers. Your chapter is encouraged to actively participate in the elections by working for a candidate for Governor, Lt. Governor, Speaker, or by running your own candidate. In addition, there will be regional elections for Mayor, Vice-Mayor and other offices for the Alamo Capitol, Gulf Coast, and Panhandle Metroplex Regions. Many campaigns have already started. Don't miss out on this opportunity to get involved and have a lot of fun. The election handbook, describing the election procedures, will be sent to all Chapter Presidents. Chapter Presidents will also be sent a packet of candidate campaign literature about 3 weeks before Spring State. Chapter presidents have an obligation to share information on all candidates with their chapter members. Contact FEC Chair David Vreeland at dfvreeland@gmail.com.

Fund Raising: We hope every delegation is actively raising funds to lower convention prices for its members. Many chapters sponsor fund raisers such as car washes, candy sales, and garage sales to help defray convention costs. Some chapters write local businesses and service organizations to solicit funds. One key to a successful fund raising campaign is starting early. Discuss plans for Spring State fund raisers with your chapter members right away! For more fund raising ideas, contact your Governor or the Junior State Office.

The Ernest Andrew Rogers Outstanding Junior Statesmen Chapter of the Year Award

Each year at Spring State conventions across the nation, the Junior Statesmen Foundation recognizes the most outstanding chapters in each of its jurisdictions. The award is named in honor of JSA's founder, Professor Ernest Andrew Rogers, who is more commonly referred to as "Prof. Rogers." The idea for what is now known as the Junior State was first conceived by Prof. Rogers, headmaster of the Montezuma School in California's Santa Cruz Mountains in the early 1930s. Rogers had long maintained that one of the primary needs of a democracy was to train its youth in the essentials of good government. Rogers believed that without an informed populace, a democracy is worthless.

On an autumn evening in 1934, Prof. Rogers put the question before his students. Someone suggested a junior government -- an educational project to help create the statesmen and citizens of the future. Excited by the idea, the students began to set out the goals for their junior government. Non-partisan, non-sectarian, non-secret and non-profit, the organization would rise above the evils of propaganda and dirty politics. Students would not just learn about democracy, but would practice it among themselves. The Chapter of the Year Award is given to schools that fulfill the ideals envisioned by Prof. Rogers.

Rewards for Winning the Chapter of the Year Award

1. A plaque that can be engraved in order to be prominently displayed in your school's award case.
2. A \$1,000 scholarship to a Junior Statesmen Summer School AND a full scholarship to a Junior Statesmen Symposium for one member of the chapter.
3. One free private room to the chapter's Teacher/Advisor for all conventions the following year.
4. Be one of the 10 chapters nominated for the inaugural Junior State of America's National Civic Impact Award.

The National Civic Impact Award

This year, The Junior State of America will inaugurate its National Civic Impact Award in order to recognize the chapter that has had the biggest impact on increasing the level of civic awareness and engagement at their school. The award will go to one of the 10 chapters nationwide that were chosen as their state's Chapter of the Year. The winning chapter will receive:

1. A plaque that can be engraved in order to be prominently displayed in your school's award case.
2. A \$500 stipend reward to the chapter's lead Teacher Advisor.
3. A \$2,000 grant to the chapter in order to continue their civic engagement.

How to be Recognized as the “Chapter of the Year”

The Chapter of the Year is chosen at each state’s Spring State Convention. In the past, Chapter Presidents and Teacher Advisors from each participating school were required to submit an essay and a scrapbook which provided an overview of the chapter’s activities in order to be considered for the award. This year, Chapter Presidents and Teacher/Advisor will be asked to make a 5-10 minute presentation during a special activity block at Spring State to promote their chapter’s candidacy for the Chapter of the Year Award.

