

**American Legion Auxiliary  
O'Connor-Doyle Unit #633  
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**1 December 2023**

**Dear Empire Girl State Applicant,**

The 2024 Empire Girl State session will be held at the State University of New York at Brockport, Brockport, New York, 14420 Sunday, June 30, 2024 – Saturday, July 6, 2024.

The American Legion Auxiliary, O'Connor-Doyle Unit #633 Empire Girl State Selection Committee is beginning the process to select their one 2024 delegate and one alternate. Our candidate must possess outstanding qualities of leadership, character, honesty, scholarship, cooperation, and maturity.

During the session the "Girl State citizens will build the government of a mythical 51st state from the local level up to the state level. They will participate in campaigns, rallies, speeches, platform, and various legislative committees and create bills. The students will come as strangers and leave as friends, confident of their role and duties as citizens in a democratic society."

We strongly affirm that during the session, the Board may dismiss any girl for violation of rules of the State. In such case, any fees that have occurred will not be refunded.

If you are interested in being considered for selection, we ask that you write an essay of no more than 100 words detailing your knowledge of the American Legion Auxiliary, your community service, and extracurricular activities. Please submit it to Mrs. Lisa Mackey in the Guidance office no later than January 8, 2024. The Guidance office will provide the selecting committee with any academic information that may be needed for selection interviews.

Interviews will be held January 22, 5:15pm to 8:30pm at the Center of Highland Falls  
264 Main Street Highland Falls (across from the Highland Falls Post Office).

Final selection for the delegate and alternative will be announced January 29, 2024. The Board of Directors reserves the right to accept or reject any application for citizenship in the Empire Girl State.

Please contact Ms. Ann Molina, local ALA President, to schedule your interview,  
Email your interest to [thecenterathighlandfalls@aol.com](mailto:thecenterathighlandfalls@aol.com).

Respectfully,

The American Legion Auxiliary #633 Selection Committee