

WISCONSIN AMERICAN LEGION AUXILIARY



Badger Girls State

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Dear Badger Girls State Delegate:

Congratulations – you have been selected to represent your school, local sponsor and financial contributor at the 68th session of Badger Girls State, which will be held on the UW-Oshkosh campus, June 19 - June 24.

Badger Girls State is a week of learning more about your local, county and state government. During this week, you will be a citizen of and live in one of 14 cities, one of seven counties in the State of Badger. Your task or challenge, along with the other citizens, will be to create these cities, counties and state. This also includes creating two political parties, lobbyist group, a Senate and an Assembly. Once officials have been elected and installed, you along with all the other citizens will be operating these three levels of government. This is a lot of government in a short period of time to bring to fruition, but the end product is fabulous. You can't imagine the pride that the citizens and staff have as they observe all phases of the State of Badger in full operation. If you have an interest in government and want to learn more about the duties and responsibilities of good citizenship, this program is for you; if not, pass the opportunity on to someone who is interested.

This commitment should not be taken lightly. The American Legion Auxiliary sponsors Badger Girls State with additional financial support received from civic organizations, service clubs, businesses and school groups whom have paid tuition for your room, board and study materials. Should you change your mind and decide not to attend and an alternate cannot be found, not only does the contributor lose their tuition fee but also another candidate misses out on the opportunity you were awarded.

ONLINE REGISTRATION. A letter for Delegate(s) has been sent to sponsored schools.

In order to complete online registration you will need to use the information provided in the Delegate letter sent to your school's Badger Girls State representative. If you have questions regarding online registration, feel free to contact Carrie Thrasher at Department Auxiliary Headquarters.

Upon completion each Delegate and/or Alternate will receive a confirmation (email) and will be directed to the Wisconsin State Badger Girls website (www.badgergirlsstate.org) for BGS Session information.

A complete overview of the Badger Girls State program is presented during program orientations scheduled throughout the state. It is strongly recommended that you and your alternate, parents and/or school liaison attend an orientation close to you (a schedule can be accessed on our website). Before the June session, talk with the senior who attended last year, read the Badger Girls State brochure or go to our website, which describes the Badger Girls State Program in detail. There can be excitement and enjoyment in this learning process and an opportunity to make many new friends.

VERY IMPORTANT: Badger Girls State 2011 Session Information for Delegates will be available online for downloading and printing at www.badgergirlsstate.org. Please read the information carefully and follow all instructions. **THIS ONLINE INFORMATION INCLUDES FORMS YOUR PARENTS/GUARDIANS NEED TO COMPLETE AND SIGN SO THAT YOU CAN BRING THEM WITH YOU TO REGISTRATION ON JUNE 19th.**

If you cannot access the Internet from home or don't have a printer, please ask your school to print the information for you.

Sincerely,

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Badger Girls State Executive Director

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