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# INTRODUCTION

This manual is designed to guide you through the procedures of the Mississippi Youth & Government Model United Nations program. This is YOUR manual. Feel free to make notes or underline. Please keep it close at hand for reference.

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## MISSISSIPPI YOUTH & GOVERNMENT MISSION STATEMENT

To serve Mississippi through promoting the principles of servant leadership and civic responsibility through leadership development programs for individuals across our Great State.

## WHAT IS MODEL UNITED NATIONS?

The purpose of the Model United Nations program in Mississippi is to prepare young people for moral and political leadership by familiarizing them with the international arena through a program which:

- is challenging and constructive while providing an insight into global relations;
- teaches young adults to resolve issues for the world through compromise and cooperation;
- allows young adults to represent a nation's political, social and economic interests through debate of proposals regarding such issues;
- provides learning experiences in the organizations, rules, procedures and parliamentary techniques employed by the United Nations.

To succeed in understanding the value of an international, arbitrating body, participants must acquire knowledge concerning the ideological values of a nation and be willing to apply the knowledge in debate and proposal writing.

This program is designed to...

- ... increase awareness of international affairs;
- ... enrich the formal education process with realistic learning experiences;
- ... enhance understanding of the United Nations and its effect on the world community;
- ... communicate concerns about issues bearing international consequence to appropriate agencies within the United Nations and the government of the United States;
- ... bestow an understanding of individual responsibility in ensuring international peace;
- ... stimulate tolerance and respect toward another's rights and point of view;

- ... assist delegates in formulating solutions to problems of international consequence;
- ... provide opportunities to delegates to develop and refine skills in debate, discussion and the organization of ideas;
- ... develop self-confidence and self-expression;
- ... help accept defeat without discouragement;
- ... develop an insight into the process of developing international understanding and tolerance.

## WHAT IS THE MISSISSIPPI YOUTH & GOVERNMENT PROGRAM?

The Mississippi Youth & Government is a program promoted and developed through various school and community Government Clubs in Mississippi. It is a sound educational approach to the development of citizen participation in the democratic government by providing opportunities for youth to study public issues, debate policies, write legislation, and participate in the process of government through a model government programs and leadership development opportunities.

The various clubs mentioned above have been chosen as the medium through which the program is organized. The clubs offer the best source of potential youth leadership in the appropriate age group; they have the stability and the experience needed; they have the necessary motivation and purpose; and they have a program of regular weekly meeting that lend themselves to the study and discussion of public affairs.

## ROLES AND FUNCTIONS IN MODEL UNITED NATIONS

The Model United Nations Conference is operated under the auspices of the Mississippi Youth & Government Program. The Youth & Government Program is the administrative arm, providing services to the schools and individual advisors.

The Mississippi Youth & Government provides:

- Supervision:** Directs the programs in Jackson
- Training:** Provides pertinent literature and program aids
- Planning:** Develops the year-round calendar, sets up legislative dates, reserves housing and legislative chambers, plans the program schedule
- Staff:** Maintains a support office to assist in mail-outs, communications and training.

School/Club Advisors provide:

- Leadership at the school/Club level; Advisors act as the Club Advisors.
- Supervision of their students during conferences. They oversee the behavior of their students and serve as the conference awards selection committee.
- Assistance with conference administration, when needed. This includes overseeing elections, committee meetings, etc. The Mississippi Youth & Government Program is the administrative arm, providing services to the schools and individual advisors.

## DATES AND DEADLINES

### Conference Dates

February 16-18, 2012

### Deadlines

Friday, December 10, 2012

EARLY BIRD REGISTRATION DEADLINE

Country Requests Submitted Online

World Court Justice Applications

Candidate Commitment Forms

Friday, January 13, 2012

Regular Registration deadline

Resolutions submitted online

Health Forms & Values-Based Code of Conduct Forms

Conference T-Shirt Orders & Money

### Registration Fees

Early Bird Registration	\$85.00
Regular Registration	\$100.00
Advisors & Chaperones	\$40.00*

\* Each delegation with at least five (5) students is allowed one (1) registered Adult Advisor at no cost. Any adults or advisors over one (per delegation) must pay the \$40.00 registration fee. **There is a requirement of at least one (1) Adult Advisor per 20 students in a delegation.**

**Money is non-refundable.** If a student backs out, you may send a replacement. Please notify the Director as soon as possible if this occurs. Checks for Registration Fees should be made out to the Mississippi Youth & Government Office and sent to:

Mississippi Youth & Government  
108 Kirkwood Drive  
Clinton, MS 39056

A late fee of \$30/delegation will be assessed on any registration received after the deadline. Resolutions received in the conference office later than one week after the deadline will not be included in the Model United Nations Book.

All delegates will stay at the Cabot Lodge. Cost will be \$99.00 per room per night (includes flat tax described below). Remember, rooms are exempt from 7% tax if paying by school check (if school is tax exempt). Reservations for hotel rooms will be made by Mississippi Youth & Government after receiving your hotel room reservation forms. **Checks for hotel must be a school check and should be made out to the Cabot Lodge but mailed to the MSYAG address listed in the introduction of this manual (include tax exemption verification).**

## RULES AND REGULATIONS MSYAG MODEL UNITED NATIONS

Youth & Government is Mississippi's finest expression of servant leadership. Due to the high caliber of character evident in the students who attend the programs, few rules are required.

1. Each delegate will attend all sessions of the program.
2. I.D. badges will be worn by each participant for admittance to all program events.
3. Names of students absent during roll calls will be turned in to the Youth & Government Director who will in turn give the names to the proper advisor.
4. School sponsors and chaperons are responsible for the supervision of their delegation at all times.
5. ABSOLUTELY NO FOOD, DRINK, GUM OR CAMPAIGN MATERIAL will be allowed in any meeting facility.
6. No smoking is allowed during the course of the conference. Use or possession of alcoholic beverages or drugs will not be permitted at any time during the conference.
7. Conduct shall be above reproach at all times.
8. Young men will wear coats and ties during the program. No sport shirts or blue jeans may be worn at any time. (The only exception to this rule will be for **appropriate** native dress for the country represented.) Young ladies should professional business attire. This may include business suits, dresses or blouses and skirts. Nice pants outfits will be allowed.
9. No delegates or officers will be allowed in the hotel rooms of members of the opposite sex unless accompanied by an advisor.
10. All delegates will be in their own rooms and observe quiet hours at the times indicated and will not leave their room after room check.
11. No room changes will be made after room assignments are made (unless approved by school advisor). A copy of **any** changes should be turned in the Model United Nations Director immediately following the change.
12. A room check will be made each night by the school advisors.
13. Observe elevator courtesy. Stand back and allow a person departing the elevator to do so before you enter.
14. Model United Nations Books are issued to each participant and sponsor. Please do not misplace your book. Limited extras are available at a cost of \$10.
15. Should you require any help, look for Conference staff members who will be wearing orange ribbons on their I.D. badges.
16. Have fun and enjoy the program.

## CONFERENCE SPECIFICS

### DRESS



Young men are expected to wear shirt, tie, dress slacks, a jacket and acceptable shoes. Young women are to wear professional business attire. This may include business suits, dresses, shirt/blouse combinations or nice pant outfits. Skirts should be no shorter than four inches above the knee. **Appropriate native dress for the country represented is preferred.** Casual clothes (including appropriate jeans) may be worn within the hotel rooms only. Delegates who are dressed improperly will be sent to their hotel room to change clothing.

### COUNTRY FLAG

Country Flags and Flag Poles will be provided for each Country

### PARADE OF NATIONS

Each country delegation will participate in the Parade of Nations with a flag bearer as described above. Each country will present a thirty second presentation of their country including political views, cultural facts, and any similar pertinent information.

