



## American Legion Auxiliary Kentucky Girls State

### To Potential Participants and Parents in conjunction with the 2025 Session of the American Legion Auxiliary Kentucky Girls State Program:

For the 2025 session of American Legion Kentucky Girls State (ALA KGS), updated forms are available and current year forms are required. All forms are also available from the Department Website at: <https://aladepaux.wixsite.com/kentuckygirlsstate/forms>. For your convenience, a single comprehensive group of forms is available for your use.

**Since the forms are being made available via the internet, registration forms must be returned to their source, if obtained from a school official or American Legion Auxiliary Unit Representative. If the forms are obtained from the internet without a sponsor, they must be submitted to ALA KGS Director Bonita Robey at the email address or physical address listed below.** At the time the registration form is submitted, the media release and social networking policy must be submitted as part of the application package. The medical form is required and must be submitted no more than 14 days prior to the commencement of Girls State. Forms being submitted directly from a student or school without interaction with the ALA will require a letter of recommendation from a school official. A background form (suggested, but not required) is also provided. The sponsoring ALA Unit may require additional forms. Please note that the registration form should be used for both delegates and alternates, with appropriate information checked.

#### **FACTS ABOUT ALA KENTUCKY GIRLS STATE**

1. 78th Session to be held June 2nd – 6th, 2025.
2. Held at Western Kentucky University, Bowling Green, KY.
3. This is interactive training in the governmental process. Activities include role play as government officials. Participants are:
  - a. Assigned to Federalist or Nationalist Party
  - b. Assigned to House of Representatives or Senate
  - c. Run for elected city and state offices.
  - d. Live in mythical cities
  - e. Delegates write bills and email ([alakygs.legislative@gmail.com](mailto:alakygs.legislative@gmail.com)) or bring bills to ALA Kentucky Girls State
  - f. Supervisors are American Legion Auxiliary volunteers and former Girls State participants.
  - g. Registration begins at 11:00 a.m. until 1:00 p.m. CDT Monday, June 2nd• The closing session on Friday, June 6th and will adjourn at approximately 10:00 a.m. CDT.

#### **CRITERIA FOR DELEGATES TO ALA KENTUCKY GIRLS STATE**

1. Progressed through grade 11 without interruption or retention.
2. Must be a legal resident of the United States
3. Must be interested in government.
4. Must be willing and able to fully participate in the entire program. ANY LATE ARRIVALS OR EARLY DEPARTURES WILL FORFEIT THEIR OPPORTUNITY TO RUN FOR AN OFFICE WHILE AT GIRLS STATE.
5. **Participants in the Governor's Scholar Program should be considered to attend ALA Kentucky Girls State;** however, they are ineligible to attend Girls Nation due to a scheduling conflict with GSP.
6. ALA Kentucky Girls State accepts Kentucky residents, students enrolled in Kentucky schools, students enrolled in Department of Defense Schools outside the United States, or girls from nearby states at the Registration Fee of \$350.

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## **REGISTRATION MATERIALS**

1. The registration form, background information, media release, and letter of recommendation from school official should be **scanned and emailed** to:

Ms. Bonita Robey, Director  
Kentucky Girls State  
bcrobey@gmail.com

A separate medical form is required to be received no more than 14 days prior to the beginning of the program session. This form should be forwarded to the above address.

2. **THE DEADLINE FOR REGISTRATION is MAY 15, 2025.** The American Legion Auxiliary conducts the program and provides sponsorship of the attendees, but a contributing organization, bank, individual, business, or civic organization, may contribute to the American Legion Auxiliary in sponsoring a delegate for ALA Kentucky Girls State. The ALA Unit has final approval of the delegate and will notify the applicants of their acceptance.

