

2026-2027 INFORMATION AND DEADLINE CHECK LIST FOR UNITS

AUGUST

August 1, 2026 – Department Programs Workshop – Waukee Holmes Murphy
August 17, 2026 – Walk For Veterans State Fair – Dept Office will be closed
August 28- September 3, 2026 – National Convention, Louisville, KY

SEPTEMBER

September 7, 2026 – Labor Day – Department Office is closed
September 18-20, 2026 – Girls State Conference, Indianapolis, IN
September 18-20, 2026 - Des Moines Homeless Veterans Stand Down

OCTOBER

October 1, 2026 – Girls State Unit Registration begins on Campwise
October 12, 2026 – Columbus Day Observance – Department Headquarters Office is closed
October 20, 2026 – Gold Club Membership Renewals are due in the Department Office
October 20, 2026 – Unit Obligation form and check due in the Department Office-Unit President received.
October 20, 2026– Poppy Orders due in the Department Office - **NO LATE ORDERS WILL BE ACCEPTED**
October 20, 2026 – ALAMIS Invoices due – Required for all users

NOVEMBER

November 11, 2026 – Veterans Day Observance – Department Headquarters Office is closed
November 16, 2026 – PUFL and Online reimbursement checks cut from the Department office.
November 26-27, 2026– Thanksgiving – **Department Headquarters Office is closed**

DECEMBER

December 4, 2026 – Department Christmas Open House
December 23-25, 2026 – **Christmas – Department Office is closed**

JANUARY

January 1, 2027– New Year's Day – Department Headquarters Office is closed
January 1, 2027 – If your membership is unpaid, you do not qualify as a member and will lose benefits like AEF.
January 1, 2027 – Girls State Citizen Registration Opens
January 1, 2027 – Junior Camp Registration Opens
January 15, 2027 – Spring District Conference forms due to the Department from District Presidents.
January 18, 2027 – Martin Luther King Day – **Department Headquarters Office is closed**
January TBD – Legislative day at the Capitol
January 31, 2027 – Membership is delinquent - (and loss of continuous years if turned in after this date to the National Office)

FEBRUARY

February 12,13,14, 2027 – Mid-Winter Conference, Airport Holiday Inn, Des Moines
February 17, 2027 – Presidents' Day – **Department Headquarters Office is closed**

MARCH

March 1, 2027 – All national scholarship applications are due online
March 15, 2027 – American Legion Birthday
March 31, 2027 – Girls State Registration for Citizens Closes.
March 31, 2027 – Junior Camp Registration for Campers Closes.

APRIL

April 1, 2027 – Girls State Staff and counselor applications must be in Campwise.
April 1, 2027 – Junior Camp Staff and counselor applications must be submitted.
April 15, 2027 – Unit Data Form – Direct Billing – on website under Unit Resources
April 15, 2027 – Girls State Unit Payments must be submitted in Campwise, ALL payments are ONLINE.
April 30, 2027 – 2027-2028 District, County, and Junior Officers forms due in the Department Office
April 30, 2027 – Unit Impact Reports due to County President. NOTE: All Unit Narrative Reports are to be sent to the appropriate Department Chairman for their reports and awards. These reports must be sent in to the appropriate Chairman by the deadline, or they WILL NOT be considered for judging. DO NOT send narratives to the Department Office. No Impact reports are accepted at the Department Office except for the 9 District Presidents.
April 30, 2027 – Last day to request a refund for Girls State
April 30, 2027 – Last day to request a refund for Junior Camp

MAY

May 15, 2027 – County Impact Records due to District Presidents

May 31, 2027 – **Memorial Day, Department Headquarters Office is closed**

JUNE

June 1, 2027 – Iowa Merit Award application packets due to the Department Education Chairman

June TBD, 2027 – Iowa Girls State at Drake University, Des Moines, IA

June TBD, 2027 – Junior Camp at Newton Christian Conference Center, Newton, IA

June 15, 2027– National Convention Delegates/Alternates/Guests/Hotel forms due in Department Office

June 15, 2027 – The top narratives chosen by the Department Chairmen due to the Department President

June 15, 2027 – Suggested Governing Document changes due to Sandy Deacon. Copies of suggestions are to be sent to the Department Office, Attention Crystal Wright. The 3-column form is on our website.

June 19, 2027 – Juneteenth – The Department Office is Closed

June 20, 2027 – Poppy Proceeds check and report due in the Department Office

June 30, 2027—Unit Officers form due to the Department Office. Send a copy to Incoming County and District Presidents

JULY

July 1, 2027 – Department Convention Delegates/Alternates forms due in the Department Office

July 5, 2027 – Observation of Fourth of July- The Department Office is Closed.

July 16-18, 2027 – Department Convention, Des Moines, IA - Installation of new officers

July 18, 2027 - Department Headquarters Office is closed

Please note: Many forms were in the Unit/County/District Packets distributed at Department/District/County Programs Workshops held in August 2026. Check out the ALA Newsletters for more valuable Auxiliary information. Also, check out our website: Programs and form information will be found on the website. Remember, all deadlines listed above are firm! www.iowaala.org.