### PLACARDS

In order to receive recognition in councils and General Assembly, countries should have a 4.5" x 22" placard made of white poster board. The front of the placard should have the country represented written in black ink along with the delegates name. Each country will need one placard for each delegate in each council (and General Assembly) in which it is represented.



### FESTIVAL OF NATIONS

The Festival of Nations will be held on the second evening of the conference. Every country will have a table to display the essence of their culture. This festival will highlight the variety of cultures participating through this time of international sharing and fellowship. Any appropriate items that exemplify the country's culture may be included in the display.

### MEALS

All meals at the conference are provided with the exception of Thursday. This includes breakfast, lunch and dinner on Friday and breakfast on Saturday. Delegates are advised to eat dinner prior to arrival at the conference on Thursday. Pizza orders will also be taken each day.

### HOUSING

All students will be required to stay at the Cabot Lodge in Jackson unless alternate arrangements have been made with the conference director. Our block room rate is \$99.75; up to four delegates are allowed per room. An additional 7% hotel tax is added to any schools which do not pay by school check and/or are not tax exempt. Hotel rooms must be paid for with a school check. **NO ROLL-AWAY BEDS ARE AVAILABLE DUE TO FIRE CODES.**

## PARKING

The Cabot Lodge will charge \$3.00/day for cars parked in their lot (for guests at the hotel; you must have your parking ticket validated in the Hotel Lobby before leaving). If needed, each school may receive one (1) complimentary in/out pass for an advisor. Schools with vans or buses (which will stay at the Cabot Lodge) must notify the Youth & Government office at least two weeks prior to the conference so that the hotel can reserve your parking.

## BEHAVIOR

- All Model United Nations participants are expected to behave in a mature, responsible manner.
- All curfews and conference rules will be followed. Possible punishments include, but are not limited to:
  1. Required formal apology to the conference;
  2. Loss of speaking and/or bill sponsorship privileges;
  3. Departure from the conference at his/her own expense.
- Hotel and conference staff will be treated with respect at all times. No running or other types of bothersome behavior will be allowed. Hotel guests will not be disturbed (especially after curfew). After curfew delegates will remain in their assigned sleeping rooms and be quiet!

## AWARDS

Premier Delegation -- awarded to all schools which meet the following criteria:

- Send in registration material by the deadline;
- Participate in all scheduled conference events;
- Do not have discipline problems (which are severe enough to warrant the attention of the conference administration).

Outstanding Statesman -- awarded to students who demonstrate objectivity, courteousness to others, compliance to conference rules and a positive attitude. This award is chosen by the school advisors.

Outstanding Diplomat -- awarded to students who demonstrate good debating skills, objectivity, compliance to conference rules, etc.

International Court of Justice Award -- awarded to student who demonstrates extensive research on the pre-assigned cases, displays fairness and objectivity, complies to conference rules and maintains a positive attitude. This award is chosen by the school advisors.

Most Outstanding Proposal -- awarded to students who demonstrate extensive preparation of their proposals and have managed to successfully address pertinent issues. This award is chosen prior to the conference by an outside committee, whenever possible.

Best Native Dress Award -- awarded to the country which best reflects past or current fashion (culture, traditions). In order to be considered, proper attire must be worn during all meetings and the Banquet of Nations as outlined.

Best Country Award -- awarded to the country which best represents current government, political parties, philosophies, history, culture, religious practices, economy, imports-exports (trade), work force, daily life and total delegation involvement.

Best Display at the Festival of Nations Award -- awarded for the best display based on its appearance, information quality, and creative representation of the country.

## **PARTICIPATION IN MODEL UNITED NATIONS**

High school and Junior High School students grades 7-12 may participate in Model United Nations.

### DELEGATE RESPONSIBILITIES

1. Select desired country - Submit a first, second ..., etc. choice by completing the country application form included in this manual and turn it in by the designated deadline.
2. Fulfill ALL deadlines of the conference.
3. Establish contact with the mission to the United Nations in New York. A list of mission and embassy addresses is included at the end of this instruction manual.
4. Thoroughly research and practice procedure to be observed at the Model United Nations Assembly. Research thoroughly all aspects of the designated country, involvement in global conflicts, affiliation within political alliances, and (in particular) the conference issues. The success of a Model United Nations depends on the depth of your understanding of the social, political, and economic position of your country.
5. Business attire or (preferably) formal national dress is required. The national dress makes a statement about the character and integrity of a delegate, and it's FUN!
6. Be prepared to negotiate with other countries in attempting to convince delegates of the feasibility and justification of your proposal. Discussion and delegation compromises independent of debate on the GA floor will be of great importance in arranging proposals for distribution.

## CONFERENCE STRUCTURE

Model United Nations shall have five components:

- General Assembly
- Economic & Social Council
- International Court of Justice (World Court)
- Security Council
- Global News Syndicate (International Press Corp)

1. The General Assembly will consist of represented countries submitting resolutions for approval. Each country will consist of an ambassador to represent the countries interests in the General Assembly.
2. The Security Council will consist of representatives from Russian Federation, United States, England, France, and China along with delegates from other nations.
3. The Economic & Social Council will consist of one (1) delegate representing each of its member nations.
4. The International Court of Justice will consist of up to fifteen (15) justices representing each of the fifteen (15) country blocs.
5. The International Press Corp shall make up the Global News Syndicate and is responsible for reporting the actions of councils, campaign & election coverage, and current events.
6. Determining on the programming needs of the conference, delegates for the Economic & Social Council, the Security Council, and/or the General Assembly may meet together as a joint council.
7. World Court cases may be heard by the International Court of Justice in either the ICJ Chambers or the floor of the General Assembly.

# RULES OF PROCEDURE FOR THE MODEL UNITED NATIONS

## RULE 1

AGENDA - The agenda of the General Assembly shall be drawn up by the Organizing Committee and shall be regarded as adopted at the beginning of the session. There shall be no revisions or additions to the agenda without approval of the officers and the Director.

## RULE 2

The Organization Committee shall allocate items to the main committees of the General Assembly.

## RULE 3

The credentials of all members or delegations, having been submitted to the President of the Security Council and Organizing Committee in advance of the session of the Model General Assembly, shall be considered to have been approved.

## RULE 4

Nominations for officials shall be in writing and submitted to the Conference Director's office by the pre-determined deadline. The election will be for the assembly the following year.

## RULE 5

The Presidents of the General Assembly, Economic and Social Council, and Security Council shall not vote, unless there is a tie.

## RULE 6

LANGUAGES - The model session shall be conducted in the language or languages most commonly understood in the place where the session is held. No interpretation will be provided by the organizers of the model session. However, any participant wishing to address the session in another language may do so, provided he/she brings his/her own interpreter.

## RULE 7

A majority of the Members of the General Assembly shall constitute a quorum in both Plenary and Sub-committee meetings.

## RULE 8

No representative may address the Plenary (Opening) sessions, councils or committee meetings without having first obtained the permission of the President or the Sub-committee chairman and stating Speakers signify their desire to speak by placing their names on a speaker's list, or in general debate, by raising their placard. A speaker may not speak if his/her remarks are not pertinent to the subject under discussion.

## RULE 9

The President, in the plenary sessions and committees, and the sub-committee chairmen, in the sub-committee meetings, may limit the time to be allowed for speakers. Speakers must limit their remarks to the time allocated and will be called out of order if they speak beyond their allotted time.

#### RULE 10

PROPOSALS AND AMENDMENTS - Proposals, resolutions and amendments may be introduced orally, but a written copy must be given on the proper form to the President of the component in which it is being introduced who shall circulate copies to the delegations. The President and Sub-committee Chairman may set deadlines for the submission of resolutions or amendments on any items. All proposals in General Assembly shall be placed in committees by the President of the General Assembly or presiding officers if deemed necessary.

