

Global Elementary Model United Nations (G.E.M.U.N.)

General Session

May 15 & 16, 2009

Location: **Brookhaven College, Dallas, Texas**

Welcome to GEMUN XX!

Global Elementary Model United Nations (GEMUN) provides a unique and creative educational opportunity for all participants. This nine-month long working experience provides a student/delegate with an unparalleled opportunity not only to study the United Nations, but to experience it through role-playing. Student/delegates, in small groups called delegations, represent assigned countries and garner a genuine appreciation of other cultures and perspectives on issues. Following the study and research of global problems, students incorporate critical thinking, writing and interpersonal skills to create and submit resolutions. The practice of diplomacy, public speaking, and caucusing culminate for the year in an exciting two-day session in May at Brookhaven College in Dallas, Texas, U.S.A.

The General Session this year is a simulation of these ten bodies in the United Nations System: **General Assembly (GA), Security Council (SC), Economic and Social Council (ECOSOC), Human Rights Council (HRC), United Nations Environment Programme (UNEP), United Nations Children's Fund (UNICEF), World Health Organization (WHO), Commission on the Status of Women (CSW), United Nations Development Programme (UNDP), and Food and Agriculture Organization (FAO).**

The Structure of GEMUN

Ten Committees to be role-played at GEMUN XX:

General Assembly (GA): The GA is the central organ of the United Nations, where every nation can speak up and be heard on any matter. All Members of the United Nations are represented in it (see enclosed list of member nations). Every country has the same vote as every other country. The **Human Rights Council (HRC)** is a subsidiary body of the General Assembly created in 2006 with the main purpose of addressing situations of human rights violations and make recommendations on them.

(Explanation of structure continued on next page.)

Security Council (SC): The fifteen members of the SC (five permanent and ten non-permanent) address all issues relating to world peace and security (*SC members are marked (*) on the enclosed list of Current Members of the United Nations*).

Economic and Social Council (ECOSOC): ECOSOC is concerned with economic problems, such as trade and economic development, and social issues, including children's issues, women's rights, racial discrimination, poverty, etc. The work of ECOSOC is too big for a single organ. It works with what are called Specialized Agencies, Functional Commissions and United Nations Programmes.

Specialized Agencies, Commissions or Programmes to be role-played at GEMUN this year are: **United Nations Environment Program (UNEP), United Nations Children's Fund (UNICEF), World Health Organization (WHO), Commission on the Status of Women (CSW), United Nations Development Programme (UNDP)** and the **Food and Agriculture Organization (FAO)**.

The total number of student-delegates suggested for the most effective GEMUN delegation:
Countries which are members of BOTH Security Council and Human Rights Council–10.
Countries which are EITHER SC or HRC members–9.
All other countries -- one delegate for each Committee covered by the delegation.
(Minimum of 5 delegates to represent a major country. All other countries, no minimum.)

GEMUN 2009 COMMITTEES AND TOPICS

1) General Assembly (GA)

Measures to Combat International Terrorism; Genocide Prevention; Genetic Engineering in Plants, Animals, and Humans; International Programs to Aid in the Development of Africa; Nuclear Disarmament and Non-Proliferation; Improving Response to Humanitarian Crises; Implementation of The Millennium Development Goals and Open Agenda

2) Security Council (SC)

Disarmament, Peacekeeping, The situation in the Middle East, Landmines and Open agenda–All Issues of Security and International Peace

3) Economic and Social Council (ECOSOC)

Eradication of Extreme Poverty and Hunger, Productive Employment and Decent Work, The Digital Divide, Oil Crisis, Indebted Third World Countries and Open Agenda

4) Human Rights Council (HRC)

Indigenous People, Poverty, Racism, Trafficking in Persons and Open Agenda

5) United Nations Environmental Programme (UNEP)

Climate Change, Ozone Depletion, Chemical/ Hazardous Waste, Alternative Energy Sources, Biodiversity, Regional Seas and Open Agenda

6) World Health Organization (WHO)

HIV/Aids, World Hunger & Malnutrition, International Spread of Disease, Sanitation of Water, Substance Abuse, Health Action in Crisis and Open Agenda

7) United Nations Children's Fund (UNICEF)

Children, Safe Water and Sanitation; Child Education; Children's Rights; Children in War Afflicted Areas; Orphans; Child Mortality and Open Agenda

8) Commission on the Status of Women (CSW)

Women's Rights, Education and Empowerment of Women, Violence Against Women, Discrimination Against Women, Healthcare and Welfare of Women, Maternal Health and Child Care, Female Refugees, Women's Status in Government/Employment and Open Agenda

9) United Nations Development Programme (UNDP)

Democratic Governance, Poverty Reduction and UNDP, Crisis Prevention and Recovery, Environment and Energy for Sustainable Development, HIV/AIDS and Human Development and Any Other Relevant Topics

10) Food and Agriculture Organization (FAO)

Eradicating Hunger, Biotechnology, High Food Prices, Food Security, Climate Change, Nutrition Education, Water Scarcity/Quality, Aquaculture and Open Agenda

REGISTRATION PROCEDURE FOR PARTICIPATION

1. Student/delegates discuss and decide which country (or countries) to role-play.
2. On the registration form, list **five** country choices in order of preference for **each** delegation. Country assignments will be issued according to **postmark date** on **paid** registrations.
3. Deadline for return of registration form -- **postmarked by October 31**. (A late fee **must** accompany registrations sent after this date -- ****NOTE** first year participants exempted from late fee.**)
4. Enclose registration fees with form. **Registrations without fees cannot be processed.**

REGISTRATION FEES

Registration fee for *each delegate* -- **\$27.00**. For *each sponsor* -- **\$20**.

