



September 9, 2017

Dear Zone President,

Attached is the **updated version** of the YWR Eastern District Application and Guidelines for Selecting a Young Woman Representative for the 2018 Eastern District Convention. **Note that the application is strictly for the Eastern District and not National.**

You will also be able to access both the application and guidelines on the LWML Eastern District website.

Below is the timeline:

- By **January 10th**, all societies need to turn in their applications to the Zone Executive Committees.
- Decision made by Zones by **January 25th**. Zone then informs YWR of their selection.
- Final selections should be given to Krystal Harmon Burton by **February 1st** so she can present them at the March BOD Meeting.

Any questions or concerns please contact me at 315-221-3683 or Harmon0726@gmail.com.

Please send final selection to:

Krystal Harmon- Burton
3237 Old State Route 49
Blossvale, N.Y. 13308



Eastern District Young Woman Representative Application

Name _____ Age _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip Code _____

Occupation _____ Church Membership _____

Telephone _____ Fax _____ E-mail _____

1) The LWML Motto is "Serve the Lord with gladness" (Psalm 100:2). How do you do this in your life?

2) What groups and activities are you involved in or have you been involved in at your church?

3) What do you know about the LWML? Have you been involved at any level?

4) Why do you desire to be a Young Woman Representative for the district?

5) What do you feel your special interests, talents, and gifts are?

6) Will you commit to serve in some capacity in your district after the convention?

7) Your district is making a financial commitment to send you to the LWML convention. It will be an exciting and spiritually inspiring event with very little free time. Do you intend to participate in the full scope of the convention?

Please have someone who knows you well, perhaps the person who encouraged you to apply, answer the following question, "Why do you feel this woman would make a good Young Woman Representative?" Have them attach this answer on a separate sheet of paper along with their name and relationship to you.

Please send final selection to Krystal Harmon-Burton, 3237 Old State Route 49, Blossvale, NY 13308

Guidelines for Selecting an LWML Young Woman Representative (YWR)

Any mature young woman, preferably 22-35 years of age, who is a member of the LCMS and has not previously attended a district convention as a Young Woman Representative may become a YWR.

A YWR candidate has a deep love and devotion for her Lord Jesus Christ and is willing to participate in the full scope of the convention.

A YWR candidate will fill out the application completely and honestly and return it to the zone by the date it is due.

A YWR candidate is willing to be away from home/work for the entire convention and the travel time involved.

The YWR should:

- have a strong relationship with her Lord. Her faith will encourage her as she participates in the convention and carries out her YWR duties and responsibilities;
- have some knowledge of the LWML. She will gain much from her national convention experience if she understands the basics of the organization. **Each zone should make an effort to provide education and information for the YWR prior to the convention;**
- know what is expected of her on the zone level after the zone convention, whether that is speaking engagements, attendance at zone events.
- have experience or potential in at least two of the following areas: speaking, leading, recruiting or encouraging. Since she will be expected to impact others with her convention experience, skills in these areas will be helpful; and
- have a desire to make a difference, be willing to assume the responsibilities given her by the zone, and serve in a sincere and dedicated manner. Enthusiasm to learn and be involved is a must!

What is expected of a Young Woman Representative?

- A YWR will attend all sessions of the convention, sitting with her zone delegation, though she will not be eligible to vote.
- A YWR will be asked to report on her convention experience either orally or in written form to the zone or society that nominated her.
- A YWR will commit to being involved in her local LWML as well as encourage other young women to be active in the LWML.

These guidelines are suggestions to empower your YWR program to have the greatest effect on the young women of your district. May the Lord lead and guide you in your selection process!