#### RULE 11

WITHDRAWAL OF MOTIONS - A motion may be withdrawn by its proposing delegate at any time before voting on it has commenced. A motion that has been withdrawn may be reintroduced by any member.

#### RULE 12

RECONSIDERATION OF PROPOSALS - When a proposal has been adopted or rejected, it may not be reconsidered unless the General Assembly or respective council, by a two-thirds majority of countries represented and voting, so decides. Permission to speak on a motion to reconsider shall be according to one pro and one con.

#### RULE 13

CLOSURE OF DEBATE - During the discussion of any matter, a representative may move for adjournment of debate. Two representatives may stand in favor, or two against, the motion for closure of debate, after which the motion shall be immediately put to vote (Two-thirds vote required).

#### RULE 14

Representatives shall normally vote by voice vote or by standing. Any presiding officer may call for a roll call vote, but no roll call votes will be taken on the following:

- a. Procedural questions
- b. In the plenary, on resolutions already voted on in the main committees

#### RULE 15

CONDUCT OF VOTING - After the President has announced the beginning of voting, no representative shall interrupt the voting. Members may be permitted to explain their votes after the voting; the President or committee chairman may limit the time to be allowed for such explanations.

#### RULE 16

IN COMMITTEE - When an amendment is moved to a proposal, the amendment shall be voted on first. When two or more amendments are moved to a proposal, the Committee shall vote first on the amendment furthest in substance removed from the original proposal, then on the amendment next furthest removed therefrom, and so on. Where, however, the adoption of one amendment, the latter amendment necessarily implies the rejection of another amendment, the latter amendment shall not be put to a vote. A motion is considered an amendment to a proposal if it adds to, deletes from, or revises part of that proposal.

#### RULE 17

A motion to suspend the rules requires a two-thirds majority vote. Consideration of the motion will be at the chair's discretion.

#### RULE 18

All countries and delegations must be present at all scheduled Model United Nations functions.

## GENERAL ASSEMBLY

### PROCEDURES:

1. Member nations of the General Assembly will submit a separate resolution to the General Assembly dealing with pertinent world issues.
2. Each country is limited to one (1) member per G.A. committee.
3. The determination of the General Session agenda will be set prior to the General Assembly by the President and the Presidential Assistant of General Assembly. Delegates should vote for or against bills based on world importance and feasibility.
4. At the beginning of the General Assembly, all countries opting to present a two minute policy statement on their country's political, social, and economic views will be asked to do so. These countries must notify the General Assembly President of their intent to deliver the policy statement on Thursday.
5. A General Assembly will not be conducted without a quorum of the countries properly registered with the Secretary General in attendance. A quorum will be represented by 2/3 of the countries properly registered.
8. No participant will address the General Assembly without the President's acknowledgment. A delegate must raise his placard to obtain recognition from the President to speak. Each country is responsible for its own PLACARD.
9. During discussion, any delegate may rise to a point of order, and the president will recognize this point at his/her discretion.
10. For each resolution, the moving speaker will be allowed to speak for three (3) minutes and two (2) minutes for questions, the opponent speakers for two (2) minutes each, the proponent speakers for two (2) minutes each. The moving speaker allots a period of two (2) minutes for closing.
11. A period of two (2) minutes will be allotted to each subsequent speaker. Speakers will alternate with opponent and proponent times two.
12. Primary speakers may yield their time only to another speaker by name, reference to questions, to the chair, or to the proposal author's closing statements.
13. The General Assembly president may adjust time limits for each proposal as is deemed necessary.
14. Voting will supersede speeches and must be registered by the President through a delegations ambassador. Each country has one vote. When voting, delegates should consider their country's position on the current issue.
15. Decisions on substantive or important questions will be made by a 2/3 majority of the members present. These include:
  - Recommendations on international peace or security
  - Suspension of rights, admittance, or membership
  - Expulsion of members

## SECURITY COUNCIL

### PROCEDURES:

1. Member nations of the Security Council will submit a separate resolution to the Security Council dealing with pertinent world security issues.
2. Items on the agenda may be postponed or altered by the Security Council by a 2/3-majority vote. Additional items adjudged of an important and urgent nature may be added to the agenda with a 2/3-majority vote.
3. Any member of the Model United Nations who is not a member of the Security Council may be invited, as a result of a decision of the Security Council, to participate on the discussion of any matter brought before the Security Council. This may happen when the council considers that the interests of the members are specifically affected or when a member brings a matter to the attention of the Security Council in accordance with Article 35 of the United Nation's charter. This motion requires a simple majority.
4. Each member of the Security Council will have one vote. Decision of the Security Council on procedural matters will be made by an affirmative vote of 2/3 of those Security Council members present and voting. A party to a dispute will abstain from voting. An abstention is not considered a vote.
5. Method of voting: The Security Council will vote on all substantive questions by roll call. The roll call will be taken in the English alphabetical order of members, beginning with the member whose name is drawn by lot by the President. The name of each member will be called in any roll call, and its delegate shall reply "yes", "no", "abstain", or "pass". A delegate may pass only once during a roll call vote. Abstentions do not count as votes. Any member may explain his vote by invoking the right of Personal Privilege at the same time he votes. After voting, he will be allowed to speak. The President may limit the time for such explanations. The members shall vote on procedural questions by raising their PLACARDS. It will not be necessary for any motion or draft resolution proposed by a delegate on the Security Council to be seconded before being put to a vote. The Russian Federation, China, US, UK, and France are the five permanent members of the Security Council. If any one of them votes NO on a resolution, it is killed. If the member does not wish to kill the resolution or vote yes, the member must abstain.
6. Each resolution will have a five (5) minute presentation by author, debate/discussion and then be voted upon by the members. The moving speaker will follow General Assembly rules subsequent to opening comments.

## ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL COUNCIL

The Economic and Social Council studies problems that concern the way we live. It deals with such problems as economic development, human rights, international trade, narcotics, population, refugees and transportation.

### PROCEDURES:

1. Members of the ECOSOC will submit a separate resolution to the council dealing with pertinent world issues.
2. Each member of the ECOSOC will have one vote per resolution.
3. Method of Voting: The ECOSOC will vote on all substantive questions by roll call. The vote will be taken in the English alphabetical order of members. When the name of a member is called, its delegate must reply either "yes", "no", "abstain", or "pass". A delegate may pass only once during a roll call vote. Abstentions do not count as votes. Any member may explain his vote by invoking the right of Personal Privilege at the time he votes. After voting, he will be allowed to speak. The President will limit the time for such explanations. The members will vote on procedural questions by raising their PLACARDS. It will not be necessary for any motion or draft resolution proposed by a delegate on the ESC to be seconded before putting it to a vote.
4. Items on the agenda may be postponed or altered by the ESC by a 2/3 majority.
5. Decisions of the ESC on procedural matters will be made by an affirmative vote of 2/3 of those ESC members present and voting. A party to dispute will abstain from voting. An abstention is not considered a vote.
6. Each resolution shall have a five (5) minute presentation by author [three (3) minute opening and two (2) minute closing], debate/discussion by the council and then be voted upon by the members.
7. The ESC may invite, without vote, any member of the United Nations to participate in its deliberations on any matter of particular concern to that member.

## WORLD COURT

The World Court studies problems as they pertain to the United Nations Charter, Geneva Convention, the Hague, etc. It deals with such problems as war crimes, human rights issues, and acknowledging nations.

