

CALL
for the
102nd Annual National Convention
of the
AMERICAN LEGION AUXILIARY
to meet in
Charlotte, North Carolina
August 25 – August 31, 2023

In conformity with Article VI, Section 1 of the National Constitution, which provides that the annual National Convention of the American Legion Auxiliary shall be held at the same time and place as The American Legion National Convention, the 102nd Annual National Convention of the American Legion Auxiliary is hereby called to meet in Charlotte, North Carolina, from August 25-31, 2023. The convention business sessions will be in the Charlotte Convention Center.

PURPOSE

The annual National Convention is the legislative body of the American Legion Auxiliary. The convention is called for the purpose of electing officers for the ensuing year, amending the National Constitution & Bylaws, receiving reports of national officers and committees, and for the transaction of such other business as may be brought before it. Officers for the ensuing year will be elected August 30, 2023.

REPRESENTATION

Representation in the convention shall be by department and in accordance with the provisions of the ALA National Constitution, Article VI, Section 2.

Each department shall be entitled to five delegates and one additional delegate for every 1,500 members or major fraction thereof, whose current dues have been received by the National Treasurer 30 days prior to the meeting of said convention, and to one alternate for each delegate. (ALA National Standing Rule II. National Convention, #2)

In addition to the above, members of the National Executive Committee (including the National Vice President, National Division Vice Presidents, National Secretary, National Treasurer, National Chaplain, National Historian, and Past National Presidents) in good standing with their respective units are delegates-at-large to the National Convention with vote to be exercised with their departments.

Each delegate shall be entitled to one vote. The vote of any delegate absent and not represented by an alternate shall be cast by the majority of the delegates present from the delegate's department. (ALA National Standing Rule II. National Convention, #2)

ALTERNATES

An alternate will have the power to vote only in the absence of the regular delegate. The selection of alternates to represent absent delegates is a matter for decision by the respective departments.

NATIONAL EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

A Pre-Convention Meeting of the 2022-2023 National Executive Committee is hereby called and will be held at 8 a.m. Saturday, August 26, 2023, Charlotte Convention Center; East 220 A-F. (ALA National Standing Rule V, # 2). *Note: Time is subject to change.*

A Post-Convention Meeting of the 2023-2024 National Executive Committee will be held at 8:30 a.m. Thursday, August 31, 2023, East 217; Charlotte Convention Center. (ALA National Standing Rule V, #2)

DEPARTMENT OFFICERS

Department officers, unless elected as delegates or alternates to the National Convention, have no privilege in the convention except as guests of their respective delegations.

CONVENTION COMMITTEE MEETINGS

Pre-Convention Committee Meetings will be held virtually August 9-22 for the following committees as designated in the Standing Rules, Section II, Item 4b.

Chaplains	Education	Membership
Historians	Finance	National Security
Americanism	ALA Girls Nation	Poppy
Auxiliary Emergency Fund	Junior Activities	Public Relations
Children & Youth	Leadership	Veterans Affairs & Rehabilitation
Community Service	Legislative	

The Rules, Resolutions, Credentials, and the Constitution & Bylaws Pre-Convention Committee meetings will be held in person Saturday, August 26, 2023, from 10:30 a.m. – 3 p.m. in the Charlotte Convention Center. *Note: Time is subject to change.*

Each department shall designate one official representative to attend the Pre-Convention Committee meetings. The official representative does not need to be a delegate or alternate; however, only those official representatives who are convention delegates/alternates will be allowed to vote in the virtual Pre-Convention Committee meetings.

Departments shall designate their official representative via an online form provided by ALA National Headquarters.

DIVISION CAUCUS MEETINGS

The Division Caucus Meetings will be held Saturday, August 26, 2023, from 3:15 p.m. – 4:15 p.m. as follows:

Central Division	East 218, Charlotte Convention Center
Eastern Division	East 220 A-F, Charlotte Convention Center
Northwestern Division	West 206 A, Charlotte Convention Center
Southern Division	East 219 D, Charlotte Convention Center
Western Division	West 206 B, Charlotte Convention Center

CREDENTIALS

Each delegation secretary shall transmit to National Headquarters no earlier than July 31, 2023, and no later than August 14, 2023, the official Certification of Delegates and Alternates Form and electronic delegate and alternate lists. Electronic lists must contain the following information:

1. Name of department.
2. Number of units in the department.
3. Paid-up membership according to the National Treasurer on July 29, 2023, which is 30 days prior to the meeting.
4. Date and place of the department convention at which delegates and alternates were selected.
5. Name of delegation chairman.
6. Name of delegation secretary.
7. Names, complete member ID numbers, complete home addresses, accurate email addresses, and unit affiliations of delegates.
8. Names, complete member ID numbers, complete home addresses, accurate email addresses, and unit affiliations of alternates.
9. Electronic signature of department president, attested by department secretary.

CREDENTIALS FEE

A registration fee of \$35 for each delegate, each alternate in attendance, and guest in attendance must be paid to the National Treasurer by the delegation secretary no earlier than July 31, 2023, and no later than August 14, 2023.

SECURING CREDENTIALS IN NORTH CAROLINA

Delegation secretaries can secure credentials August 23 and 24, 2023, at the Charlotte Convention Center.

GUEST REGISTRATION

Departments will be able to register guests to National Convention. Guest registration will begin July 31, 2023, and continue through registration cut-off. Guests may still also register via The American Legion.

DELEGATION HEADQUARTERS

Each department delegation will establish headquarters in the hotel to which it is assigned. Upon arrival in the convention city, all members of department delegations will report to their delegation headquarters. They will receive all necessary instructions from the secretary of their delegation.

ADMISSION TO NATIONAL CONVENTION SESSIONS

Admission to National Convention sessions will be by delegate, alternate, or guest badge. All visitors who wish to attend convention sessions must register.

ALA NATIONAL HEADQUARTERS OFFICE

The American Legion Auxiliary National Headquarters Convention Office will be in the Charlotte Convention Center, August 25-31, 2023.

DATED: May 2023

ATTEST:



National Secretary



National President

American Legion Auxiliary
Charlotte, North Carolina

DISTRIBUTION:

National Officers
Past National Presidents
National Executive Committee
Alternate National Executive Committee
National Chairmen
National Committee Members
Department Presidents
Department Secretaries