



## of southwest texas **GSSWT Phenom Fact Sheet & Instructions**

Thank you for your interest in representing Girl Scouts of Southwest Texas at Phenom! The information below is provided with answers to frequently asked questions, as well as a guide through the application process.

### WHAT IS PHENOM AT WALT DISNEY WORLD®?

In July 2023, thousands of girls and their supporters from around the world will come together for the 56th National Council Session in Orlando, Florida. Phenom by Girl Scouts consists of exciting experiences in the Expo Hall and other fun and enriching programming following the National Council Session. Girl Scout attendees will have the pleasure of meeting special guests, attending the National Bridging ceremony and Gold Award celebration, as well as taking part in amazing activities and demos from July 20-22.

### FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

#### How can I apply?

1. Complete the application on our website listed as [Girl Application](#).
2. Submit your letter of reference by the **application deadline: March 6, 2023**

#### What is the selection process?

A carefully selected committee will review all applications and recommend a proposed slate of contingents. Anticipated announcement of selected contingents is April 2023.

#### Who can attend?

This event is open to all, including Girl Scout members, non-members, alums, and families. Follow the official [GSUSA National Convention](#) website for updates.

- GSSWT will pay the registration, travel, lodging and meals of our selected contingents only.
- GSSWT will not be sponsoring families or guests of contingents.

### ELIGIBILITY

- Be a registered member of Girl Scouts and member of GSSWT
- Be fourteen (14) years of age or older as of March 6, 2023

### APPLICATION PREVIEW:

*To help you prepare for the online application, here is a snapshot of the Girl Scout profile information and the short answer questions you will be asked. Strongly recommended to gather your information and draft your short answers prior to beginning the online process.*

#### Profile Information (fill in the blank or checkbox questions)

- Girl Scout community (A-Z) and Troop #
- Please check your Girl Scout leadership positions and activities (choose from list)
- Optional: Briefly list any Girl Scouts awards, leadership positions, or activities not already listed
- Check if you have earned or received committee approval for Bronze, Silver or Gold Award

#### Short answer questions (Limit responses to 1 paragraph max)

- Briefly list awards & describe (1-3 sentences max).
- Briefly list any other Girl Scout award/honors you've received or Girl Scout activities you'd like us to know about.

- Briefly list other extracurricular activities and/or leadership positions held outside of Girl Scouts (e.g., school, church, etc.), that you'd like us to know about.
- Why are you interested in attending the National Convention/Phenom?
- How do you hope to grow as a Girl Scout by attending?

### **HOW TO SUBMIT YOUR LETTER OF REFERENCE:**

For your application to be complete, your recommendation letter must be received by the application deadline!

You may submit in one of the following ways:

- **(Preferred) Email to Sabrina Rodriguez at [srodriguez@girlscouts-swtx.org](mailto:srodriguez@girlscouts-swtx.org)**
- Drop off in person to Sally Cheever Girl Scout Leadership Center in an envelope addressed to "ATTN: Phenom Application/Sabrina Rodriguez"
- Mail a hard copy to the following address. Reminder: All letters must be received in our office by the deadline. GSSWT will not be responsible for any delays caused by the postal service!

Girl Scouts of Southwest Texas

ATTN Phenom Application

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**APPLICATION DEADLINE: March 6<sup>th</sup>, 2023**

If you have additional questions, please email [customercare@girlscouts-swtx.org](mailto:customercare@girlscouts-swtx.org)