***Applications submitted directly to the program by schools or individual applicants must be accompanied by a letter of recommendation by a school official and the individual will receive notification from Director Hobbs of their acceptance.***

Ms. Bonita Robey  
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Russellville, KY 42276  
(270) 893-1126  
Email: [bcrobey@gmail.com](mailto:bcrobey@gmail.com)

Ms. Virginia Hobbs, Advisor  
297 Terrace Drive  
Radcliff, KY 40160  
(270) 300-6060 (c)  
Email: [director\\_alakygs@outlook.com](mailto:director_alakygs@outlook.com)

Mrs. Diane Spencer, Director  
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(Form May Be Duplicated) PLEASE TYPE OR WRITE LEGIBLE  
FORM TO BE SCANNED AND EMAILED TO  
THE ALA KGS DIRECTOR

**RECEIPT OF THIS FORM IS MANDATORY**  
**DEADLINE FOR REGISTRATION IS**  
**MAY 15, 2025**

## REGISTRATION FORM ALA KENTUCKY GIRLS STATE

1. NAME \_\_\_\_\_ DATE OF BIRTH \_\_\_\_\_

2. MAILING ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_

3. \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP \_\_\_\_\_ EMAIL \_\_\_\_\_

4. HOME PHONE \_\_\_\_\_ CELL PHONE \_\_\_\_\_

5. FATHER OR GUARDIAN \_\_\_\_\_ OCCUPATION \_\_\_\_\_

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6. FATHER'S CONTACT NUMBER \_\_\_\_\_

7. MOTHER OR GUARDIAN \_\_\_\_\_ OCCUPATION \_\_\_\_\_

8. MOTHER'S CONTACT NUMER \_\_\_\_\_

9. HIGH SCHOOL NAME AND LOCATION \_\_\_\_\_

### CERTIFICATION

I certify that the above-named student is a Junior at \_\_\_\_\_  
(High School)

Signed by: \_\_\_\_\_  
(School Official and TITLE)

THE ABOVE INDIVIDUAL WAS SELECTED AS A DELEGATE \_\_\_\_\_ ALTERNATE \_\_\_\_\_ TO THE 2024  
SESSION OF KENTUCKY GIRLS STATE.

### PARENTAL CONSENT

I, \_\_\_\_\_, an above indicated parent/guardian of \_\_\_\_\_,  
hereby acknowledge my knowledge of and permission for her to participate in the American Legion Auxiliary, Kentucky  
Girls State Program from June 2, 2025, through June 6, 2025.

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

### UNIT SPONSORSHIP

The above individual is being sponsored by \_\_\_\_\_  
(UNIT NAME AND NUMBER)

Signed by: \_\_\_\_\_  
(Unit President OR Girls State Chairman)

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone Contact: \_\_\_\_\_



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## BACKGROUND INFORMATION FORM ALA KENTUCKY GIRLS STATE

1. NAME \_\_\_\_\_
2. EMAIL \_\_\_\_\_ CELL PHONE \_\_\_\_\_
3. COURSES YOU HAVE TAKEN WHICH WILL HELP YOU AT GIRLS STATE: example-history, drama, government, public speaking, leadership training.
4. LIST SCHOLASTIC AND HONORARY AWARDS AND ALL EXTRA CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES IN WHICH YOU HAVE PARTICIPATED ON THE REVERSE SIDE OF THIS FORM. BE SURE TO INDICATE THE OFFICES HELD.
5. WHAT TALENTS DO YOU HAVE? SING \_\_\_\_\_ DANCE \_\_\_\_\_ PLAY MUSICAL INSTRUMENT \_\_\_\_\_.
6. WILL YOU BE ABLE TO ATTEND THE **FULL SESSION** OF GIRLS STATE JUNE 2-6, 2025  
GIRLS WILL NOT BE EXCUSED FOR TESTING OR OTHER ACTIVITIES. YES, \_\_\_\_\_ NO \_\_\_\_\_
7. DO YOU HAVE ANY PROBLEMS THAT WOULD PREVENT FULL PARTICIPATION IN THE PROGRAM? GIRLS STATE NECESSITATES **LONG HOURS AND LONG WALKS** TO CLASSES? \_\_\_\_\_. IF YOUR ANSWER IS YES, PLEASE EXPLAIN.
8. PLANS AFTER GRADUATION: \_\_\_\_\_ College  
a. \_\_\_\_\_ Business School \_\_\_\_\_ Work (type) \_\_\_\_\_  
b. \_\_\_\_\_ Trade School \_\_\_\_\_ Military (Branch) \_\_\_\_\_
9. DID ANY OTHER FAMILY MEMBER ATTEND GIRLS OR BOYS STATE? \_\_\_\_\_
10. WHO \_\_\_\_\_ WHERE \_\_\_\_\_ WHEN \_\_\_\_\_
11. IS ANY FAMILY MEMBER CURRENTLY SERVING IN THE MILITARY? \_\_\_\_\_ IF SO, WHO? \_\_\_\_\_  
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**Scan and email completed form to; Bonita Robey, Director, ALA Kentucky Girls State:**  
Email: Bonita.Robey@gmail.com



