

AMERICAN LEGION AUXILIARY DEPARTMENT OF WISCONSIN

2023-2024 American Legion Auxiliary Badger Girls State Program Engagement Plan

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PURPOSE

The American Legion Auxiliary Badger Girls State (ALABGS) Program is to promote and provide an outstanding week-long government-in-action program for high school girls who have completed their junior year.

DEADLINES/IMPORTANT DATES

- November: Reservation packets are sent to Sponsors and promotional packets are sent to high schools.
- January 31st: Reservations forms and fees due from Sponsors.
- February: Registration materials are sent to <u>sponsored</u> high schools.
- March: Orientation information and delegate forms are available on website (<u>www.alabgs.org</u>).
- April 1st: Registration deadline for Delegates and Alternates.
- April 15th: Submit ALABGS year-end Unit Narrative Report.
- April 15th: Last day to request full refund of sponsor reservation fee.
- April 16-April 30: Sponsors may request partial refund of reservation fee.
- May 1st: No refunds will be issued for cancelled reservations.
- May 15th: Last day to accept late registrations.

GET INVOLVED

- 1. Sponsor delegate(s) for ALABGS.
 - The American Legion Auxiliary proudly sponsors ALABGS. It is a once-in-a lifetime opportunity that gives participants firsthand experience and insight into how the state government works and provides a week of learning focused on responsible citizenship.
 - ALABGS delegates are a diverse group of high school girls with a shared desire to learn and lead.
 - ALABGS "citizens" come together from small towns, big cities, and rural areas and their varied backgrounds set the stage for a week of spirited, experiential learning. Participants connect with peers from across the state allowing a unique opportunity to spend time with those who share common interests and others who have different perspectives from their own. ALABGS delegates leave with a deeper understanding of government, a renewed sense of patriotism, and an appreciation for veterans.
- 2. Secure outside sponsors.
 - Work with other organizations who may be willing to sponsor ALABGS delegates such as Rotary, Kiwanis, Lions, VFW, PTO, school clubs, etc.
- 3. Volunteer at ALABGS.
 - Volunteers must be able to pass a background check.
 - Volunteers may serve for the entire week, a few days, or as overnight counselors.
 - Visit <u>www.alabgs.org/alabgs-volunteer-info</u> for a description of volunteer opportunities.

Resources:

- For suggestions on how to implement this program, please contact the ALABGS Chairman or ALABGS Executive Director listed at the beginning of this Program Engagement Plan.
- Visit the <u>www.alabgs.org</u> website.