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Election Day Brings Excitement

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On Wednesday, delegates at the 89th Alabama Boys State participated in one of the most anticipated events of the week: General Election Day. Candidates for state office wrapped up campaign speeches before ballots were cast.

One of the biggest highlights of the day was the gubernatorial and lieutenant gubernatorial debates, where Federalist and Nationalist candidates discussed their goals and leadership plans. Following the debates,

U.S. Senate Place 1 James Beard (F)	Secretary of State Lucas Duncan (F)
U.S. Senate Place 2 JC Mendoza (F)	Commissioner of Agriculture & Industries Ridge Lovelady (F)
Governor William Ellard (F)	President, Public Service Comm. Hunter Tabone (F)
Lt. Governor William Burgess (F)	Associate Comm, PSC Place 1 Nick Davis (F)
Attorney General William Rea (F)	Associate Comm, PSC Place 2 Caleb Williams (F)
State Auditor Catdog Young (N)	
State Treasurer Turner Tillman (F)	

delegates voted to determine the next Governor and Lieutenant Governor of Alabama Boys State.

Governor: William Ellard said “First off, I’m thankful to the Federalists for nominating me, and thankful to everyone who voted for me. I’m excited to work with everyone to get a plan passed, and I strive to ensure a quick and efficient legislative process.”

Lieutenant Governor: William Burgess said “I am thankful to everyone who helped

Supreme Court Chief Justice Adarsh Vadlakonda (F)	Supreme Court Associate Justice, Place 5 Jacob Wilkinson (F)	Civil Appeals, Associate, Place 1 Joey Yates (F)	Criminal Appeals, Associate, Place 1 Jayden Daffin (F)
Supreme Court Associate Justice, Place 1 Adrian Balderas (F)	Supreme Court Associate Justice, Place 6 Benjamin Meyer (F)	Civil Appeals, Associate, Place 2 Henry Moltz (F)	Criminal Appeals, Associate, Place 2 Zach Rains (F)
Supreme Court Associate Justice, Place 2 Boyce Yancey (F)	Supreme Court Associate Justice, Place 7 Rhett Barnett (F)	Civil Appeals, Associate, Place 3 Tate Swindle (F)	Criminal Appeals, Associate, Place 3 Charlie Craft (F)
Supreme Court Associate Justice, Place 3 Tomazz Jackson (F)	Supreme Court Associate Justice, Place 8 Jonah Hand (F)	Civil Appeals, Associate, Place 4 Trevor Cianfaglione (F)	Criminal Appeals, Associate, Place 4 Peyton Waldo (F)
Supreme Court Associate Justice, Place 4 Grayson Gardner (F)	Civil Appeals, Presiding Judge Brayden Baker (F)	Criminal Appeals, Presiding Judge Bryant O’rear (F)	

me get elected to serve and promise to help my constituents have their voices heard.”

For the second year in a row, there was a Federalist sweep, with all but one position being filled by Federalists. This also marks the second consecutive year that a blind delegate has been elected lieutenant governor.

The election concluded days of campaigning as delegates now look ahead to the final days of Boys State under new leadership.

Unfortunate Effects of Weather at Boys State

Brandon Porter

In the previous days at Boys State, everyone who selected to participate in outdoor activities was unable to due to the rain. However, Wednesday morning it appeared as though everyone would finally be able to participate in their outdoor activities because

there was no rain. Unfortunately, within just a few minutes before being released from city meetings to the activities it began to steadily rain. A majority of the outdoor activities were then canceled again, except pickleball which was fortunately able to continue as intended.

Being the third day in a row most of them were canceled, it was upsetting for the delegates to see it happen again. With only one remaining day of activities being held it would be most unfortunate for the pattern to continue.

5-DAY WEATHER OUTLOOK



