

## 2026-2027 Girl Board Overview & Timeline

**DUE DATE**  
**March 16**

### 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 16, 2026.
2. If selected, cannot graduate from High School before Girl Board term ends in March 2027.

### Members are expected to attend:

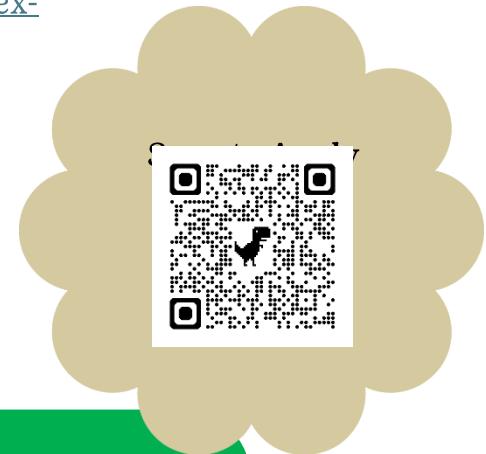
- Girl Board Orientation
  - Saturday, April 11, 2025 | 9:00 A.M. – 1:00 P.M.
- All Board of Directors Meetings
  - Saturday, May 2, 2026 | 9:30 A.M. – 12:00 P.M.
  - Saturday, September 19, 2026 | 9:30 A.M. – 2:00 P.M.
  - Wednesday, November 4, 2026 | 5:00 – 7:00 P.M.
  - Wednesday, January 13, 2027 | 5:00 – 7:00 P.M.
  - Saturday, March 6, 2027 | 9:30 A.M. – 1:00 P.M.
- Girl Board Monthly Meetings
  - Second Saturday of each month (these may be subject to change)
  - 9:00 – 11:00 am
  - 2026: May 9, June 13, September 12, October 10, November 14, December 12
  - 2027: February 13
- Various events throughout the year as needed (e.g. Loteria, Trefoil, Day of the Girl, Cookie Rally). Members volunteer/represent the Girl Board at these events.



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### How to Apply:

1. Complete the digital Girl Board application (link below & QR Code)
  - a. <https://gsswtx.wufoo.com/forms/20262027-ex-officio-girl-board-member-application/>
  - b. Online application closes at 11:45 pm on Monday, March 16, 2026.
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 (volunteer, staff member, etc.)



**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 16. 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 2026	Girl Board Application posted to GSSWT website
March 16, 2026	Girl Board APPLICATION DEADLINE – recommendations must also be in by this date
March 23 – April 2	Girl Board interviews via Zoom
April 11, 2026	Girl Board Orientation - 9:00 am – 1:00 pm - (lunch provided)
May 2, 2026	New Girl Board 2026-2027 announced at Board of Directors Meeting, 9:30 am – 12:00 pm