

Old Dominion Association of Church Schools

December 20, 2023

Dear Administrator or Government Teacher,

Announcing an opportunity for the students from your Christian School!

On **Monday, January 29,** ODACS will sponsor the 25th annual **State Government Day** for high school juniors and seniors at the capitol in Richmond. This will be a great chance for your students to tour the capitol, see the legislative process at work, hear from elected officials, share with other students from around the state, and be challenged to get involved in the process of electing officials and influencing our government for righteousness! More than 100 students typically participate each year. If yours is a small school in which eleventh and twelfth grades are combined for many classes, we should be able to accommodate both grades easily.

Tentative Schedule of Activities

9:00	Meet at St. Paul's Church
9:15	State Government Seminar: Legislator or Dignitary (TBD)
10:00	Observe committee hearings in the <i>NEW</i> General Assembly Building!
11:00	State Government Seminar: Legislator or Dignitary (TBD)
11:30	Seminar: Nature of Politics, Mr. Jamison Coppola, AACS Legislative
	Director
12:00	Lunch: Pizza
12:45	Observe floor sessions in House of Delegates and Senate;
	Capitol Tours, Groups A and B
2:00	Capitol Tour, Group C
2:30	Departure

For the morning seminars we have reserved Parish Hall at St. Paul's Church, just across the street from the capitol, 815 East Grace Street. Parish Hall is a spacious facility that works well for our sessions. Much of the cost for the day is rental for this space. Because space is limited, please send in your registration as early as possible!

Bus parking space cannot be reserved. Information about parking will be sent to groups who register.

Cost: \$17.00 per student (includes lunch), \$10.00 per chaperone

<u>Dress</u>: Guys are expected to wear dress pants (no jeans), dress shoes (no sneakers), and conservative neckties. Girls are expected to wear dresses or skirts (knee-length or longer) and dress shoes. Students will be representing Christian education before an often skeptical group of legislators, and we want them to represent their schools and their Lord well!

See the attached page for registration information.