

2011 South Dakota Girls State Program

The University of South Dakota

May 30 – June 4, 2011

MONDAY, MAY 30

- 8:30 a.m.** Counselors Breakfast
- 9:00 a.m.** All Counselors Meeting – Muenster University Center Dining Room
- 11:30 a.m.** Staff Lunch – Muenster University Center Dining Room
- 12:15 p.m.** Junior Counselors meet with Governor Erin Williams and plan mixer – Muenster University Center Dining Room
- 1:00 – 4:00 p.m.** Registration – Muenster University Center Dining Room
Check with city counselors, get acquainted with one another, and meet Governor Erin Williams
- 4:00 p.m.** City Mixers
- 5:00 p.m.** Flag Ceremony – St. Paul
Counselors will arrange cities
- 5:15 p.m.** Dinner
- 6:15 p.m.** Meet prior to City Meeting. Your counselor will give you some instructions. We have just one week here, so make every effort to become acquainted with the girls of your city tonight. This will help you to get an early start on your work tomorrow.
- 7:45 p.m.** Cities to sit in assigned section – Slagle Auditorium
- 8:00 p.m.** General Assembly – Slagle Auditorium
Call to Order by Girls State Governor – Erin Williams
Presentation of Colors – Garretson American Legion Family (Legion, Auxiliary and Junior Auxiliary)
The National Anthem
Pledge of Allegiance
Opening Prayer – Los Angeles
Girls State citizens oath: The Honorable Arthur J. Rusch, Circuit Court Judge
Greetings:
 2010 Girls State Governor – Erin Williams
 American Legion Auxiliary – Department President Sue Christensen
 USD Student Government Association – Colin Michels, President
 Department Girls State Director/Chairman – Cheryl Hovorka
Introduction of Journalism City – Jessica Kokesch
Senior Counselor Introductions – Maggie Van Bockern
Song, “Here’s To Girls State” – Senior Counselors
Junior Counselor Introductions – Maggie Van Bockern
The Honorable Kristi Noem, United States House of Representatives
Military Tribute – Paul Evenson, National Executive Committeeman, Garretson American Legion
Closing Prayer – Los Angeles,
Retiring of Colors – American Legion Family (Garretson Legion, Auxiliary and Junior Auxiliary)
- 10:30 p.m.** Vespers
- 11:00 p.m.** Lights Out

TUESDAY, May 31

- 6:00 a.m.** USD ROTC Physical Fitness/Group Run
- 7:00 a.m.** Good Morning!
- 7:20 a.m.** Flag Raising – New York
Attendance is required and roll will be taken.
- 7:30 a.m.** Breakfast. Citizens go to meals according to time schedule on page 55.
- 8:30 a.m.** General Assembly – Slagle Auditorium
Advancing of Colors – Minneapolis
Pledge of Allegiance
Opening Prayer – Philadelphia
Song, “Here’s to Girls State”
John (Jack) Powell, Mayor, City of Vermillion
Marty Jackley, SD Attorney General
The Honorable John Thune, United States Senate
Citizen’s panel questions: New York, Chicago, Philadelphia
Announcements of law class and law enforcement: Governor Erin Williams
Closing Prayer – Philadelphia
Retiring of Colors – Minneapolis
- 9:30 a.m.** City Meetings immediately following assembly (centerfold has room numbers)
Circulate nominating petitions for city officials: mayor and council members.
Petitions must be turned in at headquarters office located at 105 Dakota Hall by 11:00 a.m
- 11:00 a.m.** Talent Auditions, if finished with city petitions – Old Main (Farber Hall)
- 11:30 a.m.** Lunch–New York, Chicago, Philadelphia, Detroit, Los Angeles, Cleveland, Baltimore
City Elections voting–St. Louis, Boston, Washington, St. Paul, Minneapolis, Seattle, Miami
– Arts & Sciences Tech Rooms 101 and 102
- 12:45 p.m.** City meeting resumes – report on city election results. City government organized. Swear in officials.
Appoint special officers for Girls State Cities, such as health commissioners, city auditor, etc.
Consider resolutions and ordinances for city government.
- 2:00 p.m.** Law and Court Procedure Class presented by Professor Chris Hutton, USD School of Law –
Muenster University Center Dining Room
Law Enforcement Class presented by Leon Cantin– Old Main (Farber Hall)
(Citizens must attend one or the other presentation)
- 3:00 p.m.** Bar examination – MUC Ballroom
Law Enforcement examination – Old Main (Farber Hall)
(Citizens must take one or the other examination. Results will be posted in the Residence Halls.)
- 3:30 p.m.** Talent Auditions – Old Main (Farber Hall)
- 4:00 p.m.** Pictures of Mayors, Journalism City and all Girls State Staff – Slagle Auditorium
- 4:15 p.m.** City group pictures: Senior counselors and Junior counselors with their cities –Slagle Auditorium
- 5:20 p.m.** Flag Lowering— New York
- 5:25 p.m.** Dinner
- 6:30 p.m.** Chorus: Ethel Cooper – Slagle Auditorium
Junior Counselors meet with Governor Erin Williams – Muenster University Center Dining Room
Staff meeting – Muenster University Center Dining Room
Leadership Class: Jill Tyler – Beacom Hall 117

