



AMERICAN LEGION AUXILIARY
DEPARTMENT OF WASHINGTON
EVERGREEN GIRLS STATE



Dear Principal, Counselor, or Junior Class Advisor

Your local American Legion Auxiliary Unit is preparing to select citizens for the 2010 session of Evergreen Girls State. This year our session will be held June 13th through June 19th, 2010, on the campus of Central Washington University, in Ellensburg.

Your cooperation in this process is vital. The American Legion Auxiliary Unit in your area may need the assistance of your faculty in the selection process. If a member of an American Legion Auxiliary Unit has not contacted you by March 1, 2010, please contact our Department office at (360) 456-5995.

The success of any program, especially one as intensive as ours, depends upon the quality of the participants. It is necessary that the following be considered: *leadership; willingness to cooperate; interest in government; scholarship; and community service.* Knowledge of parliamentary procedure is helpful as well. Attendees to Girls State should be exemplary representatives of your high school. Final citizen selection, however, is the responsibility of the sponsoring American Legion Auxiliary Unit from your area.

Only the number of girls each American Legion Auxiliary Unit is willing to sponsor determines the number of citizens allowed from each school. Since the cost is \$250 per girl, American Legion Auxiliary Units may be limited to the number of citizens they can afford to send. Often, school or community groups help with the expenses.

If you have any questions about the program, please contact me at the email address listed below and I will be glad to send you any information you may need. Additional information may also be found on our web site at: www.walegion-aux.org Please encourage all applicants interested in the American Legion Auxiliary Evergreen Girls State program to examine our information!

A sample application and additional information are enclosed. **Please copy and distribute this information to all junior girls in your school.** Everyone should be given an equal opportunity to apply to Evergreen Girls State. Thank you for your cooperation and participation in this program! We appreciate all of your time and effort!

Sincerely,

Andrea Dobson

Andrea Dobson, Director
Evergreen Girls State
American Legion Auxiliary
adobson@quicktel.com