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Still Accepting 2021 Reservations!
Zoom Practice – Saturday November 14, 10:00 a.m. or 7:00 p.m.
Girls State Alumnae Foundation Grants – Due November 30th

Hello Fellow Suffragettes!

Thank you for submitting your reservations for 2021 ALA CA Girls State! We have 514 schools reserved from 28 Districts and 149 Units. You can see your reservation at cagirlsstate.org/units-districts. Because schools drop for numerous reasons, we need about 600 reservations to fill our 2021 session to its capacity of 540 delegates. We will continue to accept reservations via the Google Form at forms.gle/3PhMxT2ZFNn8JMxPA. The PDF fillable form is available at calegionaux.org/girls_state. The Youth Programs Brochure is also on that webpage, which you can share with your schools to give them more information about ALA Girls State.

Please remember that the Girls State Alumnae Foundation offers grants each year. Unit Girls State Chairpersons can find applications at cagsaf.org/grants.html. If you have any questions about the grants, please email info@cagsaf.org.

We will be holding our Committee Meeting October 23-24 via Zoom. If you have any issues that you would like the Committee to address, please email me at alacagschair@gmail.com or call me and I will add those items to the agenda. Unit Information Packets will be available by November 8.

One challenge this year will be selecting candidates for the 2021 Session. Last year, most candidates were already selected prior to the pandemic. We were able to communicate to the selected delegates via email, text, and phone. This year, many schools may still be online during your selection process. Even if students are attending school in person, it may not be safe for you to conduct interviews in person. Even if you can conduct interviews in person, much of the facial expressions may be lost behind a mask. One possible solution is to conduct interviews via Zoom. Many students have used Zoom or similar video conferencing applications for school during the pandemic. Many of us learned how to use Zoom to participate in the 2020 ALA CA Girls State Town Hall. For those who have never used Zoom, I will schedule Zoom meetings on Saturday, November 14 at 10:00 a.m. and at 7:00 p.m. This will allow anyone who has never used Zoom to attempt to log into a Zoom meeting and see how it works. Anyone having difficulty logging in can call or text me and we can walk through the process. It will be fun for me to match a face with names I have seen only via email, text, or phone! If that date or those times do not work for you, please let me know and we can schedule a different time to practice.

Google Meet and phone interviews are other options. This year will require some flexibility and creativity. Though in-person interviews are often preferred, we can utilize other methods to select candidates and keep ALA CA Girls State running strong for its 78th Session!

Please do not hesitate to contact me if I can help you in any way!

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