

United States Senate Youth Program 2016 –17 Student Application Directions

1. See your school counselor and notify her/him that you are interested in participating in the U.S. Senate Youth Scholarship Program. Make sure you meet the qualifications of the U.S. Senate Youth Scholarship Program outlined at:

http://www.hearstfdn.org/ussyp/selection_process_qualify/

2. Ask your counselor to email Charlotte.Woehler@tn.gov and request the national test. Your counselor will administer the exam according to provided instructions.
3. Type or print legibly and supply all information requested on the Student Application. This application may be accessed online at:

<http://www.tn.gov/education/topic/opportunities-for-students>

4. Secure the signatures of the nominating faculty member and high school principal.
*The school will select the winner based on exam score, qualifications and application.
Only one applicant per school may be submitted to Congressional District level.*
5. Include a copy of your school transcript, including grade point average, ACT or SAT score and class ranking. Base the grade point average on four semesters of work if you are a junior and six semesters of work if you are a senior. Be sure to include all subjects taken for credit for each semester, including the current one.
6. Answer essay question one in a response of 500 words or less. Answer essay question two in a response of 500 -1000 words.
7. Secure a letter of recommendation from principal or faculty member to accompany application.
8. Include a scored copy of the student test answer sheet.
9. **Deadline:** Completed applications must be in our office on **Oct. 28, 2016**. District winners will participate in the state level November interview competition in Nashville.
10. Mail completed application to:

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