



Maine’s United States Senate Youth Program Nomination Form 2026-27

Note: High school principals may nominate one eligible student for consideration.

Required materials to be submitted as part of the application packet:

1. This form, completed by a school official.
2. A statement of recommendation for the student, **not to exceed one typed page**. The letter may be written by anyone the student chooses. The letter should describe the student’s leadership qualities, civic-mindedness and dedication to learning.
3. Completion of Maine’s USSYP Scholarship Application by the student. Guidelines can be found at:
<https://www.maine.gov/doe/learning/content/social/USSYP>
4. Submit all required materials by email to Beth Lambert at beth.lambert@maine.gov **no later than October 9, 2026**.

Mailed applications will not be accepted this year. Incomplete application submissions will not be considered, and applicants will not be contacted to ask for missing materials.

The selection of finalists will be completed by December 1, 2026, and finalist names will be forwarded to the William Randolph Hearst Foundation for official announcement in January 2027.

Contact Information, please print clearly:

Name of High School: _____

Principal: _____

Principal’s Email: _____

School Phone: _____

Contact information for staff member coordinating USSYP, if different than above:

Name: _____

Title: _____

Email: _____

Applicant, please print:

Name of student applicant: _____

Applicant’s email: _____

Applicant’s grade: _____ High school graduation year: _____

Leadership position(s) elected or appointed to for 2026-27:

Signatures:

I certify that I am an eligible applicant and all the information in this application is correct and not plagiarized. I understand attendance during the Washington Week program is required to receive the financial scholarship.

Applicant’s Signature _____ Date _____

I certify that, to the best of my knowledge, all of the information in this application is correct and the student meets eligibility requirements.

Principal’s Signature _____ Date _____