



**AMERICAN LEGION AUXILIARY  
DEPARTMENT OF CALIFORNIA  
GIRLS STATE PROGRAM  
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April 2022

**Still accepting 2022 Reservations [here!](#)**

Hello Beach Volleyball Team!

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

- Check the [2022 Reservation List](#). Password “beachvolleyball” (no quotation marks).
  - If there is a school listed that will not be participating, please let me know ASAP.
  - Ensure all selected candidates have completed the application (columns E-G).
  - Verify fees have been received by Department (columns L-N).
- Contact your candidates to verify they will comply with the COVID-19 vaccine requirement.
  - Second dose received prior to June 12.
  - If second dose was received prior to January 15, 2022, booster received prior to June 26.  
You only have until **April 15** to contact me if your selected candidates are not willing to comply, you do not have any replacement candidates, and you would like a refund of Unit fees.
- If you do not have two alternates, continue to identify students. Ask the selected delegate, last year’s candidate, contact the ASB or club counselors, ask at nearby schools that are not yet sponsored. **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.
- Submit your Unit GS End of Year Report to your District GS Chair by April 16.

**Transportation:** Director Tammy Sollazzo and Assistant Director Sherry Core have been working with the bus company and will provide information as soon as it is available. See Tammy’s [email](#).

**Reservations:** We are at 385 schools with at least one selected candidate application submitted! Units have contacted me for extensions for 19 additional schools. I still need information for 56 schools on the Reservation List. Reservations remain open. We want to accommodate as many schools as possible for the 2022 session. Please contact me if your Unit is willing to assist financially with sponsoring an interested school or if you know interested students who attend a school that has not yet been sponsored. Only one student per school may attend to increase diversity, maintain equity, and broaden our reach, as thousands of high schools in CA are not yet represented.

**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 will receive an email at the email address they submitted on their online application before May 15 with a packing list, instructions for submitting bills, and other information they will need for the 2022 Session.

**Next Zoom:** Tuesday, April 19 at 7:00 p.m.

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89962535140?pwd=amlWc0RPcCs1ME56aGx3bWVjSER0QT09>

Meeting ID: 899 6253 5140 Passcode: 091536

[Recordings of past Zooms](#)

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

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## FAQs

### **Did you receive my application?**

Candidates usually receive an automated response when they submit their application. The daily quota for the automated response was exceeded on March 31, and they may not have received that automated response if they submitted on the deadline. I do not respond directly to candidates asking if their application was received because Unit and District Chairs can verify that on the Reservation List and I'm inundated with other questions and emails. I will respond to Unit and District Chairs.

### **Is my application complete?**

It will take weeks to verify all the signature pages, COVID-19 vaccination dates, medical insurance information, and application completeness. I will contact candidates and copy the Unit Chairs if there is anything missing.

### **Our delegate and alternates can no longer attend. They did not understand the vaccination requirements. Can our Unit get a refund?**

Generally, there are no refunds. The vaccination requirements are specified in the Unit Information Packet, Parent/Guardian Packet, and online application, along with follow-up emails to Unit Chairs and candidates. Because this is the first year with the strict COVID-19 vaccination requirement, if I am contacted before April 15, we will issue a refund. After April 15, no refunds will be issued to Units for any reason. There are program costs that cannot be recouped. The Unit should identify alternates to ensure that if a delegate cannot attend due to a death in the family, illness, COVID-19 exposure, or any other valid reason, there will be another student who will replace the delegate.

### **We added a new school or requested an extension. The online application says that it is no longer accepting responses. Can you open the application for us?**

The delegate and alternate online applications remain open. If students are having difficulty, usually it is because they are signed into a Google Account associated with their school email address (even if they enter their personal email address on the online form), which prevents the required uploads.

Go to google.com.

Click on the icon in the upper right corner to the right of the waffle (3x3 dot grid).

Make sure there are no other accounts signed in.

They also need to follow the file size limits listed on the form (10MB for each signature page and 1MB for vaccination card and photo). Please ask them to email me if they have any difficulty.