



THE HENRY CLAY CENTER  
FOR STATESMANSHIP

2021 High School Student Congress Application

Applicant Information

Full Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
*Last First Middle*

Preferred Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Date of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_ Gender: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Home Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
*Street Address Apartment/Unit #*

\_\_\_\_\_ *City State ZIP Code*

Parent/Guardian Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
*Last First*

Parent/Guardian Email: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Race/Ethnicity (Optional): \_\_\_\_\_

How did you hear about the Student Congress?

*Please select all that apply*

Teacher  Brochure/Flyer  Social Media  Internet Search  Local Young Democrats/Republicans

Program Alumnus: \_\_\_\_\_  Other: \_\_\_\_\_

Education Information

*Please list current high school and any applicable test scores.*

High School: \_\_\_\_\_

High School Location: \_\_\_\_\_  
*City State*

Classification:  Freshman  Sophomore  Junior  Senior Expected Graduation: \_\_\_\_\_

GPA: \_\_\_\_\_ ACT: \_\_\_\_\_ SAT: \_\_\_\_\_ PSAT: \_\_\_\_\_

## Involvement Information

Please use the space provided to list your activities, involvement and leadership roles, if applicable. You may include an additional sheet as an attachment if necessary.

### School Activities and Clubs

*Activity*

*Years Involved*

*Leadership Position*

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### Extracurricular Activities

*Activity*

*Years Involved*

*Leadership Position*

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### Honors and Awards

*Activity*

*Years Involved*

*Leadership Position*

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## Essays

*Please answer the following prompts in **no more than 250 words each** on a typed page, single spaced. Please include your name on the document.*

1. What is the greatest conflict our nation will face in the next quarter-century, and how will compromise and consensus building prove essential in managing and solving this conflict?
2. Why do you want to be selected to attend the High School Student Congress, and what will you bring to the program?

## Attachments

*Please include the following attachments as part of your application:*

1. Application Essays
2. Copy of most recent high school transcript (may be unofficial)
3. Teacher Endorsement Form – Please print out or send the teacher recommendation form at the end of this application to a teacher. Your teacher will return the form to the Henry Clay Center. *Your application will not be complete until the teacher recommendation form has been received.*

## Disclaimer and Signature

*I certify that the information I am providing is true and complete to the best of my knowledge.*

*If selected to the program, I understand that I must be an active and respectful participant of the program.*

*If selected to the program, I agree to abide by the rules and regulations of the Student Congress, the Henry Clay Center for Statesmanship, and The University of Kentucky.*

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

*Please submit application and all requested attachments titled as YourLastName\_Application via email or direct mail.*

Email To:  
adidawick@henryclaycenter.org

Mail To:  
Henry Clay Center for Statesmanship  
Box 210  
838 E. High Street  
Lexington, KY 40502

**Applications must be received or postmarked by February 22, 2021 to receive full consideration**

*Any applications received after this date will not be given preference, but may still be considered for alternate positions.*



# Teacher Endorsement Form

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## Instructions for Student Applicant

Please complete the information on **SECTION I** of this form for your teacher. Then, turn this form in to the teacher you would like to endorse you for the High School Student Congress. The information you provide in **SECTION I** will help your teacher highlight some of your best qualities and achievements, and will provide him/her with context for writing his/her endorsement of your application. Your teacher does NOT have to turn in SECTION I.

## Instructions for Teacher

Please complete the information on **SECTION II** of this form, using the information provided by the student applicant in SECTION I to help inform your recommendation if desired. Then, submit **SECTION II ONLY** to Abby Didawick, Staff Assistant, at [adidawick@henryclaycenter.org](mailto:adidawick@henryclaycenter.org) by the application deadline of February 22, 2021. For more information about the High School Student Congress, please visit [www.henryclaycenter.org/high-school-student-congress/](http://www.henryclaycenter.org/high-school-student-congress/)

## SECTION I (To be completed by Student Applicant)

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Grade in School \_\_\_\_\_  
*First Last Middle Initial*

High School \_\_\_\_\_ GPA \_\_\_\_\_

Class(es) taken with endorsing teacher \_\_\_\_\_

Please list 3 to 4 activities you are involved in that you believe make you a qualified applicant for the High School Student Congress:

Briefly explain to your teacher why you are applying to the High School Student Congress, or share your application essay with him/her:



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### SECTION II (To be completed by Teacher)

Student's Name \_\_\_\_\_ Student's GPA \_\_\_\_\_  
*First Last Middle Initial*

Teacher's Name \_\_\_\_\_ Teacher's Email \_\_\_\_\_  
*First Last*

High School \_\_\_\_\_

Are you a member of a Kentucky educational cooperative? If yes, which one? \_\_\_\_\_

What is the first word that comes to mind to describe this student? \_\_\_\_\_

Please use the space below to briefly express why this student should or should not be selected to attend the High School Student Congress (you may attach an additional page if desired):

Teacher's Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_