

MODEL UN

EXPLANATION

Model UN is an authentic simulation of the United Nations General Assembly and other multilateral bodies that catapult students into the world of diplomacy and negotiation. Model UN students take on the role of ambassadors to debate the current issues. The students, known as "delegates", prepare draft resolutions, plot strategy, negotiate with other "countries", and resolve conflict in a virtually peaceful manner.

SKILLS TO BE UTILIZED AND STRENGTHENED

Organized debate, public speaking, negotiation, conflict resolution, topical research, and writing draft resolutions. Valuable knowledge in the areas of international affairs, human rights, the environment, food scarcity, world hunger, economic development, history, geography, and many others.

OBLIGATION TO MODEL UN

You will be expected to attend the weekly meetings every Monday after school to practice speaking, debating, and resolution writing. A preparation of the topic prior to the weekly meeting (i.e. know what the topic is and have a loosely formed opinion on the topic). You will be awarded points throughout the year based on attendance to meetings and participation. These points will be tallied and, should the need arise, will be used to determine who will attend the conferences. Your attendance at all conferences is mandatory, and a reason of absence must be submitted prior to the conference. There will be a minimal (very minimal) cost to attend the conferences. We will be having a bake sell once every marking period to help raise money for these conferences, participation in these is greatly appreciated. Details for the conferences will be announced closer to the date.

I understand what is expected and will fulfill my obligations to, and will uphold the respect of the Model United Nations.

Signature: _____ Date: _____

Parent Signature: _____ Date: _____