8:00 p.m. General Assembly – Slagle Auditorium
Advancing of Colors – St. Louis
Pledge of Allegiance
Opening Prayer – Detroit
Song, “*Here’s to Girls State*”
Introduction of Mayors
Flag Etiquette – USD ROTC
Parliamentary Procedure demonstration
Girls Nation Report
Citizens’ Panel Questions – Detroit, Los Angeles, Cleveland
Assignment of political parties – Governor Erin Williams
Talent
Closing Prayer – Detroit
Retiring of Colors – St. Louis

Immediately following General Assembly:

Meeting concerning Keynote Speaker auditions – Slagle Auditorium
Keynote speakers present the party platforms during Thursday general assembly at 8:00 p.m.

9:00 p.m. County Vespers

11:00 p.m. Lights Out

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 1

- 6:00 a.m.** USD ROTC Physical Fitness/Group Run
- 7:00 a.m.** Good Morning!
- 7:20 a.m.** Flag Raising – Chicago
- 7:30 a.m.** Breakfast
- 8:30 a.m.** Meet in county rooms. (*Centerfold has room numbers*)
Discuss functions of county government and officials' duties. Pass out non-partisan petitions for circuit judge. Candidates for this office must have passed Bar exam. These petitions may be circulated at large within the county. Hand petitions in to the city auditor with five to ten signatures. Junior Counselors turn them in to Headquarters office by 9:30 a.m. Reports of party nominations for county and state legislative positions shall be turned in to Headquarters Office by 10:30 a.m.
- 9:30 a.m.** Assemble in county **political** units. Elect Feds and Nats county party officers:
Chairman, Vice-Chairman, Secretary-Treasurer, and three delegates. Nominate the following party officers: Sheriff (must have passed law enforcement exam), Treasurer, Auditor, State's Attorney (must have passed Bar exam), Register of Deeds, Coroner and four County Commissioners, (one from each district.) Nominate six State Senators and twelve Representatives from each party in each senatorial district or county. (The two are the same at Girls State.)
A. No candidate for supreme court justice, circuit judge, sheriff or state's attorney should become a member of the legislature because of conflicts with court proceedings. No candidate for county commissioner or state's attorney should be a candidate for another county office. A state's attorney cannot be a candidate for circuit judge.
B. Because the following officers will participate in court proceedings later in the week, they are not eligible to be nominated or elected as members of the legislature or any other county or state office: sheriffs, state's attorneys, supreme court justices, circuit judges, and county commissioners are not eligible to be elected to any other county office.
- 10:30 a.m.** General Assembly – Slagle Auditorium
Advancing of Colors – Baltimore
Pledge of Allegiance
Opening Prayer – Washington
Song, "Here's to Girls State"
Administer Oath of Attorneys – Angela Ericson, Assistant Dean, USD School of Law
South Dakota Democratic Party
South Dakota Republican Party
Citizens panel— Baltimore, St. Louis, Washington
Talent
Closing Prayer – Washington
Retiring of Colors – Baltimore
- 11:45 a.m.** Lunch
- 12:00 p.m.** Talent Auditions – Old Main (Farber Hall)
- 12:30 p.m.** Keynote speaker auditions for State Convention: Feds – MUC 211; Nats – MUC 216
- 1:00 p.m.** Assemble in county units to become acquainted with the candidates from each party.
- 1:30 p.m.** All citizens meet in County Room (centerfold has room numbers). (Staggered county elections)
Arts & Sciences Tech center rooms 101 and 102 – Senior counselors in charge.
- 2 – 4:00 p.m.** College/Career Fair – Muenster University Center Dining Room
- 3:00 p.m.** Swear in County Officials – County Rooms – Election results reported
Pass out petitions for State Primary Election, both partisan and non-partisan.
Petitions for supreme court judges are circulated and require 15 signatures from own district.
Other elected officials may not be candidates for supreme court justice. Other petitions require 15 signers in Girls State. (Governor requires 15 **from own party**.) State law says not less than two percent nor more than

