

**United States Senate Youth Program (USSYP)**  
**Tennessee State-Level Selection Application**  
**2022-23 Tennessee Procedures for Participation**

**Information for Districts and Schools**

**Criteria for Applying in Tennessee**

1. The student applicant must be a current junior or senior enrolled in a public, private, or home school high school.
2. The student must be enrolled for the entire academic year in a public, private, or home school high school located in the state in which at least one of his/her parents or guardians currently resides.
3. The student must be a legal permanent resident or citizen of the United States at the time of application.
4. The student applicant must currently serve in an elected or appointed capacity in any one of the following student government, civic or educational organizations:
  - Student body: President, Vice President, Secretary, or Treasurer
  - Class President, Vice president, Secretary, or Treasurer
  - National Honor Society Officer
  - Student Council: Representative
  - District, regional, or state-level civic or educational organizations: Representative.
  - Note: School clubs (e.g., Chess Club) are not considered civic or educational organizations

**Selecting Students at the Local School Level**

Students participating at the local school level shall be selected based on demonstrated student academic, citizenship, and leadership abilities.

The school will select **one** student to complete the [online application](#).

As part of the application, the student, a parent, and the principal (or his/her designee) must sign and complete a verification form which may be downloaded from the Student Opportunities [website](#).

Applications must be submitted by **11:59 p.m. CT on October 14, 2022**.

**Selection of State-Level Delegates**

Selection will be based on academic accomplishments, community service, knowledge of current American government issues and procedures, and demonstrated qualities of leadership for the current school year. Virtual interviews for finalists will be held in November 2022.

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