



## **GSMUN XIV**

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Dear Model UN Sponsor,

During this hectic holiday season, I would like to take this time to personally invite you to the fourteenth annual Governor's School Model United Nations Conference (GSMUN). The conference will be held March 25-26<sup>th</sup>, 2011, at the Maggie L. Walker Governor's School.

Model United Nations offers hands-on learning about world affairs and international relations that one is unlikely to find anywhere else. By representing the viewpoint of another nation or person in structured debate and replicating the United Nations, delegates receive opportunities to think in another way, see another perspective, and increase their awareness of complex international issues.

GSMUN, a conference for middle and high schools in the area, has been a product of student effort since its inception fourteen years ago. The secretariat and staff of GSMUN XIV have been preparing to craft a conference focused on pressing issues whose far-reaching effects are not always matched by the attention they garner in the news. Especially at GSMUN, delegates take advantage of targeted committees that help them to develop their own opinions and ideas for the many problems facing the global community today.

It is our goal that delegates have a meaningful experience at GSMUN XIV, and thus every day has been working since last year to put together unrivaled committees for March. This year, GSMUN is proud to offer committees including the Disarmament and International Security Committee, an historic British House of Commons, the African Union, the United States Cabinet of 2001, a Joint Crisis between the Koreans, and the International Federation of Association Football (FIFA), among others.

I hope you have received the conference brochure and registration information. If you are interested in attending this year's conference and need more information, please contact me at [gsmunxivsecgen@gmail.com](mailto:gsmunxivsecgen@gmail.com), or our sponsor, Mr. Max Smith, at [msmith@gsgis.k12.va.us](mailto:msmith@gsgis.k12.va.us). Conference information, including the brochure, is also available on our website, [www.gsmun14.weebly.com](http://www.gsmun14.weebly.com). Registration information and fees are due no later than February 1, 2011. After we process registration forms, we will send out delegation assignments. In the interest of making our conference the best it can be, the Maggie Walker Model UN Club will send experienced students to help train delegates upon request. We will make every attempt to honor all requests for training.

If you have any questions, comments, concerns, or requests, please do not hesitate to contact me. The entire staff of GSMUN XIV is excitedly working to put together a conference that we know both you and your students will enjoy.

Sincerely,

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