five percent of the votes cast for the Governor in the last election by the party.

All nominating petitions must be filed in Headquarters Office by 6:30 p.m. Wednesday. All citizens may sign one Governor petition for their party.

For those delegates considering running for the governor of Girls State,

Please be aware of the following obligations:

- *speaker at the State American Legion Auxiliary convention in June*
- *presiding governor at following year's session of Girls State*
- *speaker, if invited, at various American Legion Auxiliary units*

- 3:30 p.m.** Joint Meeting of State's Attorneys, Sheriffs, Circuit Judges, Defendants and Defense Attorneys – Law School Courtroom
County Commissioners meet to organize Counties and discuss county business:
Dr. Michael Card, USD – Beacom Hall 207
Keynote Auditions: Feds – MUC 211; Nats – MUC 216
- 4:00 p.m.** Meeting of Circuit Judges – Law School Courtroom
Meeting of States Attorneys – Law School 101
Meeting of Defendants and Defense Attorneys – Law School 102
Meeting for Sheriffs: Sheriff Andy Howe – Law School Room 104
Forensic Investigation – Clay County Sheriff's Department – Beacom Hall 206 & 207
- 4:30 p.m.** Meeting of elected convention delegates – Muenster University Center Ballroom
- 5:00 p.m.** Tour of Law School – Law School Entrance – Open to all Girls State Citizens
- 5:20 p.m.** Flag Lowering – Chicago
- 5:30 p.m.** Dinner
- 6:30 p.m.** Chorus: Ethel Cooper – Slagle Auditorium
Staff Meeting – MUC Dining
- 7:30 p.m.** Party Caucuses:
Introduction of and brief speech by Primary Election Nominees for Governor
Feds – Al Neuharth Center
Nats – Muenster University Center Ballroom
- 8:15 p.m.** General Assembly – Slagle Auditorium
Advancing of Colors – Los Angeles
Pledge of Allegiance
Opening Prayer – Cleveland
Song, "*Here's to Girl's State*"
Introduction of Governor candidates and Keynote Speakers
Talent Night
Closing Prayer – Cleveland
Retiring of Colors – Los Angeles
- 10:30 p.m.** Vespers
- 11:00 p.m.** Lights Out

