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# BASIC GUIDELINES FOR AN ONLINE MMUN CONFERENCE

## THIS IS A FREE AND OPTIONAL EVENT

This new conference will be held over more days than the original conference period, and during the most appropriate time zone for each committee, with a minimal variation. Each committee will start at either 9 AM or 10 AM EST for approximately three (3) hours with a short break in the middle.

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**MMUN ONLINE**

**MAY 14<sup>TH</sup> - 20<sup>TH</sup>  
2020**  
(Restricted to Previous  
Country Assignments  
for Chicago)

**MAY 26<sup>TH</sup> - 1<sup>ST</sup>  
OF JUNE 2020**  
(Restricted to Previous  
Country Assignments  
for Rome)

	<b>ACTIVITY</b>	<b>NEW POSITION PAPER DEADLINE APRIL 17<sup>TH</sup></b>	<b>NEW POSITION PAPER DEADLINE APRIL 17<sup>TH</sup></b>
<b>DAY 1</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Opening Ceremony</li> <li>• Committee Introductions</li> <li>• Delegate Tutorial</li> </ul>	May 14 <sup>TH</sup> 9 or 10 AM EST start time for three (3) hours	May 26 <sup>TH</sup> 9 or 10 AM EST start time for three (3) hours
<b>DAY 2</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Morning Committee Session</li> </ul>	May 15 <sup>TH</sup> 9 or 10 AM EST start time for three (3) hours	May 27 <sup>TH</sup> 9 or 10 AM EST start time for three (3) hours
<b>DAY 3</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Morning Committee Session</li> </ul>	May 16 <sup>TH</sup> 9 or 10 AM EST start time for three (3) hours	May 28 <sup>TH</sup> 9 or 10 AM EST start time for three (3) hours
<b>DAY 4</b>	<i>Break</i>	May 17 <sup>TH</sup>	May 29 <sup>TH</sup>
<b>DAY 5</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Morning Committee Session</li> </ul>	May 18 <sup>TH</sup> 9 or 10 AM EST start time for three (3) hours	May 30 <sup>TH</sup> 9am or 10am EST start time for three (3) hours
<b>DAY 6</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Morning Committee Session</li> </ul>	May 19 <sup>TH</sup> 9 or 10 AM EST start time for three (3) hours	May 31 <sup>ST</sup> 9 or 10 AM EST start time for three (3) hours
<b>DAY 7</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Closing Ceremony</li> </ul>	May 20 <sup>TH</sup> TBD	June 1 <sup>ST</sup> TBD



## TECHNOLOGY

- The platform for all committee sessions will be Zoom.
- Zoom is a video conferencing application. There are no special requirements for the Zoom platform, other than any type of reliable internet connection (including DSL, cable, wireless, or cellular hotspot -- recommended bandwidth 2 mpbs) plus a device with webcam capability. MMUN suggests a laptop or tablet, but smartphones will work, provided the user connects through the internet and does not dial-in.
- After we confirm participation, access links and passwords will be sent out to the Teacher Coordinators who will forward them to the participating delegates. A personal or school Zoom account will not be necessary.



## ONLINE FORMAT

We will be producing training materials, as well as offering several practice sessions on Zoom for those delegates or schools that are interested in trying the technology, as well as how the rules of procedures are supported by the platform. More information to follow.



**MAX 50**

### SMALL COMMITTEES

- All committee sizes will be limited to 50 delegates or fewer. Additional consideration and support will be given to the Upper Elementary age group.



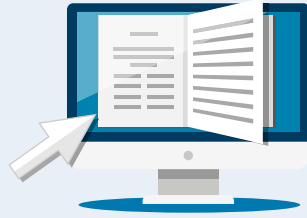
### OBSERVERS

- Observers will not be allowed in the Zoom sessions
- Committee sessions will be live-streamed to a private YouTube channel, accessible only to observers authorized by the schools.



### DRESS CODE REMAINS FORMAL

- Video will be turned on during Roll Call, Opening Speeches and Informal sessions.



## ONLINE EVENTS



### OPENING CEREMONY

- Will be streamed on YouTube and include staff and UN speeches, a pre-recorded flag shout-out from participating delegates, and special guest appearances.



### COMMITTEE SESSIONS

- **INTRODUCTIONS** - A tutorial held Day One to prepare for committee procedures using icebreakers.
- **ROLL CALL** - Video will be on to spotlight delegates.
- **OPENING SPEECHES** - 1 minute speeches by one delegate per topic - video will be on to spotlight the speaking delegate.
- **INFORMAL CONSULTATIONS** - Negotiations will take place under bureau supervision in breakout rooms with all video on.
- **FORMAL CONSULTATION** - Delegates will raise their hands to be recognized by the chair to speak - video will be turned off during this time.
- **DRAFTING WORKING PAPERS** - The Bureau will record all proposed solutions and display them through screen share as they begin drafting resolutions.

- **BUILDING CONSENSUS** - The breakout rooms will slowly merge as the bureau shares working papers and guides the committee toward consensus.
- **LINE BY LINE REVIEW** - Completed draft resolutions will go through the line-by-line review process during a formal consultation period.
- **VOTING** - One delegate needs to be designated as the representative for each topic during all voting and for speeches.
- **CLOSING BUREAU** - Delegates will choose a closing bureau, and their closing presentation will recorded on the Zoom call during their committee session and subsequently streamed at the closing ceremony.



## **SOCIAL EVENTS**

- We are investigating some interesting ideas for social events and will keep you posted!



## **CLOSING CEREMONY**

- The ceremony will be streamed on YouTube, with the closing bureau speaking from each committee, staff and UN ambassador speeches, a “Map Your Heartbreak” montage, and special guest appearances.

## REGISTER YOUR DELEGATION BY APRIL 17<sup>TH</sup>

Please complete the registration form with your confirmed participation numbers by April 17<sup>TH</sup>

<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/MMUNONLINE>



Please contact us with any questions:

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We will follow up with further information about next steps.

Kindly Note that in order to participate, delegates must have their Position Papers approved by the Bureau.