American Legion Auxiliary



Summer 2020

Dear American Legion Auxiliary Girls State Citizen:

Congratulations on your selection to attend the 2020 American Legion Auxiliary Girls State session. Your sponsoring American Legion Auxiliary Units have worked very hard to send you to this prestigious program and they will be excited to hear how your week went. Only a select number of young women are chosen to attend this program each year and you join more than one million young women who have experienced this program since its inception in 1937. These women have gone on to be respected community leaders, successful businesswomen, and many have sought and achieved careers in politics and government.

You are representing your school, hometown and community so do not take that responsibility lightly. You were specifically chosen because each of you possesses the qualities that the American Legion Auxiliary looks for, your interest in government, your leadership ability, honesty and good character. At American Legion Auxiliary Girls State, these skills and others will be put to good use. This once in a lifetime opportunity is your chance to experience many things so do not waste a minute of it. Participate, get involved, run for office, make a new friend, write a bill, help on someone else's campaign, step out of your comfort zone and do something you would normally not do and I promise, you will not be disappointed that you did. You will gain so much with just a small amount of effort. On top of that, you will have so much more fun being involved than just sitting on the sidelines, watching.

Make the most of your week and at the end of it, one of the best things you will have is lasting memories of a week you could never have imaged and valued friendships, some of which you will keep through-out your lifetime. The American Legion Auxiliary is proud to be the sponsor of this outstanding program, excited to have you participate in the 2020 session, and we hope you will go home and tell everyone that this was the best week of your summer.

The last thing that I will ask is that when you return home please share your experiences with your family, friends, schools and your sponsoring American Legion Auxiliary Unit.

Welcome to ALA Girls State!

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