

**Weymouth Public Schools
Field Trip / Off Campus
Request Form**

This form should be completed for any school activity conducted off school grounds. Please allow sufficient time (10 days minimum) for return notification of approval/denial of trip.



School: Weymouth High School Trip Coordinator(s): Katherine Wilbers + Michael Rasner
 Grade Levels: 9-12 Discipline/Course(s): WHS Model United Nations
 Destination: Place, Town and State: Boston Marriott Copley Place Boston MA
 Individual, Company or Organization Hosting/Conducting this trip: WHS model UN
 Date of Request: 10/29/19 Departure Day/Date/Time: Friday Feb 7th 2020 9:30am
 Number of Students: 10-15 Return Day/Date/Time: Sunday Feb 9th 2020 3pm



Check all that apply

Transportation: ☐ = Walking ☐ = Van ☒ = Town Bus ☐ = First Student Bus ☐ = Other _____

Names of Chaperones: *All chaperones must have a CORI check (overnight and/or out-of-state chaperones must be fingerprinted as well) ALL FIELD TRIPS REQUIRE 1 CHAPERONE PER 15 STUDENTS*

Katherine Wilbers Michael Rasner

Substitutes: Will substitutes be needed for this trip? ☒ = NO ☐ = YES If "yes", how many subs are needed? _____

Substitutes will be paid from: ☐ = School Budget ☐ = Grant Name _____
☒ = Open Treas ☐ = Other Source _____



Medical: Check with school nurse for student medical concerns/needs. no nurse needed 11.4.19
NURSE MUST INITIAL THIS FORM mm

Monetary Information: No Bus write N/A and No Cost write \$0.00.

# of Buses Needed for this Trip	TOTAL Cost of Buses	Admission/Fee Per Student	Amount EACH Student must pay
<u>1</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$550-\$570 see \$ sheet + deadlines</u>	<u>\$550-\$570</u>

Is there a source of funding to support this trip other than student contributions?

☐ = NO ☒ = YES If "yes", what is the source?

fundraising-selling cookies / dough

Attach a typed page to the form describing the purpose of your trip, your lesson and related activities that students will be participating in before, during and after their visit. **Answer 1) What is the learning objective? 2) What are the learning outcomes? (What students will be able to do or know as a result of the trip.) 3) How will the experiences/learning gained be assessed? Please attach any necessary support documents including lessons, an itinerary, etc. (Note: It is assumed that lessons align with the Massachusetts Frameworks, so listing standards is not necessary.)**

Supervisor/Lead Teacher: _____
 Principal: K. M...
 SPED Director (If Applicable): _____
 Grants Director (If Applicable): _____
 Asst. Superintendent: Nancy B...

Approved Date _____
 Approved Date 11/7/19
 Approved Date _____
 Approved Date _____
 Approved Date 11-8-19

☒ Overnight and out-of-state trips require School Committee Approval. Please allow additional time!
☐ APPROVED by School Committee (Date) _____

LOGISTICS OF TRIP

MODEL UNITED NATIONS TRIP FOR FEBRUARY 7th-9th, 2020

BOSTON INVITATIONAL MODEL UNITED NATIONS CONFERENCE

<http://www.bosmun.org/>

Introduction: After last year's successful conference trip to Eagle Model UN Conference with 12 students, this year we are planning a conference trip to a very similar location (Marriott Copley Place) for the Boston University Model UN Conference (BosMUN).

Who?

- 2 Chaperones (Mr. Rasner & Ms. Wilbers, the Co-Advisors of the WHS MUN)
- The trip is open Members of WHS Model United Nations Club. Early registration fee is due June 7th for those who want to confirm a slot on the trip. After that, we will evaluate if more space is available for regular registration. *Update: we have 10 registered and space for at least five more unless we get a larger bus.*

What? BOSMUN is a weekend Model United Nations conference. Boston Invitational Model United Nations, or BosMUN, is a three-day simulation of the United Nations held annually in February in downtown Boston. BosMUN is an entirely student-run organization on the Boston University campus, under the umbrella organization of Boston University's International Affairs Association, or BUIAA. BUIAA is home to a diverse group of students from all schools and colleges within BU, and presents those involved with a myriad of opportunities to engage in, including multicultural events and educational opportunities within the world of foreign affairs at large.

