

American Legion Auxiliary
Department of Georgia
Georgia Girls State

Bulletin # 1

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WHAT: Girls State

WHERE: Statesboro, Georgia at Georgia Southern University

WHEN: June 11-16, 2017

QUALIFICATIONS: Interest in government, leadership, citizenship, honesty, scholarship, character, and completion of their junior year in high school.

ORIENTATION: Orientation should be a part of your Girls State plan so that the girls and their parents understand in advance what to expect upon arrival. Please call on a staff member in your area to help with your orientation if help is needed. Former Girls Citizens can also be helpful when getting students prepared for the session.

PUBLICITY: Unit chairmen, be sure to contact local media for coverage as soon as your delegates have been selected. Many newspapers are willing to publish pictures and short articles about the program. Invite delegates to a unit meeting after the session to report to the unit.

****FEE:** Checks must be made out to Girls State and mailed to the Department Headquarters. **Send the fee of \$275.00 per girl to the American Legion Auxiliary Department Headquarters, 3035 Mt. Zion Road, Stockbridge, GA 30281 before April 20, 2017** to assure space for your girls. Call the director for late payments of fees.

Parents must fill out a medical history/ consent form/parent waiver. Physical is NOT required.

DISTRICTS: Each district is to elect a counselor and pay \$275.00 for the counselor to attend. Please notify the director upon the election and have the counselor send the director a resume.

APPLICATIONS: Applications are available by calling or emailing me, or they can be picked up at Fall Conference or accessed on the website.

To Be Mailed to the Director: After applications are filled out by the girl, the high school and the unit, please send applications, medical history/ consent form/ parent waiver, a copy of both sides of the insurance card and photos to **Deedy Harrell, 800 E 10th Avenue, New Smyrna Beach, FL 32169 by May 10, 2017**. This is the deadline, try to get them to me **earlier**, if possible. Call the director for late applicants.

After I received the application, I will send the forms packets to the girls. If you plan to print the forms packet for your girls, make sure they are **2017 forms** and please signify that on the application.

WEBSITE: www.georgiagirlsstate.org On the website you will be able to get applications and all documents necessary for girls' packets.

EMAIL: Georgia Girls State email: georgiagirlsstate@gmail.com for the director, Deedy Harrell

PHONE number: Deedy 770-337-7997 Call or text Or the Assistant Director, Gabriele Barnett At: Cell 706-951-3906 (call or text) or email: barnettgabriele@hotmail.com

IMPORTANT DATES:

APRIL 20, 2017 Checks for \$275.00 per girl due to the Department Headquarters.

May 10, 2017 Completed applications, medical history and consent form, parent waiver, copy of both sides of the insurance card and photo of the girl due to Director.

June 11, 2017 Arrival at Girls State between 1:00 and 3:00 PM

June 16, 2017 Graduation at 8:45 AM and departure by 1:00 PM

Delays cause your girls to have difficulty in getting prepared for the program. If you find out that a girl is not coming after having sent in her application, please let us know. We make phone calls to all no shows and it will help us if we can limit the number of calls necessary. Let us know even up the last day.

Please join the Girls State Booster Club!!

Feel free to contact me if you have any questions or concerns.

Deedy Harrell, Director