



**AMERICAN LEGION AUXILIARY**  
**DEPARTMENT OF CALIFORNIA**  
**GIRLS STATE PROGRAM**  
**2021-2022**



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Hello Beach Volleyball Team!

**Unit Girls State Chairperson To Do List:**

- Use the Transportation Fee Transmittal Form to submit bus fees to the Department Office in San Francisco by **June 1, 2022**.
  - Check the [2022 Reservation List](#), Column O for your Unit’s transportation fee. Password “beachvolleyball” (no quotation marks). The San Diego and San Bernardino bus cost is \$200/delegate. The other buses cost \$150/delegate.
- Verify the name(s) of your delegate(s) [here](#). Enter a date in column F if the name is correct. If there are any changes, please contact me immediately.
- Check the [2022 Reservation List](#) to ensure your delegate has met vaccination requirements. A red “y” in Column K means the delegate **MUST** submit an updated COVID-19 Vaccination Record Card.
- If you do not have two alternates, continue to identify students. Ask the selected delegate, last year’s candidate, ASB or club counselors, or nearby schools that are not yet sponsored for recommendations. **If the delegate drops for ANY reason, fees will NOT be refunded.**
- Remind eligible candidates to begin the [Samsung Scholarship application](#) process now while school is still in session.
- Remain connected with selected candidates to discover any questions or concerns that may arise.

**Transportation:** Buses have been chartered for all delegates who attend a school more than two hours away from Sacramento State.

- The bus company requires passengers to wear face masks at all times while on board the bus.
- The bus cost for the Department is the same whether or not the bus is full. If delegates choose not to ride the bus, we lose the delegate's (or Unit's) contribution to the bus fee while Department pays the fixed cost. There is already a \$870 deficit for transportation.
- There is not a one-way fee. If a delegate needs to fly there or back due to a conflict with riding the bus to or from the session, but would like to ride the bus one of the directions, the bus fee remains the same.
- If a delegate chooses to ride the bus only one way or to not ride the bus at all, notify Assistant Director Sherry Core so we have an accurate list for bus chaperones.
- We will not provide transportation to/from the airport for delegates. We discourage the use of Uber, Lyft, or other similar types of non-supervised transportation for delegates.

- If your delegate is not on a bus route, but would like to ride a bus from Salinas or Fresno at a cost of \$125/delegate, please contact Assistant Director Sherry Core at [alacagsassistdir@gmail.com](mailto:alacagsassistdir@gmail.com).

**City ALA Liaisons:** We still need three more [City ALA Liaisons](#). Please spread the word!

**Reservations:** We are at 410 delegates! If your Unit would like to sponsor additional schools, please contact me. There is still room on each bus.

**Stoles:** ALA CA Girls State stoles and other items may be purchased now at [shopcagirlsstate.com](http://shopcagirlsstate.com).

**Delegate Preparation for 2022 Session:** The delegates receive emails with information for the 2022 session directly from the Chief Counselor, Director, Assistant Director, Nurse, and Department Chair. I will place copies of information relayed from the Chief Counselor in our [Resource Folder](#). Please refer all questions to 2022 ALA CAGS Staff so that consistent information is relayed to all delegates.

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- Assistant Director Sherry Core, [alacagsassistdir@gmail.com](mailto:alacagsassistdir@gmail.com) – transportation
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- Department Girls State Chair Allyn Kau, [alacagschair@gmail.com](mailto:alacagschair@gmail.com) - application, vaccination

Thank you for your patience, faith, and all your work!

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## COVID-19

On April 1, California State University, Sacramento lifted its requirement for vaccine verification or proof of negative tests for attendees at Indoor Mega Events and moved that requirement to a **strong recommendation** (bolded by the University in its policy). Not only do they strongly recommend programs verify vaccination due to the high risk for COVID-19 transmission, they continue to recommend that everyone on campus be vaccinated. On May 5, we were informed by TAL CABS that they decided to give their Districts a 7-day window to add unvaccinated delegates.

**ALA CAGS will not change its vaccination requirement for the 2022 ALA CAGS session.** ALA CAGS will continue to follow the University's recommendation that all participants are vaccinated as well as comply with its strong recommendation to verify vaccination.

- The University has the authority to enforce a stricter policy anytime up to or even during the session. We determined a policy with the safety of all participants at the forefront, independent of the University which also needs to consider their economic viability.
- Anyone who has symptoms (for which the nurse frequently treated delegates prior to the pandemic - sore throat, runny nose, headache) must be tested for COVID-19.
- Anyone who tests positive must be removed from the campus immediately.
- We are not refunded any costs for testing, transporting ill delegates, or payments.
- Some delegates will be riding a bus together for hours to get to the session.
- COVID-19 is highly transmissible and we have students from throughout the state (with varying degrees of COVID-19 community levels) that will be housed and eating together.