Where? Boston Marriott Copley Place, 110 Huntington Ave, Boston, MA 02116

When? Friday, February 7- Sunday, February 9, 2020.

How? (Transportation) We will be departing from WHS on Friday, February 7th at 9:30 AM for the Boston Marriott Copley. We will be returning to WHS on Sunday, February 9 at 3 PM.

Snow plans: As this conference takes place in February, we will be mindful of the forecast and work with the principal, assistant principal and superintendent to find a viable solution.

LEARNING OBJECTIVES OF TRIP

1. What is the learning objective?

Learning objective is to practice academic simulation of the United Nations where students pretend to be delegates of various countries to the United Nations. The committees are listed in an attached document.

2. What are the learning outcomes?

Through MUN debate, students will be able to debate, collaborate, research, learn leadership diplomacy skills as well as practice written communication all in a formal setting. Conference briefing papers will be made available for our delegates prior to the meeting. As always delegates are encouraged to do additional research.

The conference is intended to give each and every participant a chance to understand the function of the United Nations and an opportunity to simulate solving some of the world's most important and complicated problems. We will attend a wide variety of committees for high school delegates.

3. How will the experiences/learning gained be assessed?

It will be assessed because teachers are allowed in the rooms during debates. Also, we will be turning in position papers (each student will turn in one) 1 week prior to the conference. We will see how students engage in debates that talk about heavy topics. Moreover, students will do research prior to the debate. Also, BOSMUN will be giving awards to students. We will also meet after the conference in one of our weekly meeting in order to reflect as a group and individually.

(additional info packet
attached)

Conference Schedule

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 7 - SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 9: BOSMUN XIX

Friday, February 7:

9:00am – 4:00pm: School Registration

4:30pm – 5:30pm: Delegate Trainings

6:00pm – 7:00pm: Opening Ceremonies

7:00pm – 7:45pm: Staff Check-In

7:00pm – 8:00pm: Dinner

8:00pm – 10:30pm: Committee Session I

8:30pm – 9:30pm: Advisor Reception

11:00pm – 12:15pm: Bingo

12:30pm: Delegate Curfew

Saturday, February 8:

8:00am – 8:45am: Staff Check-in & Breakfast

9:00am – 12:00pm: Committee Session II

9:15am – 10:00am: Advisor Breakfast Feedback

12:00pm – 1:30pm: Lunch

1:30pm – 4:00pm: Committee Session III

4:00pm – 5:00pm: Break

5:00pm – 8:00pm: Committee Session IV

8:00pm – 9:00pm: Dinner

10:30pm – 12:00am: Delegate Dance

12:30am: Delegate Curfew

Sunday, February 9:

8:00am – 8:45am: Staff Check-in & Breakfast

9:00am – 11:00am: Committee Session V

9:15am – 10:00am: Advisor Breakfast & Feedback

11:00am – 12:00pm: Break

12:00pm – 1:30pm: Closing Ceremonies

BOSMUN 2020 Feb 7-9 MUN CONFERENCE - Payment Schedule

Please make all checks payable to Weymouth Public Schools Turn in checks to Ms. Wilbers, Rm. 3052. Contact info: katherine.wilbers@weymouthschools.org Total cost of trip is **\$550** for Early Registration, **\$560** for Regular Registration, & **\$570** for Late Registration. Note: Early registration has ended. The difference in price is from BOSMUN, not WHS. Regular Registration ends in November. We cannot guarantee spots will be open indefinitely as we are dependent upon transportation and chaperones so please register as soon as you can in order to make sure you have a spot.