Chapter of the Year Application Process

1. Review the “Criteria for Judging the Most Outstanding Chapter” listed below;
2. Submit a complete Chapter of the Year application to the state’s program director at least one week prior to convention;
3. At Spring State, submit an essay written by the Chapter President and Teacher/Advisor describing ways in which the chapter meets the judging criteria to your state’s program director.
4. At Spring State, the Teacher/Advisor and the Chapter President or his/her designee, will give a 5-10 minutes presentation to a panel of Teacher Advisors and Junior State staff who will decide which chapter will win the Chapter of the Year.
5. **Presentation Requirements**
 - a. Chapters should prepare and submit a PowerPoint Slideshow or Video Documentary that is saved on a CD or DVD;
 - b. The presentation could include photos, video, recorded narration, text, charts, graphs, and any other visual aids that help to convey the chapter’s achievements;
 - c. The student should be able to operate all equipment. Junior State will provide an LCD projector and laptop PC computer for all CDs and DVDs. Students should contact their state’s program director to ensure that the equipment is compatible for your presentation.
 - d. Video documentaries should not last more than five minutes so that there is time for questions and answers.

Description of the Ideal Junior State Chapter.

The ideal JSA chapter is the center of nonpartisan political activity and awareness on campus. A chapter that is doing the best possible job of educating, involving, and representing the youth of their school and community is living up fully to the goals of the Junior State of America. Outstanding JSA chapters have members who diligently plan, regularly attend, and actively participate in chapter, regional, and state activities that could include fundraisers, mini-conventions, regional one-day conferences, and JSA overnight conventions. Typical chapter activities include student debates of controversial issues, guest speakers, mock trials, candidate debates, and voter education and registration drives. Outstanding JSA chapters go out of their way to encourage involvement in, and understanding of, the processes of democratic self-government, and participation in programs sponsored by the Junior State of America and the Junior Statesmen Foundation.

Criteria for Judging the Most Outstanding Chapter

1. **Chapter Activities** - The chapter conducts activities that build interest in government and politics and in the Junior State of America throughout the school and their community.

Examples of Evidence: -Conducts a variety of diverse activities such as debates, thought-talks, guest speakers, simulations such as mock trials, and mini-conventions;
 -Holds political activities that involve its members such as letter-writing campaigns, mock elections, and public opinion polls;
 -Has good publicity for activities including signs, posters, articles in the high school newspaper, and announcements on the school website;
 -Has effective membership drives; successful fundraisers; social “bonding” events for chapter members.

2. **Leadership** - The chapter has as many people involved in the chapter leadership.

Examples of Evidence: -The Teacher/Advisor and chapter leadership work together as a team;
 -Officers attend all activities; communicate with other chapters;
 -Officers prepare underclassmen to assume leadership roles to replace graduating seniors.

3. **Maintains Chapter Interest** - Interest in the chapter builds as the year progresses rather than wanes or remains constant.

Examples of Evidence: -Members attend chapter activities, mini-conventions, regional conferences, and state conventions as the year progresses;
 -Increase in the number of tax-paid members as the year progresses;

-Membership includes students from all grade levels within the school.

4. **Community Involvement** – The chapter is active in the community and engaged in the local political scene.

Examples of Evidence: -Attends school board and city council meetings;
-Encourages members to work on political campaigns; Conducts voter registration drives;
-Invites politicians and elected officials to speak; Members are involved in school and community issues;

5. **Conventions and Conferences** – Chapter has members who regularly participate in chapter, regional, and state activities.

Examples of Evidence: -Attendance at conventions, regional one-day conferences, and mini-conventions;
-Members who serve as main speakers and/or moderators;

6. **Presentation Quality**

Examples of Evidence -The presentation is original, creative, well-organized, and imaginative in presentation;
-All photographs, video, and/or audio are of high quality;
-The presenter was an articulate and persuasive advocate for his/her chapter.

*****REGISTRATION DEADLINE – February 28, 2012*****
SPRING STATE REGISTRATION-- JW MARRIOTT HOTEL ON WESTHEIMER BY THE GALLERIA
March 23-25, 2012

HIGH SCHOOL _____ TODAY'S DATE _____

STUDENT DELEGATION LEADER

TEACHER/ADVISOR

NAME _____
 HOME ADDRESS _____
 CITY _____ STATE _____ ZIP _____
 (_____)
 AREA CODE/PHONE NUMBER _____ GRAD YEAR _____
 CELL PHONE NUMBER _____
 E-MAIL ADDRESS _____

NAME _____
 SCHOOL ADDRESS _____
 CITY _____ STATE _____ ZIP _____
 (_____)
 AREA CODE/SCHOOL PHONE NUMBER _____
 SCHOOL FAX NUMBER _____
 ADVISOR'S E-MAIL ADDRESS _____

