

## General Information

### 1. REGISTRATION – (Robertson College-Community Center)

Registration will begin at exactly **11:00** on Sunday, June 18 and will end at **2:00 pm**. The opening session will begin at exactly 3:00 pm. It is important that you register early enough so that you can get moved into your room, changed into your Boys' State uniform and be at the 3:00 meeting. Some cities will have pre-opening ceremonies meetings at 2:30, so it is important to get to registration early. Only delegates of the program will be allowed into registration. ***You will need to eat lunch prior to registration, the first meal served will be dinner and you cannot leave campus after you have been through registration.***

#### Things to bring with you to registration:

- A. Samsung Scholarship Application (if you are applying)
- B. Afternoon Activities Sign-Up Form
- C. Prepared Resolution/Bill for the Legislative body (see our website ([www.ncboysstate.org](http://www.ncboysstate.org)) for instructions and bill form)
- C. \$20 for Key Deposit, which will be returned when you turn your key in on Saturday (**NO CHECKS WILL BE ACCEPTED!**)

### 2. DELEGATES WITH MEDICAL PROBLEMS AND/OR TAKING MEDICATION

Upon registration, please notify your counselor of any medications that you are taking. If you have any condition which prevents you from participating in a physical activity, please notify your counselor. If you require a special room (first floor, private bath, etc.), please notify the Director in advance of arriving so that special accommodations can be made.

### 3. MEDICAL RELEASE

A medical release should have been included with your application. **Also included should have been a photocopy of your insurance card (front & back).**

### 4. CITIZEN HANDBOOK

Make sure to visit our website ([www.ncboysstate.org](http://www.ncboysstate.org)) and download the ***Citizen Handbook***. You need to review all of the information in this packet with your parents. You may want to print it and bring a copy with you to Tar Heel Boys State.

### 5. APPROPRIATE DRESS

Upon registration at Tar Heel Boys' State, you will be issued two Tar Heel Boys' State t-shirts. You may wear either ***khaki*** shorts or pants with the Boys' State shirts. ***Shirts must be tucked in at all times.*** You should bring comfortable *closed toe* shoes and socks. Sandals or flip-flops are not considered part of the Boys' State uniform. You should at all times wear your name badge. This is your ticket to the cafeteria and your identification for the week. If you plan to participate in any athletic activity, you should bring appropriate dress for that activity. You are not required to wear your Boys' State uniform during afternoon activities. If you order any extra Boys' State T-shirts, they will be delivered to you later in the week not at registration.

### 6. ITEMS NOT ALLOWED AT TAR HEEL BOYS' STATE

- A. **Valuables.** Neither Tar Heel Boys' State nor Catawba College will assume responsibility for lost or stolen items.
- B. **Stereos or large radios.** In order to be considerate of others these items should be left at home. Small clock radios are permissible.
- C. **Alcohol or Drugs.** Alcohol and non-prescription drug use is not allowed and will not be tolerated. You will be dismissed from the program for using these items at Tar Heel Boys State.

### 7. INSURANCE

You should be covered by either family insurance, school insurance or both. Tar Heel Boys' State carries supplementary insurance on each delegate should he have an accident and need medical attention.

### 8. SUBSTITUTIONS

If for some reason you should find that you will be unable to attend Tar Heel Boys' State, you should immediately notify the American Legion Post which is sponsoring you. A substitute may be sent in

your place. Please make sure the substitute gets the information package prior to the day of registration. The substitute must also bring with him to registration a completed application and health form. The Director of Tar Heel Boys' State should be notified of any substitutions prior to registration day.

#### **9. PACKING TIPS**

Students from the same school should not pack together. You will not be rooming with anyone from your school.

#### **10. TOWELS, SHEETS, ETC.**

In order to keep the registration fee as low as possible, you must provide your own sheets, pillow case, pillow, towels and washcloths. All beds are single beds and are bunk bed size. Some may prefer to bring a sleeping bag instead of sheets.

#### **11. EMERGENCY TELEPHONE NUMBERS / ADDRESS**

In the event you should need to be contacted by your parents, the telephone number is:

**704-645-4553**

If no answer, they may contact the Catawba College Public Safety Office. Their number is:

**704-637-4000**

Messages will be taken and return calls made as soon as possible.

