



**National Council Delegate  
Board of Directors Interest Form**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

I am interested in serving as a National Council Delegate for Girl Scouts of Western Ohio\* and agree to the following criteria (check all that apply).

- I am available to attend the entire National Council Session, which will be held in Orlando, Florida, October 21-25, 2020, and agree that if I cancel, I will reimburse the council for expenses that cannot be recovered.
- I am committed to attending council and GSUSA training webinars in order to be as informed as possible about the issues and democratic process used at the National Council Session.
- I am willing to support all the decisions of the National Council.

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Please return completed form to your board folder or send to Cheryl Drinnen no later than June 30, 2019.

\*Preference will be given to those individuals serving on the Board of Directors at the time of the 2020 National Council Session.

Every three years, Girl Scouts from all over the country gather at the National Council Session and Convention to reinvigorate our membership, deepen our commitment to our Movement, and celebrate our successes. Together we will:

- Engage in conversations on important topics facing Girl Scouts and all girls.
- Participate in an array of educational and inspirational opportunities.
- Network, mingle, and renew friendships, while we celebrate the work we do together

The 2020 National Council Session/55<sup>th</sup> Convention in Orlando, Florida, promises to honor our cherished traditions and, at the same time, propel the Movement forward for girls and young women. In addition to conducting the business of the Movement, GSUSA will host G.I.R.L. 2020, October 23-25. The mega event will provide attendees with unforgettable experiences as they gain inspiration, tools to empower themselves, and the know-how to lead change in their communities – connecting with some of the most influential women in the world along the way.

Every Girl Scout council is entitled to send a specified number of delegates (we'll learn later the number) to serve as voting members of the National Council to assume one of the major rights and most serious responsibilities in Girl Scouting, which include actively participating at the meeting in floor debates, and discussing and voting on proposals dealing with governance issues that further and ensure the mission of Girl Scouts. National Council Delegates and Alternates are selected by our Board Development Committee from the applications received. The applicants will then be presented on a single slate to our council membership for adoption during our election in March 2017. In order to be inclusive, Girl Scouts of Western Ohio pays National Council Delegate expenses. However, individuals selected may choose to pay all or a portion of the cost to attend. Information will be provided at a later date for those individuals interested in attending the National Council Session/Convention as a visitor.

The National Council is responsible for giving broad policy direction to the future of the Girl Scout Movement in the United States. Members of the National Council elect the National Board of Directors and the National Nominating Committee for the upcoming triennium, act on proposals directed toward the fostering and improvement of Girl Scouting, and receive a report from the National Board of Directors on its stewardship of the Movement in the past three years.