Our entire delegation will consist of _____ people (_____ students + _____ Teacher-Advisors)

Number

_____ Student(s) – MEMBERS	\$140.00 per student	\$ _____
_____ Student(s) -- Thursday Night	\$45.00 per student	\$ _____
_____ Teacher-Advisor(s) Twin Room Saturday Night (1 per 19 students)	\$ 0.00	\$ _____
_____ Teacher-Advisor(s) Private Room Saturday Night (1 per 19 students)	\$ 160.00 per T/A	\$ _____
_____ Teacher-Advisor(s) Twin Room Friday Night (1 per 19 Students)	\$ 0.00	\$ _____
_____ Teacher-Advisor(s) Private Room for Thursday Night	\$80.00 per T/A	\$ _____
_____ Late Fee (\$10 per student for registration after February 28, 2012)	\$10.00 per student	\$ _____
_____ Paper Registration Fee	\$25.00	\$ _____

Please enclose ONE CHECK for the amount of: \$ _____ or Purchase Order # _____

NO REFUNDS after Registration Deadline

Make Check Payable to and Mail to:

THE JUNIOR STATE OF AMERICA, 800 South Claremont St, Suite 202 San Mateo CA 94402
QUESTIONS? (800) 334-5353 TOLL FREE

HOTEL ROOMING LIST -- PLEASE TYPE or PRINT CLEARLY

HIGH SCHOOL _____ for Texas Spring State 2012 in Houston, TX

- * Please print clearly -- your name tags will be made from this list.
- * Students from other schools should not be listed on your form.
- * 4 students per room will share 2 double beds--fill each room to the extent possible.
- * Students of the same sex who are staying an extra night should be roomed together.
- * Make sure your teacher approves this list, including his/her room arrangements, by signing at the bottom.
- * Make a copy of this list before you send us the original.

ROOM #1 -- Females

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Year

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ROOM #1 -- Males

Grad Fri?
Year

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ROOM #2 -- Females

Grad Fri?
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ROOM #2 -- Males

Grad Fri?
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ROOM #3 -- Females

Grad Fri?
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ROOM #3 -- Males

Grad Fri?
Year

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TEACHER/ADVISORS (first and last name) Please print clearly -- your nametag will be made from this list.	Room Type or Private, Shared or Double	Room Price	Roommate Request or Spouse (List Name)
Mrs./Ms./Mr.			
Mrs./Ms./Mr.			
Mrs./Ms./Mr.			

Teacher Advisor Approval:

I have reviewed our school's Registration Form and Hotel Rooming List, and I approve of the students attending.

Teacher Advisor Signature _____

School Administrator Signature _____

The Junior State of America
PARENTAL PERMISSION FORM
WWW.JSA.ORG for more information

CALL (800) 334-5353 or (800) 317-9338 TO OBTAIN A CONVENTION BROCHURE

Parents: Please read this information carefully and review it with your child before signing.

Your child should have a very exciting educational experience at the upcoming Junior State event. He or she will have an opportunity to debate current issues. We hope you have read the convention brochure, which lists the topics to be discussed. In advance of the event, your child should do some special reading to prepare for these debates and other educational activities.

Once the event registration fee has been paid, we are not able to make any refunds. This policy is necessary because we have to make payments and guarantees many weeks in advance of the event. We encourage paid delegates who find themselves unable to attend to find another student from their school to go in their place and have the new delegate reimburse them for the registration fee.

Please review the convention rules with your son or daughter. By sending your child to the convention, you agree to pick him or her up if these rules are violated. Rule violators are sent home and are reported to their school for appropriate disciplinary action. If you have any questions about the rules, travel arrangements, or the educational program, please call The Junior State office at 800/334-5353.