THURSDAY, JUNE 2

- 6:00 a.m.** USD ROTC Physical Fitness/Group Run
- 7:00 a.m.** Good Morning! *Convention Day (wear party t-shirts)*
- 7:20 a.m.** Flag Raising – Miami
- 7:30 a.m.** Breakfast –New York, Chicago, Philadelphia, Detroit, Los Angeles, Cleveland, Baltimore
- 7:30 a.m.** State Primary Elections voting –
Supreme Court Elections
St. Louis, Boston, Washington, St. Paul, Minneapolis, Seattle, Miami – Arts & Sciences Tech rooms 101 & 102
- 9:00 a.m.** General Assembly – Slagle Auditorium
Advancing of Colors – Cleveland
Pledge of Allegiance
Opening Prayer – Baltimore
Song, “Here’s to Girls State”
Dr. Michael Roche, USD criminal justice professor
Dustin Johnson, Chief of Staff, Office of the Governor
Citizens’ Panel questions: Boston, Seattle, Miami
Explanation of convention room set-up, introductions of Governor
and all state official candidates: Governor Erin Williams
Closing Prayer – Baltimore
Retiring of Colors – Cleveland
- 10:30 a.m.** State Political Conventions. **Feds** – Al Neuharth Center; **Nats** – Muenster University Center Ballroom
(Formulate platforms)
Initial Appearances: Circuit Judge, Defendant, Defense Attorney, State’s Attorney and Bailiff – Law
School Courtroom
Meeting for Sheriffs: Sheriff Andy Howe – Law School Room 103
Forensic Investigation – Clay County Sheriff’s Department – Beacom Hall 206 & 207
- 11:45 a.m.** Lunch
- 1:00 p.m.** State Convention reconvenes. Finish formulating platforms, Complete nominations
SD Highway Patrol Drug Dog Demo: Judicial and Law Enforcement Personnel – Slagle Auditorium
- 2:00 p.m.** Preliminary Hearing Preparation
Circuit Judges and Bailiffs – Law School 103
State’s Attorneys and Sheriffs – Law School 101
Defense Attorneys and Defendants – Law School 102
- 4:00 p.m.** Meeting for Supreme Court Justices to discuss appellate procedure, select a
Chief Justice, and receive briefs in cases to be argued – Law School 104
Forensic Investigation – Clay County Sheriff’s Department – Beacom Hall 206 & 207
Citizens’ Forum – Slagle Auditorium
Senate Caucus – Beacom Hall 208; House Caucus – Beacom Hall 133
- 5:20 p.m.** Flag Lowering – Miami
- 5:25 p.m.** Dinner
- 6:15 p.m.** Candidates for Governor and Governor’s Aides meet with Girls State Governor – MUC 211
- 6:30 p.m.** Chorus: Ethel Cooper – Slagle Auditorium
Leadership Class: Jill Tyler – Beacom Hall 117
Staff meeting – MUC Dining
- 8:00 p.m.** General Assembly – Slagle Auditorium
Advancing of Colors – Detroit
Pledge of Allegiance
Keynote Speakers address, introduction of candidates and presentation for platforms of both parties
Talent
“Meet the Candidates” Campaign
Governor candidates answer seven Journalism City panel questions
Retiring of Colors – Detroit
- 10:30 p.m.** Vespers
- 11:00 p.m.** Lights Out

FRIDAY, JUNE 3

- 6:00 a.m.** USD ROTC Physical Fitness/Group Run
- 7:00 a.m.** Good Morning! *Red, White and Blue Day*
- 7:20 a.m.** Flag Raising – Seattle
- 7:30 a.m.** Breakfast – St. Paul, Minneapolis, Seattle, Miami, Boston, Washington, St. Louis
- 7:30 a.m.** State General Elections voting –
New York, Chicago, Philadelphia, Detroit, Los Angeles, Cleveland, Baltimore –
Arts & Sciences Tech rooms 101 and 102
- 9:00 a.m.** General Assembly – Slagle Auditorium
Advancing of Colors – Philadelphia
Pledge of Allegiance
Opening Prayer – St. Louis
Song, “Here’s to Girls State”
Questions and Answers about the State of South Dakota: The Honorable Dennis Daugaard,
Governor of South Dakota
Panel of Citizens – Minneapolis, St. Paul, Journalism City
Talent
Closing Prayer – St. Louis
Retiring of Colors – Philadelphia
- 10:00 a.m.** Meeting of Circuit Judges and Baliffs – Law School Court Room
Meeting of Defendants and Defense Attorneys – Law School 133 (State Bar Room)
Meeting of State’s Attorneys and Sheriffs – Law School 103
Attorney General, attorneys interested in arguing cases before the Supreme Court, and all attorneys not
involved in Legislature or Circuit Court attend this session and meet to review
appellate procedure– Law School 104
Forensic Investigation – Clay County Sheriff’s Department – Beacom Hall 206 & 207
Organizational Meeting of Senate – Beacom Hall 208
Meeting of House of Representatives to swear in Speaker and organize House – Beacom Hall 133
Citizens’ Forum for ALL citizens not involved in House, Senate or court proceedings –
Slagle Auditorium
- 11:00 a.m.** Bills must be handed to member of legislature before 1:30 p.m.
- 11:45 a.m.** Lunch
- 1:00 p.m.** Comprehensive examination – report to city rooms
Set up County courtrooms
- 2:00 p.m.** Meeting of all lawyers, witnesses, and court personnel involved in circuit court proceeding (except Jury)
– Law School 101
Everyone must be at some meeting
Meeting of jurors for circuit court trial – Law School 102
Citizens’ Forum reconvenes – Slagle Auditorium
Forensic Investigation – Clay County Sheriff’s Department – Beacom Hall 206 & 207
Governor and Lt. Governor meet with all appointees and select issues for cabinet and boards to discuss
and write inaugural address – Beacom Hall 117
Meeting of Senate – Beacom Hall 208
Meeting of House of Representatives – Beacom Hall 133
Justices of the Supreme Court meet to select a Clerk and to prepare for court proceedings on Saturday
morning – Law School Courtroom
Attorneys arguing cases before the Supreme Court meet for assignment to
Supreme Court cases – Law School Courtroom
Girls Nation Interviews – Muenster University Center Boardroom 212

