

GUIDELINES  
**ZONE YOUNG WOMAN REPRESENTATIVE PROGRAM**  
Texas District Lutheran Women's Missionary League

**QUALIFICATION AND REQUIREMENTS**

1. Understands the object of the Lutheran Women's Missionary League—an auxiliary of The Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod -- which develops and maintains a greater mission consciousness among women through Mission Education, Mission Inspiration, Mission Service, and Mission Grants
2. Any mature young woman who is preferably between the ages of 22-35 years of age and a member of the LCMS
3. Is not required to be a member of an LWML Society at the time of nomination, but shall demonstrate a deep love for and devotion to her Lord Jesus Christ and be willing to participate in this program of the LWML upon being selected
4. Is able to be away from home and/or work for the Texas District LWML Convention (in even-numbered years), and as feasible, for speaking engagements to Societies within the Zone upon request. May serve as advisory member to the Zone Executive Committee. The term of the Zone YWR shall be two-years, beginning on November 1 of odd-numbered years.
5. Is willing to attend all sessions of the District Convention as well as special functions designated for Young Woman Representatives and will sit next to Zone President during convention proceeding without vote
6. Is willing to attend rallies, committee meetings, and other special functions of the Zone

**DISTRICT COMMITTEE ON YOUNG WOMEN REPOSIBILITIES**

Distribute information showing guidelines and responsibilities, with proper forms to Zone Presidents no later than October 1 of odd-numbered years.

**ZONE RESPONSIBILITIES**

1. Zone Presidents shall distribute proper ZYWR forms, with guidelines and responsibilities to Society Presidents as directed by the District Committee on Young Women.
2. The Zone executive board will select one or two (*zone option*) Young Woman Representative(s) and two alternates from these nominees and notify them by \_\_\_\_\_ (date set by zone). The Zone President or a Zone officer designated by the Zone President, is encouraged to assist the Zone Young Woman Representative(s) in becoming acclimated to LWML immediately after selection, and serve as a mentor to her/them.
3. Using the appropriate form, Zone Presidents shall submit to the chairman of the District Committee on Young Women, the name(s) and appropriate information relating to the selection(s) of the ZYWR by November 1 in the odd-numbered years or as soon as possible after selection is made.
4. Zones are strongly encouraged to reimburse the Zone Young Woman Representative for expenses (travel, lodging, food, registration) to attend the Texas District LWML Convention. District LWML guidelines shall apply. As appropriate, Zones may provide advances for these expenses.

5. The Zone President or her designated representative shall serve as hostess to the Young Woman Representative(s) during the District Convention.

### **SOCIETY RESPONSIBILITIES**

1. Each Society may nominate up to two young women not required to be a member of their congregation.
2. The Society President works with the nominee(s) in completing the "Information Form." Additionally, the Society President makes sure that the "Comment Form" is completed and that both forms are sent to the Zone President by \_\_\_\_\_ (date set by zone).
3. Individual Societies shall reimburse the ZYWR for speaking engagement travel expenses in their respective Societies.

### **YWR RESPONSIBILITIES FOLLOWING DISTRICT CONVENTION**

1. Keep an accurate and detailed record of expenses to be submitted upon request to the Zone officers.
2. Be willing to attend rallies, committee meetings, and other special functions of the Zone.
3. Assist churches in the Zone with program ideas and assist in forming new Societies.
4. Present a report of impressions and reactions of the District LWML Convention to the Zone Board of Directors (as well as the Zone Newsletter Editor, if applicable).
5. Is willing to write editorials for the Zone newsletter as requested by Zone President
6. Commit herself to being active in her local LWML and encouraging other young women to share her excitement.