Expense for organizational duties, materials and printing requires a **LATE FEE of \$3.00** for each delegate registered after the deadline. **The registration fee after October 31 deadline is \$30 per delegate (sponsor fees do not change after deadline).** Checks or money orders should be made payable to GEMUN (Global Elementary Model United Nations) and returned with registration form to:

GEMUN, 6005 Royaloak Dr., Arlington, TX, USA 76016-1035

If you need more information: Marti Cockrell, The Robert Muller School -- 817/654-1018
cell -- 817-819-7081 email -- rmswcc@airmail.net

Current Members of the United Nations -- Fall, 2008 (*SC Members, ** HRC Members)

1 Afghanistan	41 Côte d'Ivoire	79 Iran (Islamic Rep.)	116 Mozambique	155 Slovakia**
2 Albania	42 Croatia*	80 Iraq	117 Myanmar	156 Slovenia**
3 Algeria	43 Cuba**	81 Ireland	118 Namibia	157 Solomon Islands
4 Andorra	44 Cyprus	82 Israel	119 Nauru	158 Somalia
5 Angola**	45 Czech Republic	83 Italy* **	120 Nepal	159 South Africa* **
6 Antigua&Barbuda	46 Democratic	84 Jamaica	121 Netherlands**	160 Spain
7 Argentina**	People's Rep. of Korea	85 Japan**	122 New Zealand	161 Sri Lanka
8 Armenia	47 Democratic Republic	86 Jordan**	123 Nicaragua**	162 Sudan
9 Australia	of the Congo	87 Kazakhstan	124 Niger	163 Suriname
10 Austria	48 Denmark	88 Kenya	125 Nigeria**	164 Swaziland
11 Azerbaijan**	49 Djibouti**	89 Kiribati	126 Norway	165 Sweden
12 Bahamas	50 Dominica	90 Kuwait	127 Oman	166 Switzerland**
13 Bahrain**	51 Dominican Republic	91 Kyrgyzstan	128 Pakistan**	167 Syrian Arab Republic
14 Bangladesh**	52 Ecuador	92 Lao People's	129 Palau	168 Tajikistan
15 Barbados	53 Egypt**	Democratic Rep.	130 Panama*	169 Thailand
16 Belarus	54 El Salvador	93 Latvia	131 Papua New Guinea	170 The frmr Yugoslav
17 Belgium*	55 Equatorial Guinea	94 Lebanon	132 Paraguay	Rep. of Macedonia
18 Belize	56 Eritrea	95 Lesotho	133 Peru	171 Timor-Leste
19 Benin	57 Estonia	96 Liberia	134 Philippines**	172 Togo
20 Bhutan	58 Ethiopia	97 Libyan Arab	135 Poland	173 Tonga
21 Bolivia**	59 Fiji	Jamahiriya*	136 Portugal	174 Trinidad & Tobago
22 Bosnia/Herz.**	60 Finland	98 Liechtenstein	137 Qatar**	175 Tunisia
23 Botswana	61 France* **	99 Lithuania	138 Republic of Korea**	176 Turkey
24 Brazil**	62 Gabon**	100 Luxembourg	139 Republic of Moldova	177 Turkmenistan
25 Brunei Darusslm	63 Gambia	101 Madagascar**	140 Romania	178 Tuvalu
26 Bulgaria	64 Georgia	102 Malawi	141 Russian Federation* **	179 Uganda
27 Burkina Faso* **	65 Germany**	103 Malaysia**	142 Rwanda	180 Ukraine**
28 Burundi	66 Ghana**	104 Maldives	143 Saint Kitts & Nevis	181 United Arab Emirates
29 Cambodia	67 Greece	105 Mali	144 Saint Lucia	182 United Kingdom* **
30 Cameroon**	68 Grenada	106 Malta	145 Saint Vincent and	183 United Rep. of
31 Canada**	69 Guatemala	107 Marshall Islands	the Grenadines	Tanzania
32 Cape Verde	70 Guinea	108 Mauritania	146 Samoa	184 USA*
33 Cent. African Rep.	71 Guinea-Bissau	109 Mauritius**	147 San Marino	185 Uruguay**
34 Chad	72 Guyana	110 Mexico**	148 Sao Tome & Principe	186 Uzbekistan
35 Chile**	73 Haiti	111 Micronesia	149 Saudi Arabia**	187 Vanuatu
36 China* **	74 Honduras	(Fed. States of)	150 Senegal**	188 Venezuela
37 Colombia	75 Hungary	112 Monaco	151 Serbia and Montenegro	189 Viet Nam*
38 Comoros	76 Iceland	113 Mongolia	152 Seychelles	190 Yemen
39 Congo	77 India**	114 Montenegro	153 Sierra Leone	191 Zambia**
40 Costa Rica*	78 Indonesia* **	115 Morocco	154 Singapore	192 Zimbabwe

GEMUN 2009 CALENDAR

IMPORTANT DATES -- PLEASE MARK YOUR CALENDAR!!