<u>Type of Fee</u>	<u>Early Registration</u>	<u>Regular Registration</u>	<u>Late Registration</u>
Registration fee	\$90 by June	\$90 by Oct. 12th	\$90 by Nov. 15th
Delegate fee	\$75 by Sept.	\$85 by Oct. 12th	\$95 by Nov. 15th
Hotel fee (part 1)	\$125 by Oct. 12th		\$250 by Dec. 6th
Hotel fee (part 2)	\$125 by Nov. 15th		
Fee for basic trip costs*	\$35 by Dec. 13th		
Food & Transportation	\$100 cash by Feb. 7th, 2020		

Registration Fee (\$90) This fee will ensure that the basic costs* of the trip are covered. Only 50% of this fee is refundable. *The remaining part of the fee is non-refundable after Dec 6th, 2019.*

Delegate fee (\$75 for early registration; \$85 for regular registration) Please note that 25% of the **delegate fee** is non-refundable. *Friday, December 6th, 2019 is the final deadline to notify us for refunds on the remainder of the delegate fee.*

Hotel Fee (part 1)\$125.00 This covers half the hotel fee. This is refundable but only until Nov. 15th.

Hotel Fee (part 2)\$125.00 This covers the remaining hotel fee. This is **non-refundable**.

No money will be refunded after December 6th

December 13th \$35.00 This non-refundable fee goes towards basic costs.*

February 7th \$100: Students should bring an additional \$100 cash with them for food, etc.

Fundraising: If fundraising is successful, then students will be able to save money on the trip. Please note that money fundraised is distributed among the club and does not go to individual students.

* Basic Costs: This refers to school delegation fee, supplies, advisor fee, advisor rooms cost, any taxes and incidentals. It is policy that advisor and school fees be paid for or fundraised by students.

I have read & understood all of the above costs & refund policies. I, hereby agree, to these policies and commit to notifying Ms. Wilbers of any questions or concerns.

Signature of student/delegate

Signature of parent/guardian

Date

Boston Invitational Model United Nations XIX

A BOSTON UNIVERSITY INTERNATIONAL AFFAIRS ASSOCIATION CONFERENCE

Boston Invitational Model United Nations Conference, or BosMUN, is a three-day simulation of the United Nations hosted by Boston University for high school students. BosMUN XIX will be held from Friday, February 7th to Sunday, February 9th, 2020, at the renowned Boston Marriott-Copley. The upcoming conference marks the nineteenth anniversary of BosMUN. This great achievement would not be possible without the Boston University International Affairs Association, as well as the staffers, delegates, and advisors of past and present.

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Entering its 19th session, BosMUN will feature committees of all shapes, topics, and sizes in order to accommodate the over 1,500 delegates in attendance. We aim to create an all-inclusive, educational, and diverse atmosphere for each and every high school student that attends our conference. At BosMUN, delegates have the chance to delve into the world of international affairs, public speaking, and diplomatic skills, all the while utilizing creative freedom in their various committees through policy debate. Students assume the role of UN representatives and members of other international bodies and national cabinets in order to debate day-to-day issues that confront world leaders, and eventually draft resolutions in response. During the conference, students will learn the importance of balancing national interests with the needs of the international community, while also learning about the powers and limitations of international negotiation. Delegates must strive to preserve their countries' foreign and domestic policies while also negotiating in the face of other, usually conflicting, international policies.

True to the spirit of the United Nations, BosMUN's mission is to reach students both within the Boston University community as well as in the international community to provide students with enriching academic debate and to teach diplomatic practice. Through creative thinking, compromise, and negotiation, we cultivate an environment to engage our future diplomats and politicians by simulating current and historical events.

BOSMUN

A LETTER FROM THE SECRETARY-GENERAL

Dear Advisors and Delegates,

It is my distinct pleasure to welcome you all to the nineteenth session of the Boston Invitational Model United Nations Conference! My name is Taylor Cowser, and I am incredibly honored to serve as your Secretary General for BosMUN XIX. I, along with the rest of the Secretariat, are thrilled to host you at the Boston Marriott Copley Place from February 7th - 9th, 2020.

Originally hailing from Connecticut, I began Model UN my freshman year of high school, continuing throughout my four years, and serving as my team's captain my senior year. Upon arriving at Boston University, I chaired DISEC for BosMUN XVI, served as the Under-Secretary General of General Assemblies for BosMUN XVII, and as the Director General for BosMUN XVIII. Aside from Model UN, I am a senior in BU's Sargent College of Health and Rehabilitation Sciences, pursuing a Bachelor's of Science in Human Physiology with a minor in Public Health.

