

**GREETINGS FROM JOHN BOOZMAN  
UNITED STATES SENATOR**

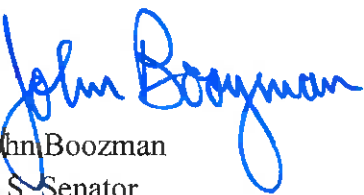
On behalf of the United States Senate, it is my distinct honor to join you in celebrating the 2025 Ralph D. Vines II Public Speaking Contest.

I am very proud of each student participating this year. It takes courage to enter and compete in this prestigious competition and you are setting a tremendous example for your peers across Arkansas. You worked hard to get here, and I hope you continue to cultivate the skills you gained in this contest as you prepare for your future.

I also want to share my sincere gratitude with the volunteers and others who ensure this event is successful year after year. Thank you for your commitment to creating opportunities for young people. Your efforts make a difference as you help them develop the skills to lead and serve our great state for generations to come.

Good luck to all the participants. You are great representatives of Arkansas.

Best wishes,



John Boozman  
U.S. Senator