### PROCEDURES:

1. There shall be up to 15 World Court JUSTICES, each representing a country bloc.
2. Selections of Justices will be based on application only.
3. World Court Justices will thoroughly research the assigned topics. Each will be notified of the topics prior to Model United Nations.
4. Each Justice will have one vote per case.
5. Method of Voting: The World Court will vote on all substantive questions by roll call. The vote will be taken in the English alphabetical order of the members. When the name of a Justice is called, he must reply "yes", "no", "abstain", or "pass". A Justice may pass only once during roll call votes. Abstentions do not count as votes. Any member may explain his vote by invoking the right of Personal Privilege at the time he votes. After voting, he will be allowed to speak. The Chief Justice will limit the time for such explanations. The members will vote on procedural questions by raising their placards. (INSTEAD OF PRINTING THE COUNTRY NAME AS AN AMBASSADOR WOULD, JUSTICES SHOULD PRINT THEIR BLOC NAMES.) It will not be necessary for any motion or draft resolution proposed by a Justice on the World Court to be seconded before putting it to a vote.
6. Decisions of the World Court require a 2/3 majority.
7. Nations may represent themselves, at the request of the World Court, in the World Court on affairs that concern these nations.

## OFFICERS AND ELECTIONS

Elections will be held for these positions:

- (a) Secretary General
- (b) President of the General Assembly
- (c) President of the Security Council
- (d) President of the Economic and Social Council
- (e) Chief Justice of the International Court of Justice

Appointed positions include:

- (a) Under Secretary General
- (b) Presidential Assistant to the General Assembly
- (c) Presidential Assistant to the Security Council
- (d) Presidential Assistant of the Economic and Social Council
- (e) Assistant Chief Justice

### VOTING PROCEDURE

All candidates for office must be in at least the ninth grade to be considered eligible.

All candidates must have attended at least one session of the Model United Nations prior to declaring their candidacy.

Secretary General - elections are held in all components. One vote is allowed per country represented in each component.

President of the General Assembly - elections are held in the General Assembly. Each country represented in the General Assembly is allowed one vote.

President of the Security Council - elections are held in the Security Council. Each country represented in the Security Council is allowed one vote.

President of the Economic and Social Council - elections are held in the Economic and Social Council. Each country represented in the Economic and Social Council is allowed one vote.

Chief Justice - elections are held in the International Court of Justice. Each justice in the International Court of Justice is allowed one vote.

## **DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES OF OFFICERS**

### The Secretary General shall:

- (a) Attend all meetings of the Officers.
- (b) Open and close meetings of the Model United Nations.
- (c) Review the accomplishments of the Model United Nations at the closing session.
- (d) Preside over the Festival of Nations.
- (e) Preside over the General Assembly, when needed, and address the councils when needed.
- (f) Handle all youth relations with the media.
- (g) Be available for other services by the MSYAG during the term in office.

### The President of General Assembly shall:

- (a) Attend all meetings of the Officers.
- (b) Open and close meetings of the General Assembly.
- (c) Direct discussion.
- (d) Give right to speak.
- (e) Put questions to vote.
- (f) Announce procedural decisions.
- (g) Rule on points of order.
- (h) Have complete control over meetings.
- (i) May limit number of times a person may speak on one issue.
- (j) Close or adjourn debate.
- (k) Ensure the observation of rules set forth in this book.

### The President of the Security Council and Economic and Social Council shall:

- (a) Attend all meeting of the Officers.
- (b) Open and close all meetings of their respective councils.
- (c) Direct discussion.
- (d) Allot right to speak.
- (e) Put questions to a vote.
- (f) Announce procedural decisions.
- (g) Rule on points of order.
- (h) Have complete control over meetings.
- (i) Close or adjourn debate.

### The Presidential Assistants and Assistant to the Secretary General shall:

- (a) Attend all meetings of the Officers.
- (b) Assist their Presidents/Secretary and act as timekeepers.
- (c) Act in place of respective Presidents or Secretary.
- (d) See that all committees have an officer presiding.
- (e) Be the communication link between GA and Councils.

### The Chief Justice of the World Court shall:

- (a) Attend all meetings of the Officers.
- (b) Open and close meetings of the World Court.
- (c) Direct discussion and give right to speak.
- (e) Announce procedural decisions.
- (f) Rule on points of order.
- (g) Have complete control over meetings.
- (h) May limit number of times a person may speak on one issue.
- (i) Close or adjourn debate.
- (j) Ensure the observation of rules set forth in this book.

## PROPOSALS

Each nation submits at least one proposal per component represented (eg. if a country will be represented in General Assembly and Economic & Social Council it will submit at least two proposals) which deals with an issue relevant to that nation (e.g. disarmament, human rights, nuclear arms, environment, etc.) or the world in general. This proposal contains a SUBJECT, JUSTIFICATION CLAUSE, and SECTIONS. The last section must be an enactment section. Proposals should not exceed one page. **Countries may submit more than one proposal per council.** All proposals contain a justification clause which consists of a passage of no more than 100 words that give facts, figures, and other information relevant to the proposal. This information provides delegates with background details before debate begins. Below is an example of a proposal with a justification clause.

INTRODUCED BY: (school, club, city)

AUTHOR(S): (limit two)

REPRESENTING: (country)

WHEREAS food, medicine, and education are essential to all people of the world, and

REALIZING that malnutrition, nutrition related diseases, and substandard level of education do exist, and

NOTING that these problems are most rampant among developing countries and especially among the children of these countries, and

REALIZING that in order to combat these problems, developing countries must become sufficient, and

RECALLING that without technological aid from developed countries, developing countries cannot become self-sufficient.

DOES HEREBY:

REQUEST that developed countries and developing countries bond together on a voluntary basis to form a committee to organize a technological aid program for developing countries.

RECOMMENDS that the responsibilities of the council be:

A. To organize the disbursement of technological instructors and supplies that have been voluntarily donated by developed countries on the basis of each country's needs. The technological instructors will be qualified individuals from developed countries who will instruct the people in each developing country in methods of agriculture and medicine.

B. To oversee this program to ensure that the goals and ideals are being fulfilled.

C. To decide when a country's needs have been fulfilled.

Meeting of this non-binding council will occur every six months beginning immediately after members have volunteered.

RECOMMENDS that when the goals of this program have been accomplished, the council be dismissed until further need.

# SUGGESTED TOPICS FOR MODEL UNITED NATIONS PROPOSALS

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## International Peace and Security Issues

Peace-making and Peace-keeping  
Outer Space

Disarmament  
Law of the Sea

## Economic and Social Development Issues

Trade  
Natural Resources and Energy  
World Food Problems  
Assistance to Children  
Disabled Persons  
Disaster Relief and Special Economic Assistance  
International Control of Narcotic Drugs and Psychotropic Substances  
Prevention of Crime and Treatment of Offenders

Science and Technology for Development  
Protection of the Environment  
Over-Population  
Aging and the Elderly  
Refugees

## Human Rights Issues

Racial Discrimination  
Putting an End to Violations

Torture  
Women's Rights

## Decolonization Issues

Granting Independence to Colonial Countries and Peoples

# PARLIAMENTARY PROCEDURE

## **When an ambassador is recognized by the chair state:**

Your Name; Your Country; and Address the Chair

(i.e. "Jane Doe, representing Nigeria, Mr./Madame Chair ..." proceed with speech)

Clerk reads the title of the proposal.

Author Speech: A maximum of three (3) minutes; any remaining time is allotted for a summation speech. This speech is considered a pro speech.

Questions: A maximum of two (2) minutes. Ambassadors called upon can ask only one question. The author must give an answer. If the full two (2) minutes are not needed, then continue with pro / con debate.

Pro / Con Speeches: Two (2) minutes each.