**American Legion Auxiliary  
Kentucky  
Girls State**

**MEDIA RELEASE**

The American Legion Auxiliary Kentucky Girls State (ALA KGS) and Western Kentucky University would like to take pictures and make video records of the 2025 Session of ALA KGS. ALA KGS is only looking to create a video for the enjoyment of the participants, to promote the program within the American Legion Auxiliary and at participating high schools. Photographs are taken of various activities, including the field trip to Frankfort, and a group photo of each city. Photographs and information may also be posted on Facebook using the page for ALA Kentucky Girls State.

I give my permission to the American Legion Auxiliary Kentucky Girls State and Western Kentucky University to use photographs including my daughter,

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Participant's name)

Signature of Parent/Guardian \_\_\_\_\_

**American Legion Auxiliary Department of Kentucky**

**ALA Kentucky Girls State**

**Policy on ALA Girls State Social Networking and Media Use**

The American Legion Auxiliary Department of Kentucky recognizes and supports its ALA Girls State participants' rights to freedom of speech, expression, and association, including the use of online social networks. In this context, however, each delegate must remember that participating in the ALA Girls State program is a privilege, not a right. As a delegate, you represent the American Legion Auxiliary and are expected to portray yourself, your school, and the Auxiliary in a positive manner always. Any online postings must therefore be consistent with federal and state laws, Western Kentucky University rules, and ALA Girls State rules, regulations, and policies (including the Guidelines listed below).

Guidelines

If you participate on a social networking site or use social media, you must keep the following guidelines in mind:

- Everything you post is public information—any text or photo posted online is completely out of your control the moment it is posted—even if you limit access to your site. Information (including pictures, videos, comments, and posters) may be accessible even after you remove it.
- Think before you post. If you feel angry or enthusiastic about a subject, it is wise to delay posting until you are calm and clear-headed. Post only pictures and comments that you would be comfortable sharing with the public.
- Use caution when adding someone or inviting someone to be a friend (this includes TAL Boys State citizens).
- Limit information about your whereabouts and plans to minimize the potential of being stalked, assaulted or the victim of other criminal activity. Post about where you have been, not where you are going.
- What you post may affect your future. Many colleges' admissions officers and employers review social networking sites as part of their overall evaluation of an applicant. Carefully consider how you want people to perceive you before you give them a chance to misinterpret your information (including pictures, videos, comments, and posts).
- Like comments made in person, you should be respectful online. The American Legion Auxiliary will not tolerate disrespectful comments and behavior online, such as:
  - Derogatory or defamatory language and/or images.
  - Comments that create a danger to the safety of another person or that constitute a credible threat of serious physical or emotional injury to another person should be reported immediately to the Director or Chairman.
- Take the high ground. Do not pick fights or engage in fights online.
- Respect yourself; respect others; respect the American Legion Auxiliary Kentucky Girls State program.

Monitoring and Consequences

The American Legion Auxiliary reserves the right to have ALA Girls State staff members review and/or monitor delegates' social networking sites and postings.

Any violation of law or of the rules of Western Kentucky University and American Legion Auxiliary Girls State's rules, regulations or policies, or evidence of such violation in your online content, is subject to investigation and possible immediate censure by the American Legion Auxiliary Girls State staff and/or law enforcement agencies. Internal consequences may include, but are not limited to, notice to remove the content and dismissal from the ALA Girls State program.

As an American Legion Auxiliary Kentucky Girls State participant, I attest that I have read, understand, and agree to abide by this policy:

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Signature of Participant

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Printed Name of Participant

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Signature of Parent/Guardian/Responsible Adult if the above is a minor.

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Printed Name of Parent/Guardian/Responsible Adult

Date Signed: \_\_\_\_\_

*A signed copy is required prior to participation and a copy retained by the American Legion Auxiliary Kentucky Girls State program.*