



*United States Senate*  
WASHINGTON, DC

## **GREETING FROM JOE MANCHIN III UNITED STATES SENATOR**

On behalf of the citizens of the Mountain State, and as your United States Senator, I am honored to welcome those attending the 80<sup>th</sup> American Legion Mountaineer Boys State Program. This is one my favorite events to attend because I truly enjoy interacting with all of our state's future leaders.

Boys State is among the most respected educational programs of government instruction for students. I am so proud that since 1936, our Boys State program, the second oldest charter in the nation, has been held at beautiful Jackson's Mill. Ours is the only program in the country that can claim that tradition.

Year after year, I have watched countless young men become leaders in communities across West Virginia and beyond our great state's borders, and they have made us very proud. I truly appreciate this year's participants for demonstrating their patriotism and dedication to building a successful future in West Virginia as well as in America's government and society.

To our future leaders - You are the next generation of leaders, innovators, and creators and we are counting on you to contribute to an even greater state and nation than we are today. Again, I thank you for devoting your time to learning about our government and how you can make a difference in our country now and in the years ahead.

With warmest regards,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, reading "Joe Manchin III". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a large initial "J" and "M".

Joe Manchin III  
United States Senator