

**AMERICAN LEGION AUXILIARY
TEXAS BLUEBONNET GIRLS STATE
PROGRAM ENGAGEMENT PLAN
2024 - 2025**

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ALA Texas Bluebonnet Girls State is an outstanding, unique, nonpartisan, and coveted educational opportunity for the young women of Texas that instills the basic ideals and principles of government through responsible citizenship and leadership training. This mythical 51st state affords these young ladies (finishing their 3rd year of high school) the opportunity to learn firsthand how their state and local governments operate. The citizens of Girls State are assigned to a City, the House or the Senate, and the National or Federal Party. Within this framework, the young women elect city, county, state, and party officials and assume the responsibilities of their roles as senators and representatives.

- ALA TBGS provides information about the American Legion Auxiliary and offers membership opportunities to eligible Girls State citizens (past and present) and their families.
- College Scholarships are available to Texas Girls State Citizens. Before the session, delegates will be informed about the Samsung Scholarship opportunity. The Cindy Mae Scholarship is awarded to a deserving citizen of ALA Texas Bluebonnet Girls State each year.
- ALA TBGS will continue to increase awareness and visibility of the Girls State Experience by maintaining the current Website (www.girls-state.org), Facebook Page, and Instagram Account.
- ALA TBGS will stay current on the latest ALA Girls State programming and best practices with regular communication between Units and Girls State leaders around the country.

IMPORTANT!

The ALA Texas Bluebonnet Girls State Session will convene on the campus of Texas Lutheran University in Seguin, Texas. It will begin on Sunday, June 15, 2025, and conclude on Saturday, June 21, 2025. More specific ALA TBGS Information and Instructions will be available in January 2025.