

## What Is It Like To Be Part of Ocean View MUN?

This is one of the most rewarding programs at OVHS. The skills acquired will last well beyond high school and prepare students to succeed in the real world.

We are a team. We spend time together. We prepare together. We compete together. We travel together. This team environment creates some of the best experiences and friendships you will have in high school. You will make friends who can stay with you for the rest of your life. As we like to say, MUN is FUN!!!

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Sincerely,

Alison Daniels  
Ocean View MUN Advisors



# Ocean View Model United Nations



## Welcome To OVHS Model United Nations!!!

Ocean View High School is proud to offer a Model United Nations program. Over 50 students are involved in this dynamic program.

### Model UN Helps Students Get Into College

Model UN provides students with the learning and leadership experiences that admissions officers look for. Model UN is also an extensive network of alumni at top colleges.

### Notable OVHSMUN Alumni:

Santiago Valle - **Johns Hopkins**  
Brian Bui - **Brown**  
Spencer Hagaman - **Yale**  
Mai Vu - **UCLA**  
Kayla Delgado - **UC Berkeley**  
Andrew Oldag - **Cal Tech**  
Sarah Rizvi - **UC Berkeley**

Best School Delegation - Gahr Security Council Conference



## What Is M.U.N.?

Model United Nations (aka M.U.N.) is a simulation education activity focusing on civics, communications, globalization, and multilateral diplomacy. M.U.N. began in the 1920s as collegiate simulations of the League of Nations. Following the end of WWII and the establishment of the United Nations, the group was transformed into the Model United Nations. The M.U.N. program exists in all states and around the world. Over 400,000 students in high school and universities participate annually in M.U.N. classes, clubs, and conferences.

## How Do Students Prepare For Conferences?

Before attending conferences, students research an assigned country, committee, and topic. The student must acquire knowledge of the economics, geography, government, history, politics, and current affairs of the country assigned. Students are required to write position papers, become familiar with their committee and topic, learn parliamentary procedure, and prepare for extemporaneous speeches. They must begin to grasp foreign policy and cultural norms, practice listening skills, decision-making, and strategic thinking.

## What Happens At Conferences?

During conferences, students assume roles as ambassadors, diplomats, and chairpersons and participate in simulated sessions of various UN committees, including UNICEF, WHO, and the Security Council.

As part of the role-playing experience, students will dress in business attire and bring laptops or briefcases. At the end of the conference, awards are handed out to delegates who have best represented their country. Students are chaperoned at every conference by advisors.

## What Contributions Are Involved?

In addition to the basic contribution at the beginning of each year in M.U.N., each conference has a nominal fee that includes lunch and snacks. For conferences outside the HBUHSD, contributions vary depending upon distance and mode of transportation. For overnight conferences, hotel fees are requested.

## What Are The Conference Requirements?

Students must attend a total of **2 conferences per year**. (Up to 5 are offered)

## What Are The Benefits Of MUN For My Student?

1. They really do learn a great deal about geography, both cultural and physical, **and** about current events around the world.
2. At least 2 times a year they dress up.
3. MUN is the most effective and intensive research experience they will have in High School - very valuable for college! And M.U.N. is recognized by most universities.
4. M.U.N. helps prevent Glossophobia. What's that, you ask? It is the fear of public speaking, the most commonly reported phobia amongst Americans. MUN gives students the opportunity to learn to speak clearly, concisely, and persuasively both to peers and others. A very valuable life skill!