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Badger Boys State
P.O. Box 388
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Dear Badger Boys State:

I am writing you in support of relocating your annual summer program to the University of Wisconsin- Eau Claire. As the campus Military and Veteran Services Manager, I work with a population that strongly support the Badger Boys State values of leadership and civic responsibility. I do believe that our veteran population would be able to find meaningful ways to enhance your time at our campus.

UW-Eau Claire is the academic and employment destination for more than 300 military veteran students and 34 faculty and staff members who have served their country representing every military branch. More than 130 students are dependents of military veterans who utilize education benefits to assist them with their educational expenses. In addition, the ROTC program in the College of Business has an annual enrollment of close to 50 students. Since it opened in 2009, our campus Veteran's Center has lived up to its motto of "You Served. We Care." Our service to Veterans and their family members has been recognized nationally through various designations as a military-friendly campus for over a decade.

If Badger Boys State held its annual summer program at UW- Eau Claire, our Student Veterans of American (SVA) Chapter would be honored to meet with students who are interested in learning about leadership skills and civic responsibility from the military perspective. Partnering with our ROTC program would provide insight to courses focused on military leadership and development. We work closely with one of our local American Legion posts and would be happy to develop a program based on the interests of your team. If something less formal is of interest, our SVA chapter would be interested in hosting an outdoor activity like kayaking, biking, etc.

Please consider hosting Badger Boys State at Wisconsin's most beautiful campus and take advantage of the numerous educational opportunities available to help you grow and thrive.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me at any time.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Miranda Cross-Schindler". The signature is written in a cursive style.

Miranda Cross-Schindler
Military and Veteran Services Manager