Sat., October 11 (9 am-12 noon)
 Morningside Middle School
 2751 Mississippi Ave, Fort Worth, TX

First Delegate Workshop*
 Overview--Committees, topics
 Positions, Position Papers discussed

October 31

Registration due (postmarked)

January 9, 2009

Position Papers, Committee Assignments due
 (postmarked)

Sat., January 31 (9 am-12 noon)
 Morningside M.S. (see above)

Second Delegate Workshop*
 Resolution Writing, Debate Procedure

March 28

Resolutions due (postmarked)

April dates & locations to be assigned

Practice Session(s)*

May 15 (Friday, 9 am-3 pm)

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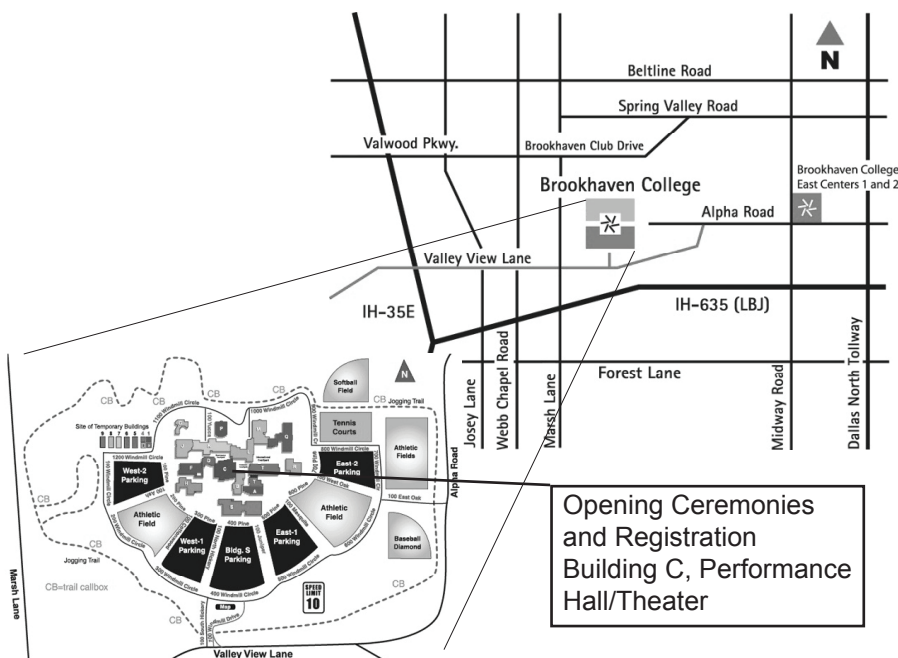
May 16 (Saturday, 9 am- 5:30 pm)

GEMUN XX*! -- Brookhaven

***Bring paper, pencil and GEMUN Handbook to all Sessions.**

Brookhaven College How do we get there?

Brookhaven College is located at 3939 Valley View Lane, Farmers Branch, Dallas, TX. Opening Ceremonies and Registration will be in Building C, the Performance Hall/Theater Building, from 8:30 am until approximately 11:00 am Friday, May 15th. If you arrive late, a Directory in the Performance Hall Lobby will show you where the Committees and Information Center are located.



GEMUN 2009 REGISTRATION FORM

Global Elementary Model United Nations

Sponsor/ Contact Name _____ School/Organization Name _____
 (circle grades registering: 4 5 6 7 8)

Mailing Address _____ City _____ State _____ Zip _____

School Area Code and Phone Number _____ Home Area Code and Phone Number _____

School Area Code and fax _____ e-mail address _____

Did you (as sponsor) participate in GEMUN last year?

Yes ___ No ___

Did your school participate? Yes ___ No ___

If yes in either case, please list last year's country assignment(s) _____

students registering: _____

sponsors to receive mailings: _____

Total #: _____

@\$27 each, amount for students: \$ _____

@\$20 each, amount for sponsors: \$ _____

(if late fee applies, add \$3 for each student)

Total amount enclosed \$ _____

List below **FIVE** country choices for each delegation in order of preference. From each set of 5 nations listed, one will be assigned. List country choices on back of this sheet to register more than 3 delegations.

NOTE: IN ORDER TO BE CONSIDERED TO REPRESENT A PERMANENT MEMBER OF SECURITY COUNCIL, ATTACH A PARAGRAPH STATING THE REASONS YOUR GROUP IS QUALIFIED TO REPRESENT THIS COUNTRY.

Delegation #1	Delegation #2	Delegation #3
1.	1.	1.
2.	2.	2.
3.	3.	3.
4.	4.	4.
5.	5.	5.