CONVENTION RULES

1. All rules for school field trips prevail. Use of illegal drugs or alcohol is not permitted. Students also will be punished if they are in a room where drugs or alcohol are present. The use of tobacco products is not allowed. To ensure these rules are obeyed, the Teacher/advisor and The Junior Statesmen Foundation must approve the attendance of each delegate. We reserve the right to deny any student the privilege of attending the event.
2. At 8 p.m., students will meet with their Teacher/advisor for roll call and may not leave the hotel thereafter. At curfew, Teacher/advisors will check delegates at their rooms. Delegates must remain quietly in their own rooms after curfew. Pizza deliveries and room service deliveries are not permitted after curfew. Delegates also are required to meet with the Teacher/advisor at other designated times.
3. Delegates **must** attend all conference activities.
4. At no time may young men and women be in each others' rooms.
5. Delegates may not leave the convention hotel without the permission of their teacher/advisor. During meal times, with their Teacher/advisor's permission, delegates may leave the hotel to eat in designated areas. Under no circumstances are delegates to leave the hotel after 8:00 p.m.
6. Delegates must wear their name tags above the waist in a visible location at all times.
7. All students assigned to a room are responsible for any charges made to the room. All students assigned to a room are also responsible for the condition of the room. No outside phone calls can be made from student hotel rooms. Room service and other items may not be charged to a students room. No delegate may change rooms without the permission of The Junior Statesmen staff members at the event. The hotel staff will house four students in each room with two large double beds.
8. **No student may drive a car to the convention or ride in a student driven car during the convention.**
9. Visitors are not allowed in the convention hotel. Delegates are not allowed to associate with any visitor who is not an official guest of the Junior Statesmen program.
10. Students are expected to dress appropriately. Delegates should respect the rights of other hotel guests and not do anything to damage the reputation of the Junior Statesmen program. Students must not open or throw anything out of windows. Students must stay off balconies.
11. Students should not bring expensive items to the convention. Valuable items must be stored in the hotel safe or with the bellmen. The Junior State/The Junior Statesmen Foundation is not responsible for items stored in a luggage storage area.
12. Delegates or delegations that are sent home for conduct problems will not receive a refund.
13. Delegates and their parents agree that The Junior State may use any photographs or video taken during the convention for promotional purposes.

I agree to abide by all of the Junior State convention rules under the terms described on this permission form. I understand that in the event of a serious violation of the rules, my parents and my school will be notified, and I may be sent home at my own expense without a refund.

X _____
Student Signature Print Name Date
I agree to the terms described on this permission slip and give my child permission to attend the Junior State convention under those terms. The Junior Statesmen Foundation has my permission to obtain emergency medical treatment for my child at my expense.

X _____
Signature of Parent or Guardian Print Name Date
EVENT _____ HIGH SCHOOL _____
STUDENT NAME _____ SEX: ___ MALE ___ FEMALE (check one)
ADDRESS _____
CITY _____ STATE _____ ZIP _____
YEAR OF GRADUATION _____ HOME TELEPHONE () _____ CELLPHONE () _____
EMAIL _____ EMERGENCY PHONE # () _____

The Ernest Andrew Rogers Outstanding Junior Statesmen Chapter of the Year Award APPLICATION FORM

Directions: Chapters interested in competing for the Chapter of the Year Award should complete and submit this application form at least one week prior to Spring State Convention to their state's program director.

Name of Chapter:		Date:	
School Address:		City/State/Zip:	
Chapter President:			
CP Phone:		CP Email:	
Teacher Advisor:			
TA Cell Phone:		TA Email:	
Description of Presentation:			
Audio/Visual Requirements (Please contact the program director to ensure compatibility)			

JSA Program Director Contact Information on West Coast for Southern and Northern California, PNW and Texas		
The Junior State of America 800 South Claremont St, Suite 202 San Mateo, CA 94402 800-334-5353; Fax: 650-347-7200		
Southern California	Northern California	Pacific Northwest & Texas
Tracy Thomas tracy@jsa.org	Jaime Contreras jcontreras@jsa.org	Steven Bayne sbayne@jsa.org

JSA Program Director Contact Information for Ohio River Valley, Midwest, Florida, Northeast, and Mid-Atlantic States		
The Junior State of America 1600 K Street, NW Suite 803 Washington, DC 20006 800-317-9338; Fax: 202-296-7839		
Ohio River Valley	Southeast & Midwest	Mid-Atlantic & Northeast
Charlie Herron cherron@jsa.org	Lindsey Bowen lbowen@jsa.org	Elizabeth Ventura eventura@jsa.org