

National Delegate

Volunteer Position Description



When you see the whole, your part makes sense.

The National Council of Girl Scouts of the USA (GSUSA) comes together in session every three years for the National Council Session (NCS). NCS is the business meeting where delegates from every council meet to discuss, debate, and vote on issues important to the Girl Scout Movement and elect national leaders for the next triennium. It's democracy in action, as delegates have a direct voice in shaping the future of Girl Scouts.

Alone we can do so little; together we can do so much!

As a National Delegate you'll get support from the Volunteer Support & Services and Governance Departments.

Know your role. Rock your role.

Here are some of the awesome things you'll do as a National Delegate:

- Carefully preparing for participation in the democratic process at the NCS
- Opening your mind to the opinions and situations of others during the meetings in order to better understand different perspectives and their impact on Girl Scouts
- Voting as conscience guides, keeping foremost in mind the well-being and future development of the entire Girl Scout Movement, and not of any one particular council or grouping of councils
- Promoting the organization's programs, services, and goals to your community

Grow your skills, grow your future.

Being a National Delegate helps you grow, too! You'll build skills like:

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| • Staying organized | • Participating in group discussions | • Being flexible and thinking on your feet |
| • Managing time | • Solving problems | • Understanding global perspectives |
| • Comprehending complex issues | | |

Great work starts with clear expectations.

- **Follow the Rules:** Comply with GSUSA Policies, Standards and Guidelines, Volunteer Essentials, Safety Activity Checkpoints, GSNEO Bylaws, and GSNEO Volunteer Policies.
- **Membership & Safety:** Be a current GSUSA member and pass the volunteer screening process, to help keep girls and volunteers safe. Costs for elected National Delegates attending the NCS will be paid for by GSNEO.
- **Communication:** Volunteers in this role need to be able to send and receive messages through email and text.
- **Term:** Delegates serve a three-year term.
- **Time Expectations:** National Delegates are expected to attend NCS, a five-day convention held in the summer every three years. Participation in preparatory meetings in the spring is also expected.
- By taking this volunteer position with Girl Scouts of North East Ohio, I promise to follow the Girl Scout Promise and Law. I will keep all Girl Scouts information about members, volunteers, and staff private and respectful.