- A. Consider the author's speech the first pro speech and begin with a con speech.
- B. Alternate pro / con speeches. There must be at least four (4) speeches (2 pro, 2 con) total; if no one wishes to speak, appoint an ambassador to speak. If there are no speakers after the required speeches, debate is moved on to the next argument (e.g. "Seeing no speech in opposition, we move on to a speech in favor.") *Debate must end with a call for a final con speech.*

Length of debate and the number of pro and con speeches allowed after the required 2 pro / 2 con is the decision of the chair with consideration to time constraints and relevance of debate.

- C. If an ambassador wishes to ask the author a question during pro / con debate and is recognized by the chair, he or she must address the chair and ask, "Will the author yield to a question?" The chair then asks the author if he/she will yield.

**If the author's answer is yes**, the ambassador is then entitled to one<sup>1</sup> question only. The author may say no. After the question is answered, debate continues. A question is not considered either pro or con, but does take from the total debate time.

- D. If an ambassador wishes to ask a question yet still make a pro or con speech during pro / con debate and is recognized by the chair, he or she should address the chair and state, "Will the author yield to a question and I wish to reserve my right to speak on this proposal."
- E. If a speaker finishes his or her speech in less than one minute, the speaker may yield the floor to someone on the same side of the issue. The person yielding must specify to whom they are yielding. The second speech has only the portion of time remaining from the first.

Chair calls "Previous Question": This ends debate. Only the chair may call Previous Question. There is no vote taken at this time.

Author's Summation Speech: If any time remains from the original three (3) minutes, the author may use the remaining time in addition to the two (2) minutes allotted for closing [e.g., author Jane Doe used 1:45 for her opening speech; therefore, she has 3:15 remaining for her summation speech rather than two (2) minutes].

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<sup>1</sup> If an ambassador wishes to ask the author more than one question during pro / con debate and is recognized by the chair, he or she must address the chair and ask, "Will the author yield to two questions?" (Only two questions will be allowed.) The chair will then proceed as outlined above.

Vote on Proposal:

- A. After the Author's summation speech, the chair will move on to a vote of "In favor / Opposed."
- B. This is a roll call vote by each ambassador in the committee, chamber, or council.
- C. After announcing the results (proposal is passed or defeated), the chair slowly raps the gavel twice.
- D. "Division" must be called by the chair in case of a close vote OR it may be called by any ambassador BETWEEN the two (2) gavel raps. If division is called, a hand or standing vote will be taken.

If the chair feels that the division was called only in protest of the results and that the vote had a clear winner, the chair may override the call of division.

- E. Chairs may vote only in the case of a tie vote.

Proceed to the next proposal on the docket.

## MODEL UNITED NATIONS BLOCS 2012

When choosing which country you are to represent, keep in mind that each country is in a different bloc. Most of the countries in your bloc share a similar type of government. At Model United Nations, the bloc will be the central focus of politics. Due to the fact that the governments are constantly changing, the government bloc into which your country bloc falls may be its current one. Some government types have been grouped together so that each bloc will be somewhat even in numbers.

Please note that the Conference Staff will not allow a single school to monopolize the Security Council or Economic and Social Council. Please be reasonable in the amount of countries that your club applies for in these councils. **When selecting countries that have representation in multiple councils, each council position must be filled by a delegate.**

⊗ SECURITY COUNCIL MEMBER

§ ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL COUNCIL MEMBER

(DATE OF ADMISSION INTO THE UNITED NATIONS)

### BLOC I

1. Australia (11/1/45)
2. United States § ⊗ (10/24/45)
3. United Kingdom § ⊗ (10/24/45)
4. Canada § (11/9/45)
5. Ireland § (12/14/55)
6. Iceland § (11/19/46)
7. Israel (5/11/49)
8. Venezuela (11/15/45)
9. Mexico § (11/7/45)
10. New Zealand § (10/24/45)

### BLOC II

1. Argentina (10/24/45)
2. Brazil § (10/24/45)
3. Spain (12/14/55)
4. Portugal § (12/14/55)
5. Columbia (11/5/45)
6. Chile (10/24/45)
7. Bolivia § (11/14/45)
8. Paraguay § (10/24/45)
9. Uruguay (12/18/45)
10. El Salvador § (10/24/45)
11. Andorra (7/28/93)
12. Guyana § (9/20/66)
13. Suriname (12/4/75)

### BLOC III

1. Libya (12/14/55)
2. China § ⊗ (10/24/45)
3. Cambodia (12/14/55)
4. Viet Nam (9/20/77)
5. North Korea (9/17/91)
6. Madagascar § (9/20/60)
7. Laos (12/14/55)
8. Singapore (9/21/65)
9. Cuba § (10/24/45)
10. Comoros (11/12/75)
11. Mongolia (10/27/61)
12. Thailand § (12/16/46)

### BLOC IV

1. Afghanistan (11/19/46)
2. Turkmenistan (3/2/92)
3. Kazakhstan § (3/2/92)
4. Tajikstan (3/2/92)
5. Ukraine (10/24/45)
6. Croatia (5/22/92)
7. Belarus § (10/24/45)
8. Latvia (9/17/91)
9. Armenia (3/2/92)
10. Estonia (9/17/91)
11. Kyrgyzstan (3/2/92)
12. Moldova (3/2/92)
13. Uzbekistan (3/2/92)
14. Lithuania § (9/17/91)

### BLOC V

1. Haiti § (10/24/45)
2. Dominican Republic (10/24/45)
3. Jamaica (9/18/62)
4. Barbados § (12/9/66)
5. Bahamas (9/18/73)
6. Costa Rica § (11/2/45)
7. Saint Lucia (9/18/79)
8. Antigua and Barbuda (11/11/81)
9. Dominica (12/18/78)
10. Grenada (9/17/74)
11. St. Kitts and Nevis (9/23/83)
12. St. Vincent and the Grenadines (9/16/80)
13. Trinidad and Tobago (9/18/62)

### BLOC VI

1. Nicaragua (10/24/45)
2. Guatemala (11/21/45)
3. Panama ⊗ (11/13/45)
4. Ecuador (12/21/45)
5. Peru ⊗ (10/31/45)
6. Honduras (12/17/45)
7. Belize (9/25/81)

**BLOC VII**

1. Denmark \$ (10/24/45)
2. Netherlands \$ (12/10/45)
3. Belgium ⊗ (12/27/45)
4. Luxembourg \$ (10/24/45)
5. France \$ ⊗ (10/24/45)
6. Norway (11/27/45)
7. Greece \$ (10/25/45)
8. Malta (12/1/64)
9. Cyprus (9/20/60)
10. Germany \$ (9/18/73)
11. Finland (12/14/55)
12. Sweden (11/19/46)
13. Italy ⊗ (12/14/55)
14. Liechtenstein (9/18/90)
15. Monaco (5/28/93)
16. San Marino (3/2/92)
17. Switzerland (9/10/02)

**BLOC X**

1. Central African Republic (9/20/60)
2. Gabon (9/20/60)
3. Chad \$ (9/20/60)
4. Congo, Republic of ⊗ (9/20/60)
5. Cameroon (9/20/60)
6. Equatorial Guinea (11/12/68)
7. Angola \$ (12/1/76)
8. Nigeria (10/7/60)
9. Niger (9/20/60)
10. Burkina Faso (9/20/60)
11. Democratic Republic of the Congo (9/20/60) \$
12. Sao Tome and Principe (9/16/75)

**BLOC XIII**

1. Poland (10/24/45)
2. Hungary (12/14/55)
3. Romania \$ (12/14/55)
4. Slovakia ⊗ (1/19/93)
5. Czech Republic \$ (1/19/93)
6. Georgia (7/31/92)
7. Albania \$ (12/14/55)
8. Bulgaria (12/14/55)
9. Austria \$ (12/14/55)
10. Slovenia (5/22/92)
11. Russian Federation \$ ⊗ (10/24/45)
12. Bosnia and Herzegovina (5/22/92)
13. Macedonia [former Rep of] (4/8/93)
14. Serbia (11/1/00)
15. Azerbaijan (3/9/92)

