

## 2025-2026 Girl Board Overview & Timeline

### What is the Ex Officio Girl Board?

Serving as an Ex Officio Girl Board Member offers high school-aged Girl Scouts opportunities to learn real-world leadership skills. The executive-planning atmosphere will allow Girl Scout members to understand the inner workings of our organization and the ways in which the Board influences and supports the council. Members serve a one-year term and are selected by a volunteer selection committee.

### Eligibility:

1. Must be in 9th – 11th grade by application deadline, March 24, 2025.
2. If selected, cannot graduate from High School before Girl Board term ends in March 2026.

### Members are expected to attend:

- Girl Board Orientation
  - Wednesday, April 16, 2025 | 6:00 – 8:00 P.M.
- All Board of Directors Meetings
  - May 7, 2025 | 5:00 – 7:00 P.M.
  - September 2025 – March 2026
- Girl Board & CEO Cabinet Monthly Meetings
  - Second Saturday of each month 9:00 – 10:00 am, these may be subject to change
- Various events throughout the year as needed (e.g. Loteria, Battle of the Flowers Parade, Cookie Rally). Members volunteer/represent the Girl Board at these events.



### CEO Cabinet:

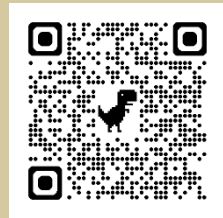
Girls that are not selected for the Ex Officio Girl Board may be asked to join the CEO Cabinet. The CEO Cabinet reports to GSSWT's Chief Executive Officer, Angie Salinas. Cabinet members attend the Second Saturday Girl Board meetings, help represent older girls at council events and participate in Girl Board trainings. This opportunity provides an insight into the Girl Board year and experience working with executive leadership.

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### How to Apply:

1. Complete the digital Girl Board application (link below & QR Code)
  - a. <https://gsswtx.wufoo.com/forms/pljek45m1emfx5j/>
  - b. Online application closes at 11:45 pm on Monday, March 24, 2025
2. Two Letters of Recommendation are required:
  - a. One letter from an adult other than a family member (teacher, counselor, etc)
  - b. One letter from an adult Girl Scout (co-leader, staff member, etc.)

Scan to Apply



**Please Note:** The online application includes a place to attach letters of recommendation. The council recognizes that letters of recommendation may not be ready when applying. Letters are not required to be submitted with the application, but must be received by the application deadline, March 24. To submit a Letter of Recommendation after your application, please scan and email to [customercare@girlscouts-swtx.org](mailto:customercare@girlscouts-swtx.org) with the subject: Girl Board Letter of Recommendation - YOUR NAME.

### Application Timeline:

Date	Action
January 2025	Girl Board Application posted to GSSWT website
<b>March 24, 2025</b>	<b>Girl Board APPLICATION DEADLINE – recommendations must also be in by this date</b>
March 31 – April 11	Girl Board interviews via Zoom
April 16, 2025	Girl Board Orientation at Sally Cheever Girl Scout Leadership Center, 6:00 – 8:00 pm - (dinner provided)
May 7, 2025	New Girl Board 2025-2026 announced at Board of Directors Meeting, 5:00 – 7:00 pm