In the event that you should need to receive mail during the week, the address is:

**Your Name  
The American Legion Tar Heel Boys' State Program  
Catawba College  
2300 West Innes Street  
Salisbury, NC 28144**

#### **12. DIRECTIONS TO CATAWBA COLLEGE**

From East: Take I-85 S to exit 76-B (Salisbury-Catawba College). Bear right at end of exit ramp onto Innes St. Drive straight through downtown, continuing approx. 3 miles to the Catawba campus. OR: Take Hwy 52 S to Business I-85 S, which merges with I-85 South. Then follow above directions.

From West: Take I-40 East to Statesville and the intersection with I-77 South. After a brief distance, leave I-77 South at exit 49-A (Garner-Bagnal Blvd), and turn right at the end of the exit ramp onto Hwy 70 East. Continue for approx. 30 miles. In Salisbury, 70 East becomes Statesville Blvd. Continue straight on Statesville Blvd, approx 1 mile, to intersection with W Innes St. Turn left onto West Innes St, and travel 4 blocks to the Catawba campus.

From South: Take I-85 North to exit 76-B (Salisbury, Catawba College). Bear right at stop sign at end of exit ramp onto Innes St. Drive straight through downtown, continuing approx. 3 miles to the Catawba campus.

#### **13. IF YOU MUST DRIVE TO CATAWBA COLLEGE**

If you must drive to Tar Heel Boys' State, you must park your car in the lot provided and turn your car keys in to your counselor. They will be returned at the end of the week. You must also notify the director if you are planning on driving. There is a \$20.00 non-refundable parking fee to park at Catawba College for the week. This fee will be collected at Registration on Sunday.

#### **14. CELL PHONES, RADIOS, MP3 PLAYERS, ETC.**

Cell phones, IPADS, MP3, IPODs and other communication or entertainment devices are to be left in the dorm rooms. These items disrupt the sessions and are disrespectful of speakers. Violation of this policy may result in the device being held by the director until the end of the program on Saturday. The schedule is very full. There will be limited time during the day to use phones. **However, phones are NOT allowed in classrooms or any program sessions.**

## 15. GRADUATION

Graduation will be on Saturday at 10:30am, please make sure to invite your parents to attend as this is a significant end to our long week.

### ***THINGS TO BRING***

#### **These items are NECESSARY:**

1. **Two sheets** (for a single bed / bunk bed), **pillow case** and **pillow** (A blanket is optional.) Some students prefer to bring a sleeping bag instead of sheets.
2. **Towels and washcloths**
3. **Alarm Clock**
4. **Gym shoes** (if playing basketball, etc.)
5. **Personal articles** (i.e. soap, shampoo, shower shoes, toothpaste, toothbrush, shaving supplies, etc.)
6. **Spending money** (You may need money for vending machines, etc. It is advised that you bring lots of change. You will want to purchase a \$5 group picture of your city and a \$6 group picture of the state.)

#### **These items are OPTIONAL:**

1. **Sweater, raincoat, umbrella** (It is not unusual for rainy days to occur during the week. An umbrella might be advised.)
2. **Musical Instruments** (If you plan to play in the band, please bring your instrument. However, Catawba College will provide percussion instruments and large horns (tubas, etc.). If you plan to participate in the talent show, please bring whatever equipment or instruments needed for your performance.)
3. **Camera** (You will meet some really great people during the week. Bring your camera to capture the moment!)
4. **Athletic Equipment** (If you plan to play a sport during afternoon activities time, you may want to bring a glove for softball, tennis balls and racket, swim suit, etc.)
5. **Campaign Materials** (If you plan to run for office, you **may** bring materials such as blank posters, markers, paper from home. However, do not bring pre-prepared campaign signs. *Catawba College Bookstore will also be open to purchase supplies.*)
6. **Snacks and Drinks** (Do not bring items that require refrigeration; there are no Refrigerators or Microwaves in the dorm rooms.)

***You will NOT be able to leave campus once you arrive and register on Sunday, so please make sure you bring everything that you may need.***