



**REFERRAL FORM FOR
NATIONAL COUNCIL
DELEGATE
2023 NATIONAL
COUNCIL SESSION**

Girl Scouts of Nassau County, Inc.
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**Self-Referrals are also accepted.
The Board Development Committee will review all referrals received.**

Nomination is for the following position:

GSNC National Council Delegate

**All Referrals must be completed by January 14, 2022
to be considered for this year's slate.**

PLEASE TYPE OR PRINT CLEARLY.

Please complete the referral form and self-evaluation survey and return to:
Board Development Committee
Girl Scouts of Nassau County
110 Ring Road West, Garden City, NY 11530.

Mark envelope CONFIDENTIAL or scan and email to bdc@gsnc.org

Name			
Home Address			
City	State	Zip	Phone
Are you a registered member?		Current level of membership	
Service Unit			
Will you be 14 years of age or older by May 18, 2022?			
Are you a US citizen?			
Email address			

Applicant Self-evaluation

The following skills are required of a successful National Council delegate. Review your experiences and activities, rate your ability, and provide examples of how you may have demonstrated these skills. Use the following scale:

- 1 – This is an area where I know I need to learn and practice.
- 2 – I am eager to participate in training to develop my skills.
- 3 – I have some skills/experience, but still need to develop in this area.
- 4 – I understand my skills in this area and know when I need to ask for help.
- 5 – This is where I shine.

SKILL	RATING	EXAMPLES
Strategic Thinking: Demonstrates ability to contemplate long-term goals and objectives that advance the Movement as a whole and is future-focused.		
Communication: Expresses ideas and facts in a clear manner.		
Experience in Policy-influencing or Policymaking: Has participated in local council policy influencing or decision-making meetings; able to listen to different points of view from the membership and effectively summarize those ideas.		
Knowledge of Girl Scouting (local and national): Has experience in many levels and areas of Girl Scouting.		
Decision-making: Ability to analyze issues from a council and national perspective; demonstrates ability to weigh options and consider ramifications.		
Adaptability: Demonstrates flexibility when new information is brought forward; comes to the session informed, but not instructed.		
Team building: Promotes partnerships and has a commitment to the team approach; will support decisions of the National Council.		
Listening/Representation: Demonstrates ability to listen to others and collect input from all stakeholders.		

Why are you interested in serving as a National Delegate for our council?

Describe your knowledge of Girl Scouting at the local and national level, including any relevant Girl Scout positions you have held or events that you have attended.

How do you believe your experiences with both Girl Scouts prepare you to think strategically about the future of the Girl Scout Movement?

What experience do you have of creating opportunities to hear diverse perspectives and effectively summarizing those ideas?

What experience or interest do you have with policymaking or policy-influencing?

GENERAL RESPONSIBILITIES

National Council Delegate **(3-year term)**

- Ability to think strategically and focus on the future of the Girl Scout Movement.
- Experience and/or interest in policy-influencing and policy-making positions.
- Demonstrated knowledge and understanding of the workings of Girl Scout councils and the Movement.
- Ability to analyze issues from a national as well as a council perspective. National Council actions and decisions have Movement-wide implications.
- Commitment to attending council and GSUSA training sessions to be as informed as possible about the issues and democratic process utilized at the National Council Session.
- Willingness to support all the decisions of the National Council and to educate council members about the decisions made.

DUTIES OF A DELEGATE

1. **In advance of the National Council Session**, everyone elected by the council as a voting member/delegate to the National Council takes personal responsibility to:
 - **Study all items** on the agenda, including background information, and recommendations of the National Board of Directors.
 - **Attend briefing meetings** conducted by the council; participate in council, board, and association meetings; and participate in council forums and focus groups, as requested.
 - **Consider a broad spectrum of the opinions** of adult and older girl members from all parts of the council.
 - **Participate in teleconferences/webinars** for voting members sponsored by GSUSA.
 - **Engage in opportunities** to discuss, learn, and share ideas across the Movement.
2. **While attending the National Council Session**, each voting member is responsible for:
 - **Attending all business meetings** and participating in the proceedings.
 - **Being fully prepared** to participate in discussions and vote on all business items.
3. **Upon returning from the National Council Session**, each National Council voting member/delegate is prepared to:
 - **Report** at the council's annual meeting to the council board of directors, and the council's constituency (if requested by council board chair/president and CEO) on the National Council decisions and the reasons for such decisions.
 - **Share insights** on information gained at the National Council Session, if requested.
 - **Assist** the council as it prepares to participate in the next National Council Session, if requested.
 - **Participate** in teleconferences/webinars and other opportunities for voting members/delegates.