BosMUN is proud to operate under the umbrella of the Boston University International Affairs Association, and we hope to continue the legacy of this conference and foster communication, collaboration, and enthusiasm. We are proud to present an incredibly wide range of committees, from the Disarmament and International Security Committee and the Coalition for Organ-Failure Solutions, to the Netflix Executive Board 2017 and The Boston Molasses Crisis, encouraging discussions and resolutions about many of the top issues the international community is facing today.

The entire Secretariat is already hard at work to prepare an incredible experience for you all, and we are counting down the days to BosMUN XIX. It is my absolute privilege to serve as your Secretary General, and I cannot wait to work with you all and observe the lively debates come February. Until then, please feel free to contact me at any time with any questions or concerns.

Warm Regards,
Taylor R. Cowser
Secretary-General

Boston Invitational Model United Nations XIX

BOSMUN COMMITTEES

There are 4 types of Committees:

- General Assembly
- ECOSOC
- Specialized
- Crisis

More details on committees in pages that follow.

AVERAGE SIZE OF COMMITTEES:

Crisis: 24

Specialized: 40

ECOSOCs: 75-85

General Assemblies: 100-110

GENERAL ASSEMBLY COMMITTEES

DISEC

The Disarmament and Security Committee (DISEC) is the first committee of the General Assembly tasked with dealing with matters of international security.

It's a bird...it's a plane...it's...a robot? At first, humans trained birds to help them hunt for food in the wild. Then, we built planes to transport ourselves to destinations around the world. Today, we program robots to help us hunt in destinations around the world. DISEC's charter requires the committee to review all security matters and with the rapid increase of automation and drone use, many fear the way in which countries are wielding their power. One of the hardest problems placed in front of this year's session is how safe, ethical, and reasonable is unmanned-security.

SOCHUM

The Social, Humanitarian and Cultural Issues Committee (SOCHUM), the third committee of the general assembly, carries a heavy duty with a broad agenda. From human rights to social equality, SOCHUM leads in creating a fair, just, and caring world. This year's session continues to prove the committee's importance in finding solutions to some of the most pressing problems.

United Nations Entity For Gender Equality And The Empowerment Of Women

Without half of the population, the world would be engulfed in chaos. Yet, today there remains inequality and denied-opportunity to the women of the world. The committee has a tall task that could shape the way society advances for generations to come.

The Special Political And Decolonization Committee: Outer Space

In the mid-1900s the UN began to look at the topic of outer space, in the context of the first artificial satellite sent to orbit the earth. Their goal was simply to keep the final frontier peaceful. A lot has changed since then, with private space companies, such as Blue Origin and SpaceX, investing heavily in space technology as well as many governments' interest in creating their own forces to gain prominence beyond the earth. A short time ahead, in a place really really close, SPECPOL's goal remains the same: keep space safe.

Climate Change: Maldives 2050

Welcome! We are excited to invite you to the UN Annual Climate Change Conference. This year's conference will be located in the Maldives at the newly renovated under-water Shangri-La. While there will be time to enjoy the water, we suggest coming prepared with solutions to the world's most pressing environmental problems that have not yet been solved for more than 30 years. Maybe we will eventually find out who lives in housing under the sea.

World Health Organization: Bioethics In Genetics

The scientific and medical communities maintain some of the highest standards of professionalism, standard operation procedures, and ethics. However, the high standards are currently being questioned with doctors and scientists disregarding common practice and performing procedures independently. WHO needs to find out how they are going to keep in place the hard-earned reputation gained by the professional communities. And WHO exactly did what?

United Nations Development Programme: California's Revitalization

In 1848, flocks of Americans rushed to California in hopes of striking gold. With the First Transcontinental Railroad, California became a hub for many to farm and make a decent living. Hollywood defined California in the early 1900s, turning ordinary Californians into worldwide stars. In the 21st century, California became flooded with an element they did not know how to control. Year after year, it only got worse, but now, with the fires dying out, it is time to rebuild. But how? Gold doesn't grow on trees...