**BLOC VIII**

1. Senegal (9/28/60)
2. Gambia (9/21/65)
3. Guinea - Bissau \$ (9/17/74)
4. Guinea \$ (12/12/58)
5. Sierra Leone (9/27/61)
6. Liberia (11/2/45)
7. Ivory Coast [Cote d'Ivoire] (9/20/60)
8. Ghana ⊗ (3/8/57)
9. Togo (9/20/60)
10. Benin \$ (9/20/60)
11. Mauritania \$ (10/7/61)
12. Mali (9/28/60)
13. Morocco (11/12/56)
14. Timor-Leste (9/27/02)
15. Tonga (9/14/99)
16. Tuvalu (5/9/00)
17. Cape Verde (9/16/75) \$

**BLOC XI**

1. India \$ (10/30/45)
2. Nepal (12/14/55)
3. Bangladesh (9/17/74)
4. Myanmar (4/19/48)
5. Bhutan (9/21/71)
6. Pakistan \$ (9/30/47)
7. Sri Lanka \$ (12/14/55)
8. Kiribati (9/14/99)
9. Nauru (9/14/99)

**BLOC XIV**

1. South Africa \$ ⊗ (11/7/45)
2. Lesotho (10/17/66)
3. Namibia (4/23/90)
4. Botswana (10/17/66)
5. Zimbabwe (8/25/80)
6. Swaziland (9/24/68)
7. Mozambique (9/16/75)
8. Malawi \$ (12/1/64)
9. Zambia (12/1/64)

**BLOC IX**

1. Somalia \$ (9/20/60)
2. Rwanda (9/18/62)
3. Uganda (10/25/62)
4. Ethiopia (11/13/45)
5. Kenya (12/16/63)
6. Djibouti (9/20/77)
7. Sudan \$ (11/12/56)
8. Burundi (9/18/62)
9. Tanzania [United Rep of] (12/14/61)
10. Cape Verde (9/16/75)
11. Algeria \$ (10/8/62)
12. Tunisia (11/12/56)
13. Mauritius (4/24/68)
14. Eritrea (5/28/93)
15. Seychelles (9/21/76)

**BLOC XII**

1. Japan \$ (12/18/56)
2. South Korea (9/17/91)
3. Brunei Darussalaam (9/21/84)
4. Philippines \$ (10/24/45)
5. Indonesia \$ ⊗ (9/28/50)
6. Malaysia (9/17/57)
7. Fiji (10/13/70)
8. Maldives (9/21/65)
9. Marshall Is. (9/17/91)
10. Micronesia (9/17/91)
11. Papua New Guinea (10/10/75)
12. Palau (12/15/94)
13. Solomon Is. (9/19/78)
14. Vanuatu (9/15/81)
15. Samoa (12/15/76)

**BLOC XV**

1. Iraq \$ (12/21/45)
2. Oman (10/7/71)
3. Yemen (9/30/47)
4. United Arab Emirates (12/9/71)
5. Kuwait (5/14/63)
6. Saudi Arabia \$ (10/24/45)
7. Qatar ⊗ (9/21/71)
8. Jordan (12/14/55)
9. Iran (10/24/45)
10. Egypt (10/24/45)
11. Turkey (10/24/45)
12. Lebanon (10/24/45)
13. Syria (10/24/45)
14. Bahrain (9/21/71)

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# Mississippi United Nations Assembly Country Questionnaire

This questionnaire is intended to give a starting basis for research on the vital issues and topics which affect your country. Remember, this is a guide to help you research your country, and its completion is not a requirement for Model U.N. but is highly recommended.

Name of your country \_\_\_\_\_

1. General Statistics
 

<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>A. Size:</li> <li>C. Population:</li> <li>E. Language(s):</li> <li>G. Form of Government:</li> <li>I. Economic System: Capitalism Socialism Communism Other</li> <li>K. Gross National Product:</li> <li>M. Imports (value and items):</li> <li>O. Trading Partners:</li> <li>Q. Allies: Enemies:</li> <li>R. Member of which Bloc in United Nations: Western / Communist / African / Asian / Latin American / Non-Aligned / Other</li> <li>S. Member of which International Organizations other than the United Nations: NATO / EEC / OAS / OAU / ASEAN / GATT / WARSAW PACT / Other</li> </ol>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>B. Location - Neighboring States:</li> <li>D. Population Density:</li> <li>F. Religion(s) and Their Influence:</li> <li>H. Leader of Government:</li> <li>J. Type of Economy: Agricultural Industrialized Diversified Other</li> <li>L. National Resources:</li> <li>N. Exports (value and items):</li> <li>P. Technical and Economic Aid: Receive or Give From Whom or To Whom</li> </ol>
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- II. Your nation's policies in regards to:
  - A. Southern Africa (South Africa, Namibia, Zimbabwe)
    1. Does your country maintain political relations with South Africa?
    2. Does your country have any economic relations, investments or interests in South Africa? If so, what?
    3. What efforts has your country made to assist the AIDS in Africa problem?
  - B. Near and Middle East
    1. Does your country maintain political relations with Israel?
    2. Which party does your country favor in the Middle East conflict?
    3. Does your country recognize the PLO (Palestine Liberation Organization) as the legitimate representative of the Palestinian people?
    4. What is your nation's relation with Egypt?

- C. South East Asia
  - 1. What is your country's relationship with China?
  - 2. What is your country's relationship with India?
  - 3. What is your country's relationship with Japan?
  
- D. Disarmament
  - 1. Which branches of military does your country maintain?
    - a. Total number in the armed forces
    - b. Types of weapons your country possesses (tanks, jets, nuclear aircraft carriers)
  - 2. Does your country possess nuclear arms? If not, does it have the potential to design nuclear arms?
  - 3. Does your country fear a threat from countries which do have nuclear power?
  - 4. How does your country obtain arms? Do you sell or supply arms?
  
- E. Human Rights
  - 1. Does your country view human rights as an internal affair?
  - 2. To what extent does your country adhere to the Universal Declaration of Human Rights?
  - 3. Does your country support the International Bill of Human Rights?
  - 4. Does your country support the Helsinki Accords?
  - 5. What action does your country think the U.N. should take regarding terrorism?
  
- F. Energy
  - 1. How much energy does your country consume annually?
  - 2. How much energy does your country produce annually?
  - 3. How does your country obtain its energy? (nuclear, oil, natural gas, hydroelectric)
  
- G. Economic Issues
  - 1. Does your country support the work of the IBRD and the IMF (the International Bank of Reconstruction and Development, popularly known as the World Bank, and the International Monetary Fund)?
  - 2. How stable is your country's currency?
  - 3. Is your country a debtor nation or a creditor nation?
  - 4. Which countries are your principal debtors / creditors?
  
- H. Law of the Sea
  - 1. Does your country depend on the sea for transportation, national resources, or other purposes?
  - 2. Is your country willing to sacrifice some of its dependence for environmental or international concerns?
  - 3. Is your country a party to the Law of the Sea Accords?

### III. General United Nations Issues

When did your country join the United Nations?

Did the United Nations help your country become a nation?

Does your country feel that the United Nations should play a larger part in world affairs? If yes, how?

How much does your country contribute to the United Nations budget?

Would your country like to see a change in the current one vote per country voting? If yes, how?

Would your country support the abolition of the Security Council and/or the veto power of the five permanent members?

