



American Legion Auxiliary Syringa Girls State

2019 Interview Instructions

What is Girls State? Girls State is a fast-paced, hands-on experience which teaches Americanism and the political process. Attendees are divided into cities, counties, and political parties; delegates participate in mock government by developing city responsibilities, running for political office, and debating and passing legislation. Two delegates from Idaho will be selected to participate as “State Senators” at Girls Nation in Washington, DC.

When and Where is Girls State? Girls State is held at Northwest Nazarene University in Nampa, Idaho. The 2019 Session will be from June 9 through June 14. If selected as a delegate to attend Girls State, you must attend the session in its entirety.

How do I apply? On a separate sheet of paper, please type a report with responses to the following questions: 1. Please list your leadership experiences and offices held. 2. Please list your extracurricular activities, sports, and clubs. 3. Please list your awards and recognition. 4. Please list your volunteerism experience. 5. Please list your educational goals. 6. Please include a brief essay entitled “What I can contribute to Girls State and Why I Should be Selected.”

How is scoring applied? Members of the American Legion Auxiliary will interview you. You will be given scores based on three components: written report, personal interview, and a question pertaining to current events. Your report should be neat, complete, and well-organized. Judges will look for evidence of leadership, poise, confidence, and a desire to participate. During the interview, the ability to formulate an intelligent and supported response will be evaluated.

Confidentiality: To maintain confidentiality, please do **not** include your name on your report or give your name in your interview. Instead, once your report is complete, you will give this paper and your report to your school counselor, who will assign you a number. No names will be known to the interviewing panel until the selection process is complete.

Please return this form and your report by: _____

Interviews will be held at this address and time:

This portion to be filled out by the School Counselor:

School: _____ Student Number: _____