Unrepresented Nations And Peoples Organization: The Case Of The Hmong People

In many countries there lies an underlying truth that many do not want to give attention to. Indigenous people have been treated in some of the worst ways possible by those who now claim sovereignty over land they once lived peacefully on. What do the indigenous deserve? How can a UN committee make a tragically common situation at least slightly fairer? It's a battle between the finders, keepers, and the indigenous.

ECOSOC

Coalition For Organ-Failure Solutions: Organ Trafficking

While the chilling urban legend of an unsuspecting tourist waking up in a bathtub of ice to find one or both of their kidneys missing is just that, a legend, the truth is just as horrifying. It is estimated that up to 42% of organ transplants performed involve organs that have been illicitly purchased. This black market selling of organs includes a dark narrative of criminal networks that kidnap children from their homes to murder them and sell their organs, which are then used in often medically unsound transplants. The Coalition for Organ-Failure Solutions is an international non-profit that seeks to combat organ trafficking and improve the rates of legal and safe transplants. But with 114,000 people in the US alone waiting on a transplant and only 0.3% of deaths allowing for organ donation, how will we reduce the incidence of trafficking while still ensuring patients get the lifesaving treatments they need?

European Union 2025: Post-Brexit

The year is 2025 and after a series of tedious negotiations, the United Kingdom has left the European Union. Having been a former world power and part of the union since 1973, there is no doubt the UK's secession has had and will continue to have widespread impacts. With so many moving pieces, from trade agreements to military alliances, how will the European Union come to terms with and adapt to this brave new world?

Arab League: Pirates Of The Somali Coast

Parrots, treasure chests, and eye patches. These images conjure up notions of pirates most believe to be things of the past or even just fiction. And while pirates may not match the cliché depictions of literature, they are still very much in existence. Somolian pirates operate in a relatively small region, but the impacts of their crimes disrupt trade on a global level. It is up to Somalia and the rest of the Arab League to combat these pirates and prevent any further damage to economies and as human life.

International Atomic Energy Agency

The International Atomic Energy Agency is an international organization that works towards the safe and peaceful use of nuclear energy. It was established in 1957 and reports to the United Nations General Assembly and Security Council. The agency tackles complex issues surrounding the still controversial use of nuclear energy from disposal of nuclear waste to nuclear weapons proliferation. With nine countries in the world possessing a total of 13,850 nuclear weapons and the memory of the Fukushima Daiichi disaster in Japan still fresh in the world's mind, how will the IAEA steer the world towards safe and efficient use of nuclear energy?

United Nations World Tourism Organization: Himalayan Tourism

In 1997, American author and mountaineer Jon Krakauer's book, *Into Thin Air: A Personal Account of the Mt. Everest Disaster* drew worldwide attention to the dangers of expeditions into mountains as formidable as the Himalayas. While many were soon made aware of the damage mountain climbers risk to their health and safety on these expeditions, few knew the amount of damage these expeditions could have on local environments and cultures. The UN World Tourism Organization (UNWTO) is an agency that seeks to promote responsible, sustainable, and accessible tourism. With

tourism in the Himalayas being such a double edged sword, how will the UNWTO balance its potential economic benefits with respect and care for the environment and cultures impacted?

International Bank For Reconstruction And Development

The International Bank for Reconstruction and Development (IBRD) is an international financial institution that is part of the World Bank that primarily lends to developing countries. With increasing globalization and technology advancing as fast as it is, developing countries are seeking, now more than ever, opportunities to grow and take advantage of all the benefits the contemporary world has to offer. It is up to the IBRD to help these countries fund their forays into improving infrastructure, education, sustainability, and more in a financially safe and stable manner, but is it up to the challenge?

Alzheimer's Disease International

Nearly 44 million people in the world have Alzheimer's Disease or a related form of dementia. This mysterious disease has devastating impacts on patients and their families. Alzheimer's Disease International (ADI) is an international federation of Alzheimer's associations that works with the World Health Organization to combat the disease. Research is done every day on it but without international collaboration, our current efforts won't be enough. It is up to the ADI to help coordinate global efforts to tackle the many facets of Alzheimer's from research to patient rights to raising global awareness.