- 3:00 p.m.** Meeting of House Committee members – Beacom Hall 133
Meeting of Senate Committee members – Beacom Hall 208
Citizens’ Forum to testify before committees
Meeting of Attorney General and Supreme Court Chief Justice to sign bar and law enforcement admission certificates – Headquarters
Forensic Investigation – Clay County Sheriff’s Department – Beacom Hall 206 & 207
Tour County Courthouse Jail and Sheriffs – Meet at Law School Entrance – Sheriff Andy Howe
- 4:30 p.m.** Preparation for Inauguration – Slagle Auditorium (Required attendance of Governor, Governor – Elect, Supreme Court Justices, Cabinet and all other state officers)
- 6:00 p.m.** Flag Lowering – Seattle
- 6:10 p.m.** Banquet – Meal prayer by Journalism City
- 7:30 p.m.** Inauguration and Concert – Slagle Auditorium
Advancing of Colors – USD ROTC
Pledge of Allegiance
Girls State Chorus Concert
Inaugural Speech – Emily Firman Pieper, 1994 Girls State Governor
The Honorable Tami Bern, Magistrate Court Judge– swears in Girls State Chief Justice
Girls State Chief Justice administers oath of office to the other Justices, the Lieutenant Governor, and other constitutional officers and the Governor
Retiring of Colors – USD ROTC
- Adjournment
- 9:00 p.m.** Pizza Party and Jam Session with Junior Counselors – Muenster University Center Ballroom
- 11:30 p.m.** Lights Out

SATURDAY, JUNE 5

- 6:00 a.m.** USD ROTC Physical Fitness/Group Run
- 7:00 a.m.** Good Morning!
- 7:20 a.m.** Flag Raising – Boston
- 7:30 a.m.** Breakfast (Delegates involved in court proceedings eat first)
- 8:00 a.m.** Circuit Court in Session:
Seven separate court trials
Minnehaha – Law School – Davenport Evans Student Commons
Pennington – Law School – State Bar Room (133)
Codington – Law School – Dean’s Conference Room (245)
Beadle – Law School 101
Hughes – Law School 102
Brown – Law School 103
Brookings – Law School 104
Supreme Court in session – Law School Courtroom
Forensic Investigation, Observe Mock Trials – Clay County Sheriff’s Department – Beacom Hall 206 & 207
House in session – Beacom Hall 133
Senate in session – Beacom Hall 208
Citizens Forum – all unassigned citizens must attend – Slagle Auditorium
Meeting of Governor and appointed secretaries of each department and bureau heads – Beacom Hall 117
ALL CITIZENS MUST BE IN ATTENDANCE AT LEGISLATURE, COURT OR CITIZENS’ FORUM
- 9:30 a.m.** Circuit Court Wrap up – Law School 101
- 10:30 a.m.** City Rooms – final wrap-up
- 11:00 a.m.** General Assembly for everyone. New governor in charge – Slagle Auditorium
Advancing of Colors – Washington
Pledge of Allegiance
Opening Prayer – Minneapolis
Song, “*Here’s to Girls State*”
The Honorable Jean Hunhoff, South Dakota State Senate
Announcements and Awards: Senator Hunhoff and all staff
Closing Prayer – Minneapolis
Retiring of Colors – Washington
Flag lowering – Boston