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Just so you will have some information -

Granite Girls State is a mythical State that is governed as close as we can get to our New Hampshire government. The girls selected learn by doing. We cover town, city, county and state government. The girls campaign and run for the various offices and once elected, run town, city, and county meetings, acting the roll that they were elected to. We hold elections, both the Primary and Gubernatorial on the State level and the Senators, House Representatives and Governor and Council hold sessions and work on bills the girls have written during the week. At the Graduation on Saturday, the Governor does her appointments to the various commissions and tells the joint session which bills she signed, vetoed and sent back for further study.

The girls that attend Granite Girls State usually bond very tightly and keep in touch with each other for years after they have attended. So it is not only a learning experience for the girls but a way to form lifelong relationships with others.

The cost for the 2019 Granite Girls State session is: \$50 processing fee that the girls are supposed to pay (we found that if the girls didn't have something invested, that they just didn't show up and of course, once the money is paid and we give the college a count, we can not return the monies.) (Some sponsoring Units/Posts pay the girls back that \$50 once they have attended.) The cost to the Unit (or Post or Squadron) is \$375 per girl. This covers room and board and the sessions. Any campaign materials are either brought with the girl or we do store runs everyday and we pick up what they need. We have, this year, a Financial Responsibility agreement that the parents of the girl should sign. This was written by a lawyer and is binding.

The 2019 session will be held at Franklin Pierce College in Rindge, NH the week of June 23 to 29.

Thank you for the interest you have shown to this very worthwhile program.

Application available in Guidance