United Nations Children's Fund

The United Nations Children's Fund (UNICEF) was originally created in 1946 to offer help to children affected by World War II. While the war is long over, children still suffer around the globe from malnutrition, poor healthcare, violence, and other horrors. Children are an oft-forgotten demographic but are certainly among the most vulnerable. In today's messy geopolitical climate, will UNICEF rise to the responsibility of providing aid and care to our future?

SPECIALIZED

United Nations Security Council: The Siege Of Tripoli

The United Nations Security Council is one of the six principal organs of the United Nations, and is charged with maintaining peace and international security. Their powers include the establishment of peacekeeping missions and military action, and nowhere is their intervention needed more than Libya. The Siege or battle of Tripoli is a major event within the Libyan Civil War against the regime of Muammar Gaddafi and the National Transition Council. The security council has declared the situation worthy of declaring Responsibility to Protect or R2P in order to help the anti-Gaddafi forces. Now, they must find the best way to ensure an end to the violence in Libya.

French Revolution And The Trial Of Marie Antoinette

Let them eat cake! A famous phrase uttered by Marie Antoinette when she learned the peasants of France were starving. Now, she is on trial by the some of the very same people. On October 14th, 1793, after the monarchy was abolished, the Queen was accused of depletion of the treasury, conspiracy against the security of the state, and high treason against her nation and her life is on the line. Some believe the verdict has already been decided; some say this is going to be a fair trial. In either case, the fate of France and its monarchy is in the hands of this trial.

Lima Group: The Crisis In Venezuela

The Lima group is a multilateral body established in 2017 meant to negotiate a safe exit to the crisis in Venezuela. The group, now consisting of 14 member states with some observers and supporter, is adamantly against the Maduro regime. After the rise of Juan Guaido as interim president as a response to fraudulent elections, the group has never been more valuable in trying to determine a solution for the crisis in Venezuela.

Netflix Executive Board 2017

Welcome to the Netflix Executive Board of 2017. Our site has made numerous successful series such as Narcos, Orange is the New Black, and Stranger Things, amongst many others. But now, with streaming services so abundant and offering different kinds of movies and shows, the arena of online streaming has become competitive, and Netflix is struggling to keep up. How can the company diversify its media so it can stay in the game?

Busing Crisis

The year is 1974, and the courts have ordered that all Boston public schools must be desegregated. The district attorney of Massachusetts has ordered that students be bused in from different parts of the city to integrate schools. Parents and teachers alike are up in arms. The city, particularly South Boston, has broken out into protests and riots that has led to violence and racial resentment. Many parents have considered taking their students elsewhere. It is up to our schools and our city to respond to this mounting crisis.

Environmental Protection Agency: Silent Spring

In 1962, Rachel Carson published Silent Spring, a book documenting the catastrophic effects of overusing pesticides. DDT, the main pesticide in question, is incredibly effective at killing pests. In particular, DDT targets and kills mosquitoes, which carry numerous diseases such as malaria, dengue, and West Nile virus amongst many others. The use of DDT suppressed the mosquito population, reducing rates of these diseases. However, at the same time, it polluted water supplies and farmland, posing a threat to both human and animal health. Silent Spring sparked a national debate that led to the creation of the US Environmental Protection Agency and a ban on the use of DDT in agriculture. While DDT helped reduce rates of a disease that was killing millions, its overuse also had severe ecological ramifications. Do the benefits truly outweigh the costs?

Taiwanese Independence

The political status of Taiwan has remained uncertain since the creation of the communist government in 1949. Taiwan and the government in exile represented the nation of China up until 1971. Taiwan's official policy regarding the PRC now is to use force to maintain its independent status, despite China's push to regain the island as a part of its One China program. Potential for

conflict is high and the international world remains divided on the issue.

Press Corps

The press is an integral part of every government - whether it be free or controlled to distribute propaganda - and as such it has always been an integral part of BosMUN. While delegates in other committees debate and pass resolutions to solve a variety of different issues, delegates in the Press Corps will perform the critical task of reporting on these actions to everyone else in the conference. As media is multi-faceted, so will be the manner and perspective of reporting on BosMUN. Delegates will represent a plethora of different news sources, each with their own tone and style of reporting. Delegates will also have to produce pieces of different length and style, and will also actively debate on the role of media in global politics, "fake news", and the responsibility of journalists to reflect the "truth" versus certain viewpoints.

