

**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
Grade Levels: 9-12 Discipline/Course(s): Model United Nations
Destination: Place, Town and State: Bosmun @ Marriott Copley Boston, MA
Individual, Company or Organization Hosting/Conducting this trip: Bosmun trip - WHS MUN Travel Team
Date of Request: 6/7/2023 Departure Day/Date/Time: Friday, 2/2/24, 8am if possible
Number of Students: 10-15 Return Day/Date/Time: Sunday, 2/4/24, approx 4 pm



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*

<u>Katherine Wilbers</u>	
<u>Mary Lou Buell</u>	

Substitutes: Will substitutes be needed for this trip? ☐ = NO ☒ = YES If "yes", how many subs are needed? 1 for part of 1 day
Substitutes will be paid from: ☐ = School Budget ☐ = Grant Name _____
☐ = Other Source _____



Medical: Check with school nurse for student medical concerns/needs. **NURSE MUST INITIAL THIS FORM**

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>town bus so hopefully free</u>		

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

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

Fundraising

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: _____ Approved Date _____
Principal: Rebecca Paulhus Approved Date 6/7/23
SPED Director (If Applicable): _____ Approved Date _____
Grants Director (If Applicable): _____ Approved Date _____
Asst. Superintendent: [Signature] Approved Date 6/8/23

Overnight and out-of-state trips require School Committee Approval. Please allow additional time!

☐ APPROVED by School Committee (Date) _____

PROPOSAL FOR MODEL UNITED NATIONS TRIP
FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 2 — SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 4, 2024

Boston University Model United Nations XXII
A BOSTON UNIVERSITY INTERNATIONAL AFFAIRS ASSOCIATION CONFERENCE
Website: <http://www.bosmun.org/>

INTRODUCTION: The Weymouth High School Model United Nations Club would like to extend its gratitude to the School Committee for approving our yearly trips to BOSMUN. For the upcoming year, we are planning to return to BOSMUN at the Marriott Copley Place in Boston. The conference is for the Boston University Model UN Conference (BosMUN). We thank you in advance for your consideration and your time.

PURPOSE OF THIS PROPOSAL: Recognizing that we are requesting this trip very far in advance, we respectfully wish to inform the school committee that this will allow us to register for a discounted rate and have access to some of the first choices for committees. *The purpose of this proposal* is to request permission to take our WHS Model UN students for a conference trip to Boston University winter conference, otherwise known as BOSMUN.

When? FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 2 — SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 4, 2024

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

Who? Ms. Wilbers (Advisor of MUN at WHS) & Ms. Mary Lou Buell & Members of WHS Model United Nations Travel Team. Attached is a roster of those students who are part of our travel team. We hope that many students will come on the trip. We have taken 10 -15 students each year to BOSMUN.

While we currently plan on taking approximately 8-14 students (see list that follows), we will reassess as we move into fundraising and recruiting based on demand and logistics. Please note that we had an extremely successful student run a major conference on May 13th where students from 5 different schools came together. It was also attended by Donald Franke, head of the New England Moderators of Model UN Association who wrote a glowing report which we would be happy to share with you all. And, Representative James Murphy was our guest speaker. This event was organized by our travel team and leaders. Here is our website for that event: <https://sites.google.com/weymouthps.org/weymun>

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.

How? Transportation: We are requesting a bus from Weymouth High School to take us both ways. In the event that a bus cannot be provided, we will look into alternate transportation such as taking a school bus to public transportation.

1. What is the learning objective? The 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 will be listed soon on the BOSMUN website.

(<https://www.bosmun.org/committees-1>)

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.

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 meetings in order to reflect as a group and individually.

Letter from the secretary general of BOSMUN

"It is my distinct pleasure to welcome you all to the twenty-third installation of the Boston University Model United Nations Conference! My name is Simona Simeonova, and I am incredibly honored to serve as your Secretary General for BosMUN XXIII. I, along with the rest of the Secretariat, are thrilled to host you at the Boston Marriott Copley Place from February 2nd - 4th, 2024.

I was born and raised in Sofia, Bulgaria and moved to Sarasota, Florida when I was 7 years old. I began my journey in Model United Nations in middle school, my passion being sparked by my history teacher at the time. Over the years I have been able to use all of the skills from this amazing activity to help shape me into the person I am today. Before I even set foot onto Boston University's campus I knew I wanted to one day lead this conference, and here I am today fulfilling my dream. It is the honor of a lifetime to be trusted in developing, maintaining, and executing such an amazing conference. It is through the support of FHSMUN, FMSMUN and MUN@BU that I have been able to find my voice and passion for this wonderful extracurricular activity. Therefore, it is my vision for BosMUN XXIII to be a place for Delegates to Find Themselves. This will be a conference where students can flourish and grow; to discover new parts of themselves through Model UN. A place to take risks, think outside the box, and make a difference. I encourage every delegate, regardless of experience level, to embrace their journey.

BosMUN XXIII promises you, the advisors and delegates, to create an environment that will foster collaboration and growth, while being welcoming to all delegates. Unfortunately, Model UN can be an activity which can be hostile to minority populations, so we are making it a priority to acknowledge personal biases, and work towards eradicating them within ourselves and our community. Above anything else, it is our mission to make BosMUN feel safe and encouraging to every single delegate, advisor, and member of the staff. With that, BosMUN will be partnering with a mutual aid for this installment that represents the same ideals that we aim to embody with this conference.

New and exciting changes will be coming to BosMUN XXIII to make this already amazing conference even better and more welcoming to everyone. If you are a new school, feel free to reach out and inquire about this conference and I, along with the rest of the Secretariat, would love to chat with you about it. If you are a returning school that is still considering attending BosMUN XXIII, I promise you that you will not want to miss this conference.

I would like to thank all of you for your support and interest in BosMUN. Over the past 23 years, this conference has grown tremendously, and it is because of you. If you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to contact me directly, so that I may support you in any way possible.

I look forward to welcoming you all in person in February, but until then, we will be working hard to make sure that your experience at our conference is both positive and enriching."

(<https://www.bosmun.org/#home>)