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To Mr. Phipps and everyone at American Legion Post 598,
Thank you for the opportunity to participate in the best program I have ever attended. I learned more in one week than I have in whole semesters of high school. I grew as a person more in one week, than in whole years.

I worked in the courts section after passing the bar exam. I ran for Judge of the Court of Common Pleas, and made it through the primaries. I lost in the final election by a small margin, and ended up working as the Clerk of the common Claims Court. Clerks of courts have stressful jobs (at least at Boys State), but I felt like I learned much more about the legal system as a clerk than if I was a judge.

More important than my experience in the courts, was my time meeting new people throughout the entire week. Before Boys State I was often scared of talking to anyone, especially new people. This showed ~~for~~ during the start of the week. By the end of the week, I learned that I actually am

very good at talking. I was starting conversations with people I didn't know, and I had better conversations with my new friends at Boys State than I have back at home.

There were many other great experiences throughout the week. The band, for example, may have been the best band I've played in. Everything at the Miami Campus was excellent, especially the food. I will certainly spread the word about the program to more people. I will remember my time at Buckeye Boys State for a very long time.

Thank you again,

Tyler Drexler