# Mississippi Model United Nations Official Registration Form

School \_\_\_\_\_ School Phone \_\_\_\_\_  
 School Fax \_\_\_\_\_ Advisor E-mail \_\_\_\_\_  
 Address \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_  
 Advisor Name \_\_\_\_\_ Advisor Home Phone \_\_\_\_\_

# _____ of Early Birds at \$85	\$ _____
# _____ of delegates at \$100	\$ _____
# _____ of adults at \$40	\$ _____
<b>Total Fees Due</b>	<b>\$ _____</b>

**Items to be included with this form:**

\_\_\_\_\_ Hotel Fees (payable to Cabot Lodge)      \_\_\_\_\_ Candidate Sketch(es) / Commitment Form(s)  
 \_\_\_\_\_ Registration Fees (payable to Mississippi Youth & Government)  
 \_\_\_\_\_ Delegate Contract / Health Forms      \_\_\_\_\_ World Court Justice Form(s)

**For Office Use Only:**

<u>Payments</u>			
Date _____	Amount _____	Receipt # _____	Balance Due _____
Date _____	Amount _____	Receipt # _____	Balance Due _____

**Please mail this form along with registration fees, hotel fees, candidate forms, and Conduct/Health forms to: Mississippi Youth & Government, 108 Kirkwood Drive, Clinton, MS 39056**

# Model United Nations Assembly Application for World Court Justice

School \_\_\_\_\_

School Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Advisor \_\_\_\_\_

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Applicant's Name \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail Address \_\_\_\_\_

Years of participation in World Court? \_\_\_\_\_

What bloc would you like to represent? (list top four choices)

1. \_\_\_\_\_

3. \_\_\_\_\_

2. \_\_\_\_\_

4. \_\_\_\_\_

What countries are in your first choice bloc? \_\_\_\_\_

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1. Where is The Hague located? \_\_\_\_\_

2. What was the main focus of the Hague Peace Conference of 1899? \_\_\_\_\_

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3. What is Chapter XIV, Article 92 of the U.N. Charter? \_\_\_\_\_

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4. When was the inaugural sitting of the International Court of Justice (ICJ)? \_\_\_\_\_

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5. What are the dual responsibilities of the International Court of Justice? \_\_\_\_\_

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6. May a World Court Justice be impeached? \_\_\_\_\_
7. Does the World Court set binding precedents? \_\_\_\_\_
8. What was the award in the Temple of Preah Vihear Case (Cambodia vs. Thailand)?

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What date? \_\_\_\_\_

9. What was the award in the Ambatielos Case (Greece vs. United Kingdom)? \_\_\_\_\_

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10. Will you fully research your topic(s) if you are selected as a World Court Justice? \_\_\_\_\_

Failure to do so will result in a less than enjoyable Model United Nations program.

11. What would you feel that you could add to the World Court experience? \_\_\_\_\_

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12. If you are not accepted into World Court, list your five top country choices.

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| 1. _____ | 4. _____ |
| 2. _____ | 5. _____ |
| 3. _____ |          |

Signature \_\_\_\_\_

# Mississippi United Nations Assembly Candidate Sketch / Commitment Form

Name \_\_\_\_\_ School \_\_\_\_\_

Home Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_ Home Phone \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail Address \_\_\_\_\_

Position Seeking \_\_\_\_\_

Please describe below in 200 words or less your past experiences or other offices you have held and any other information about yourself which you believe will help in your campaign. Candidate sketches may be printed in the conference newspaper.

As a candidate for elected office at the Mississippi United Nations Assembly, I hereby agree to abide by the rules of this Assembly and uphold the high ideals of the MSYAG. I understand that failure to conduct myself or my campaign in an appropriate manner will result in my being removed as a candidate.

Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Mail or fax so that this form may be received by the target date to:  
Mississippi Youth & Government, 108 Kirkwood Dr., Clinton, MS 39056

# Mississippi United Nations Assembly Health Form

School \_\_\_\_\_ Advisor \_\_\_\_\_  
Delegate Name \_\_\_\_\_ Birth Date \_\_\_\_\_ Sex \_\_\_\_\_  
Address \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_  
Delegate's Email Address \_\_\_\_\_

Parent or Guardian (or Spouse) \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_  
Place of Employment \_\_\_\_\_ Work Phone \_\_\_\_\_

If not available in an emergency notify:

1. \_\_\_\_\_ Relation \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_
2. \_\_\_\_\_ Relation \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Allergies, Diseases, Illnesses, Injuries, or Operations (Dates): \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Currently Prescribed Medication \_\_\_\_\_  
Name of Physician \_\_\_\_\_

Do you carry medical / hospital insurance? Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_  
Indicate Carrier \_\_\_\_\_ Policy / Group # \_\_\_\_\_

## Parent's Authorization:

I understand that even when every reasonable precaution is taken, accidents can still happen. Therefore, in exchange for the Mississippi Youth & Government allowing my child to participate in their activities, I release Mississippi Youth & Government for all liability or any injury, loss or damage connected in anyway whatsoever to my child(ren)'s participation in Mississippi Youth & Government activities. I understand that this release includes all staff, directors, members and guests. I hereby give permission to the physician selected by the Mississippi Youth & Government representative to order X-rays, routine tests and treatment for the health of my child, and in the event that I cannot be reached in an emergency. I hereby give permission to the attending physician to hospitalize, secure proper treatment for, and to order injection and / or anesthesia and / or surgery for my child as name above on this form. I understand that my insurance will cover this expense, or I will assume responsibility for medical expenses resulting from illness and / or injury. I also understand that photographs or video may be taken of my child to be used by Mississippi Youth & Government for publicity purposes. I also understand that there are no refunds for this program if my child is unable to participate.

Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Witness \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

## **MS Youth & Government Values Based Code of Conduct Contract**

The Mississippi Youth & Government believes strongly in developing character. We therefore challenge and expect each delegate and advisor to uphold this contract based on caring, honesty, respect and responsibility.

### **I UNDERSTAND:**

- This contract must be signed by me and my parent or guardian before I can attend the Mississippi Youth & Government Model United Nations.
- I accept the responsibility to comply with ALL of the provisions in this contract and understand that violations of this contract can result in expulsion from the program and/or loss of office.
- My parents understand that if I violate the contract, I will be required to call them, and they have agreed to accept the responsibility to pick me up within two hours (or, if driving further than two hours, as soon as possible).

### **BEHAVIOR:**

- I understand that I am expected to be responsible for my own behavior while respecting the rights of all program participants.
- Because I respect my body, I will not bring and/or consume alcohol, drugs or tobacco at any officially scheduled Youth & Government activity, including my hotel room.
- I will be responsible to remain in my assigned hotel room from curfew until 7:00 a.m.
- In consideration of my roommates, I will not permit anyone other than my assigned roommates to be in my room from curfew until 7:00 a.m.
- Because we respect others all Mississippi Youth & Government meetings will begin on time. I accept the responsibility to be in my assigned location at the appropriate time, and understand my failure to be present on time will result minimally in my entire delegation's loss of Premier Delegation.
- I accept the responsibility to be in attendance at all scheduled events during the conference.
- I will not use my personal car during the Model United Nations conference.

### **DRESS:**

- I respect Youth & Government and the role I will assume during the conference. I will be appropriately attired at all Youth & Government functions.  
Ladies: Dresses, skirt and sweaters or a coordinated dressy pants suit.  
Gentlemen: Shirt and ties; suit or slacks and sport jacket - jackets must be worn at all times.

OR ANY APPROPRIATE DRESS FOR THE COUNTRY YOU REPRESENT

- Badges are considered official credentials and will allow access to state buildings and Youth & Government activities. I understand they must be worn at all times and will serve as my ticket to the Sunday banquet.

