

CLEMSON UNIVERSITY

TO: Palmetto Girls State Delegates

RE: College Credit

Congratulations on your selection to attend Palmetto Girls State! Having worked myself with the Palmetto Boys State program in South Carolina for over twenty years, I can assure you that your experience will not only be memorable, but also unforgettable. Expressing that, I also wish to extend to you another unique opportunity: *How would you like to get a head start on your collegiate career while maximizing your experience at Girls State?*

Clemson University has partnered with **The ACE Network** and the Palmetto Girls State program to offer you college credit in conjunction with your participation this year. The course, titled ***Leadership, Citizenship and Community Service (ED 190)***, is a three credit hour course which can be transferred as elective credit to any university that you choose to attend. Understandably, accepted credit is a decision ultimately made by each specific institution. The ACE Network was founded by Girls State and Boys State programs throughout the nation simply to accomplish its namesake purpose to "*Advance Citizenship Experiences*" of Girls and Boys State participants in every state. This affordable and quality college course is one of the key proud accomplishments for this organization. Over 800 rising high school seniors just like you have taken advantage of this opportunity in the last three years. It is solely offered to Girls and Boys State "citizens."

Clemson University has continued its climb among the nation's best public institutions by placing 22nd in the annual ranking by U.S.NEWS & WORLD REPORT. As part of this partnership, Clemson University is offering the **3 credit course for only \$270**. This rate was negotiated down to less than **one fifth** of the current rate for South Carolina resident students for a 3-hour undergraduate class (\$1,404). In order to meet the requirements of this course, you must fully participate in the Palmetto Girls State Program as well as participate in the online course procedures. Some of the course expectations and assignments will be completed by you during the session while other requirements and assignments will be completed via distance education after you return home. Participation in the course will not detract from nor remove you from participation in any part of the program during the week. A course syllabus and other information can be found at the following link: www.ed190.com.

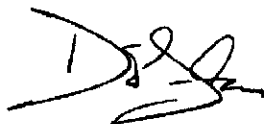
In order to register for the course, simply access the external website listed above. You may pay on-line using the secured **PayPal** feature. Or, you may complete the application form on the back of this letter and submit your payment via check to:

**The ACE Network
PO BOX 2243
Greenville, SC 29602**

To participate in the college course, you should complete course registration and payment before or during Palmetto Girls State registration. All coursework must be completed by July 23rd and grades will be posted at the conclusion of the Summer II session (August 6, 2010).

If you or your parents have any questions about the course, please feel free to contact The ACE Network at the web site above or call them at **(864) 884-7988**. Whether or not you choose to enroll in the course, I know that your week at Palmetto Girls State will be most rewarding.

Sincerely,



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