

**AMERICAN LEGION  
UTAH BOYS STATE SENATORS  
CLASS OF 2023**



**Carson Cooper**



**Colby Stone**

UTAH BOYS STATE SENATORS GRADUATE FROM BOYS NATION

“The next generation of civic leaders enter through the doors of Boys State”.

The American Legion Utah Boys State Class of 2023, held at Weber State University June 11-16, 2023, elected two representatives as “Senators” to the American Legion Boys Nation program held in Washington, D.C. during July. Carson Cooper from St. George and Colby Stone from Washington Terrace graduated on July 28<sup>th</sup> after a week at Boys Nation.

During the weeklong activities at Boys Nation, “Senators” from all states participated in writing legislative bills, visiting Arlington Cemetery with the laying of a wreath at the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier, as well as other historic Washington DC monuments, visiting elected officials on Capitol Hill, and learning about the federal level of our government.

*“Boys Nation provides an amazing experience, capable of providing a sense of direction, relationships with valuable people, and a greater appreciation for our wonderful country.”*  
Carson Cooper

*“I gained priceless knowledge, skills, and connections that will serve a great purpose in my future. Boys Nation was the best and most valuable week of my entire lifetime.”* Colby Stone

Senators Cooper and Stone will be part of the student leadership for the Utah Boys State Class of 2024, along with elected Governor Harrison Park from Layton and Lieutenant Governor Kaleb Stephens from Layton.

Past prominent Utah Boys State/Nation graduates include Governor Mike Leavitt, U.S. Senator Mike Lee, and U.S. Attorney David Barlow.



Washington DC Boys Nation Graduating Class of 2023