CRISIS

JCC: War Of The Bucket, Italy 1325: Modena

For hundreds of years the Modena and Bologna villages in northern Italy have fought amongst one another. The Modena people lay their loyalty to the Holy Roman Empire, where the Bolognese praise the Pope. Religion, territory, integrity and loyalty run deep throughout the veins of these two groups and play major roles in the high tense atmosphere. As the summer of 1325 is coming to a close, some Modena soldiers sneak into the Bologna city center and steal a vital centerpiece to the town: a wooden bucket. Although there are plenty of buckets in town and this one could be physically replaced - this sparks a war of the ages that was not on anyone's bucket list for their summer. Bologna has just declared war on your village and now is the time to end this rivalry for good.

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Ad Hoc

The Ad Hoc Committee of the Secretary General is a unique crisis committee tailored to advanced delegates eager to debate and face surprises. As is the custom for an Ad Hoc Committee, the topic will not be revealed in full until moments before the conference starts. As such, while general preparation must still be done leading up to the conference in order to develop research, writing, and speaking skills, Ad Hoc delegates will have to think on their feet in order to react quickly and effectively to sudden crises they have had minimal time to anticipate. Though preparation is extremely necessary, it takes a completely different form in this committee.

The Plantagenet Dynasty: King Richard's III Cabinet

Based on Shakespeare's political tragedy of the same name, each member of the committee will have a specific role in criticizing or aiding Richard III's rise to power, and assume the roles of characters in Richard III's cabinet. From powerful to more quietly subversive characters, the committee will focus on the motivations and stakes of different advisors to Richard III, their roles in his rise to power, and how each character could avoid their ultimate fate.

House Of Al Sabeh 1990

It is May, 1990 and Saddam Hussein, leader of Iraq, just accused the Kuwaiti government of economic warfare against his country. The royal government of the House of Al-Sabah does not know what to expect from Saddam and his unstable and unpredictable nature. Additionally, Kuwait is a small Sunni country and the only one in the Gulf that does not have massive oil reserves. Impending doom from Iraq, Shia Muslim unrest, contested oil reserves, and regional security issues, how will the Al-Sabah monarchy protect its kingdom yet also thrive in a conflict-prone region?

The Boston Molasses Crisis: Molassacre

Around noon time on January 15th 1919, the city of Boston changed forever. A Purity Distilling Company tank collapsed due to the unforeseen warm weather that day. Over 24 million pounds of Molasses swam through the streets of Boston crushing any animals, humans and structures in its way. This Molassacre killed 21 people, many horses and injured over 150 citizens. The members of the Boston City Council and the board of directors of the Purity Distilling Company must come together to rebuild Boston and prevent future tragedies from occurring.

Game Of Thrones

300 years after the conquest of Aegon Targaryen the Iron Throne has seen many faces. After years of relative stability the realm was thrown into turmoil with Robert's Rebellion and the death of the Mad King, Aerys II. With the rapid succession of Robert, Joffrey, Tommen, and Cersei, the War of the Five Kings, Daenerys' revolution, and the recent defeat of the White Walkers the realm stands broken and fractured. Set directly after the finale of the HBO series, the small council of the Iron Throne and the Lords of Westeros must work to reunify the Seven Kingdoms and face the consequences of the recent war. Winter is coming, will you be ready?

Fox News Network 2015

The number one most watched News channel now has to figure out its own story. Rupert Murdoch and Roger Ailes created the broadcasting company Fox News from several small acquisitions in 1996, in order to compete with the market-dominating CNN. Unlike the other competitors, FOX news opinion hosts, such as Sean Hannity, promoted more conservative viewpoints at a time when conservatives felt they held little power. Fast-forward and Fox News has taken over as the top news channel but that has not come without controversial positions, platforms, and ethics. Now, in 2015 with a crucial election approaching, Fox News has a new question to solve – how to deal with new presidential candidate named Donald Trump.

