Mira Costa Model UN

2020-2021
Welcome to the Weirdest Semester of Model UN Ever...

Model UN used to look like: [Image]
But, let’s be honest, it isn’t going to look anything like this photo for awhile...

Who doesn’t like teenagers in western business attire? Other than teenagers, of course.
For at least the Fall semester, it is going to look a lot more like

And, if we’re really lucky it is the dog who will be asleep...
But, given our history, do not think for a single minute that a pandemic is going to stop us from doing what needs to be done.

Because, in truth, if anyone can argue on-line, it is a bunch of teenagers. They simply need the tools to do it well. To that end, Mira Costa Model UN is...
Going Virtual!

❖ Our mission is the same- build conscientious learners and debaters who develop a sense of awareness and knowledge on international issues, relations, and diplomacy. Students will be required to research, write position papers, and participate in speaking/debating activities and conferences.

❖ Activities and Assignments:
  ➢ Students are required to stay on top of current events (subscriptions to WaPo, NYT, The Economist, Financial Times, Foreign Policy, CIAOnet)
  ➢ Weekly current events quizzes
  ➢ Preparing for upcoming conferences (research, position papers, prepare speeches, binders, roast sheets, etc.)
  ➢ Attendance and full participation at all required virtual conferences
  ➢ Social studies grading curve will apply
“Local” Virtual Conference Schedule

Advanced local conferences:

❖ Cerritos: 10/24-10/25
❖ Edison: 11/14-11/15
❖ LAIMUN: 12/5-12/6
❖ Huntington: 1/9-1/10

Conferences will be held on Saturdays and Sundays.

Saturday: 8:30-11:30am; 1:30-4:30pm
Sunday: 8:30-11:30am

*Students will be required to attend all virtual “local” conferences.
“Travel” Virtual Conference Schedule

We will revisit travel conferences in the Spring.

As of now, our usual conferences such as NHSMUN (New York), MUNUC (Chicago), NAIMUN (Georgetown), and PMUN (Princeton) are planning on holding in-person conferences in the Spring, but this will most likely change. We will confirm dates and changes as their plans finalize.
Model UN Booster Club

what we do:

1. **Financially** - purchase classroom supplies and online research subscriptions; sell MUN merchandise; pay advisor stipends; manage travel trip finances and student donations
2. **Hands-on volunteering** - fundraisers, LAIMAN conference, and chaperone local & travel trips
3. **Logistically** - manage student registration, plan fundraisers & year end banquet, coordinate parent volunteers; update parents on MUN activities
4. **Socially** - Parent/Advisor Mixer, Sophomore Senior Bonding Day, Mom’s Night Out

how we do it:

Visit our homepage under the Activities tab on the Mira Costa high school homepage and do the following: [https://www.miracostahigh.org/apps/pages/MCHSMUN](https://www.miracostahigh.org/apps/pages/MCHSMUN)

1. signup with our online MUN registration forms (these are **required** and must be updated every year)
2. purchase MUN gear and pay your student “ask” contribution
3. sign-up for volunteer opportunities
4. sign-up to stay connected with our monthly “Eblast” newsletters
how we pay for it:

1. Fundraising - Hometown Fair booth, Poinsettia Sale, LAIMAN, CPK night
2. Student “ask” donation: Every donation matters so please help support this award-winning program!

who we are:

Karen Householter/President
Stephanie Mibu/Treasurer
Jessica Moffett/Finance
Tracee Farrell/Volunteers
Melinda Hayes-Yamamoto/Travel Coordinator & Secretary
Questions about the course or course-related issues can be sent to MUN advisors:
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Registration questions can be sent to MUN Booster President, Karen Householter: president@mchsmun.org