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Nebraska American Legion Cornhusker Boys' State Governor Elected

(Lincoln) June 17, 2019 – Evan Jolley of Omaha has been elected the 79th Governor of Cornhusker Boys' State.

Nearly 350 high school juniors from across Nebraska participated in the 79th Session of The American Legion Cornhusker Boys' State, June 2-8 at the University of Nebraska Lincoln downtown campus. The annual citizenship program, sponsored by the Nebraska American Legion, is designed to provide youths with a better understanding of how city, county and state governments operate.

Cornhusker Boys' State is set up as a functional "51st state" and each boy learns how government subdivisions operate by actually doing the job. Participants campaigned for offices, held primary and general elections, and were involved in a variety of activities as part of the citizenship training program.

Since its inception in 1919, The American Legion has been a key advocate for veterans' benefits, patriotic American values, instilling values in young people through numerous programs, and a strong nation defense with focus on quality-of-life issues for those serving in today's armed forces.

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