### **HOTEL:**

- I understand all telephone calls from the hotel must be made on pay phones.
- I understand non program visitors are not permitted at the hotel.
- I agree to treat the hotel with great respect, and will pay for any damage I might inadvertently cause.

- I understand I must respect other hotel guests by going quietly to and remaining quiet in my room at night and observing elevator courtesy by allowing people to get off of the elevator before I get on.

I have read, understand and accept the responsibility to abide by this Code of Conduct Contract.

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Delegate's Signature

School Delegation

I have read and understand this contract, and will respect the decisions of the YMCA Youth & Government Staff and/or School Advisor in judging my teen's behavior. I agree to hold the YMCA harmless, and give my permission for my teen's photo or video of my teen to be used by the media and for YMCA promotional purposes.

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Parent or Guardian's Signature

Date

# Mississippi Youth & Government Model United Nations Tentative Schedule of Events

## **THURSDAY**

4:00-6:00 p.m.	Registration
5:00-6:00 p.m.	Dinner on your own
6:00-6:30 p.m.	Advisor Meeting
6:30-7:00 p.m.	Candidates Meeting -
7:00-8:30 p.m.	Opening Ceremony/Parade of Nations
8:30-11:00 p.m.	Summit Meetings
11:00-11:10 p.m.	Devotion
11:30 p.m.	On Your Own Hall / In Your Own Room

## **FRIDAY**

7:00-8:00 a.m.	Officers' Breakfast
8:00-11:00 a.m.	General Assembly & Councils Meet
11:00-12:30 p.m.	Lunch
12:30-5:00 p.m.	General Assembly & Councils Meet
5:00-6:00 p.m.	Free Time
6:00-7:30 p.m.	Banquet (Festival of Nations)
7:30-10:00 p.m.	General Assembly & Councils Meet
10:00-11:15 p.m.	Social
11:15-11:25 p.m.	Devotion
11:40 p.m.	On Your Own Hall / In Your Own Room

## **SATURDAY**

7:00-8:00 a.m.	Officer's Breakfast
8:00-11:00 a.m.	General Assembly & Councils Meet
11:00-12:00 p.m.	Closing Ceremony & Awards Banquet

## Online Delegation Registration

### **For New Delegations:**

1. Go to [www.msyag.org](http://www.msyag.org)
2. Click on the “Online Registration Link” at the bottom of the page.
3. Enter your Username and Password. Make sure to use the proper capitalization. If you do not have your username or password, please contact the conference office, [director@msyag.org](mailto:director@msyag.org).
4. Once logged onto your club page, select “Add A Member” from the tabs at the top of the page to begin adding your delegates.
5. Enter the information for your first delegate as instructed.
6. To continue adding your remaining delegates, select “Add Member” from the screen.
7. Once all members have been added (students and adults), close the window and “Refresh” your roster screen.
8. Use the drop down menu under “Model UN Position” to select which position each delegate will hold at the MUN Conference. Do not select anything under the “Youth Legislature Position”, or “Jr. Youth Assembly Position” columns. These are used for the other Mississippi Youth & Government conferences.
9. Use the drop down menu to select which country the student will represent. Do not select a country until you have confirmed that this delegate will attend. Once a country is selected, you will be responsible for the registration fee for this delegate, regardless of attendance. If a country is not listed, it has already been selected. Each delegation may only select one of the veto powers: United States, United Kingdom, Russian, China and France.
10. Enter an email address for each delegate under the “Email” column.
11. The “Hotel Room” column will be used to assign your delegates to hotel rooms through the process described in the Online Hotel Reservation section that follows.

### **For Returning Delegations:**

1. Go to [www.msyag.org](http://www.msyag.org)
2. Click on the “Online Registration Link” at the bottom of the page.
3. Enter your Username and Password. Make sure to use the proper capitalization. If you do not have your username or password, please contact the conference office, [director@msyag.org](mailto:director@msyag.org).
4. Once logged onto your club page, review the delegates that are listed (these will be the names of the delegates that attended last year’s conference). For any delegates that have graduated or are not attending this year’s conference, select “Inactive” under the column “Active?”. Make sure that any delegates that are attending the conference this year are listed as active. Once you have reviewed your delegation list and made the necessary changes to their “Active?” status, click the “Click Here To Update?” button.
5. To add additional delegates to your existing list, select “Add A Member” from the tabs at the top of the page to begin adding your delegates and enter the information for your first delegate as instructed.
6. To continue adding your remaining delegates, select “Add Member” from the screen.
7. Once all members have been added (students and adults), close the window and “Refresh” your roster screen.

8. Use the drop down menu under “Model UN Position” to select which position each delegate will hold at the Youth Legislature Conference. Do not select anything under the “Youth Legislature Position” or “Jr. Youth Assembly Position” columns. These are used for the other Mississippi Youth & Government conferences.
9. Use the drop down menu to select which country the student will represent. Do not select a country until you have confirmed that this delegate will attend. Once a country is selected, you will be responsible for the registration fee for this delegate, regardless of attendance. If a country is not listed, it has already been selected. Each delegation may only select one of the veto powers: United States, United Kingdom, Russian, China and France.
10. Enter an email address for each delegate under the “Email” column.
11. Use the “Hotel Room” Column to make your reservations as described below.

### Online Hotel Reservations

All hotel reservations must be made through the online registration system.

1. Go to [www.msyag.org](http://www.msyag.org)
2. Click on the “Online Registration Link” at the bottom of the page.
3. Enter your Username and Password. Make sure to use the proper capitalization. If you do not have your username or password, please contact the conference office, [director@msyag.org](mailto:director@msyag.org).
4. Review your list of delegates to make sure all of the appropriate individuals are listed as active.
5. Use the “Hotel Room” column to indicate which students you would like to place in a room together. To do this, enter corresponding numbers beside the students that you want to be in the same hotel room. A maximum of four students to a room are allowed per hotel room.

Example, if a delegation was attending with 8 males, 4 females and one advisor, they would enter a "1" under the Room Column for the first 4 males, a "2" in the Room Column for the second group of 4 males, a "3" under the Room Column for the 4 females and a "4" under the Room Column for the Advisor. This would reserve four rooms for the delegation.

## Online Proposal Submission

All proposals must be submitted through the online bill submission system.

1. One author for each bill must create an online account to submit their bill.
2. Go to [www.msyag.org](http://www.msyag.org)
3. Select the “MUN Proposal Submission” link at the bottom of the page
4. Create an account by entering their email address and password. If a delegate attending a previous session, they will need to use a new password than previously used. Their email address may remain the same.
5. It is recommended that Advisors maintain a copy of each student’s username and password for access in the event the student forgets their log in information.
6. Once a user account has been created, delegates may begin entering by following the format provided through the online system.
7. Proper format should be followed as described under the earlier sections of the Advisor Manual, Proposal Writing Guidelines.
8. As delegates are entering their proposal into the system, they may select the “I am not finished, keep it private for now” option at the bottom of the page under the (Publish to the Bill Room?) tab. Selecting this option will keep the bill hidden from the view of others.
9. Once the proposal is completed and finalized, delegates should select the “Let Others See My Bill” option from the (Publish to the Bill Room?) tab. This will enter the proposal into the Electronic Proposal Room, where it will be able to be viewed by other delegates.
10. Once the proposal is published, no further changes may be made to the proposal.
11. All published proposals may be viewed by delegates by selecting the “2010” link from the View The Electronic Proposal Room selection at the top of the Proposal Submission Log in screen.

# CONFERENCE T-SHIRT ORDER FORM

T-SHIRTS ARE \$12. PLEASE MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE TO MISSISSIPPI YOUTH & GOVERNMENT

NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

SCHOOL: \_\_\_\_\_

SIZE (CIRCLE ONE)

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