

Between Fantasy and Reality



Erie, Skyline, Boulder High Schools Model United Nations Conference

April 13th, 2024

Location: Erie High School , 3180 Co Rd 5, Erie, CO 80516

March 8, 2024

Dear Sponsors and Delegates,

Erie, Skyline, and Boulder High Schools warmly invite you to attend our joint Model United Nations conference at Erie High School on **Saturday, April 13th** from 8:30 AM to 2:30 PM. We are looking forward to hosting our unique conference for the fourth year in a row and are excited to hold our first triple-jointed conference.

We are excited for this opportunity to express our creativity and share our interests with other Colorado MUN students. We selected a wide range of topics, and we hope every delegate can find something that interests them. Our hope is that delegates can put the skills that they have learned and developed over the year into practice in an imaginative and whimsical environment.

While acknowledging that this conference is intended to be more fantastical than others, we, of course, still encourage delegates to practice their diplomatic and interpersonal skills. We believe that the topics we've chosen each provide a unique opportunity for delegates to express themselves and develop their leadership and problem-solving expertise in a new context.

Thank you for participating in our conference. We look forward to seeing the conversations delegates will have and how they will showcase their improved skills.

Sincerely,

Secretaries-General:

Ameenah Razi and Lauren Adams (Erie HS)

Ashley Berkowitz (Skyline HS)

Helen Scarborough (Boulder HS)

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Councils and Background Guides

We will be offering four councils at this conference. Due to the shortened schedule, **only one topic will be addressed in each council**. Sponsors, please assist your students in selecting a council appropriate to their skill levels and interests. The Beginner Council is reserved for students who have completed no more than 2 previous conferences.

Level	Council	Topic	Participants
Beginner <i>(single or double delegations)</i> Team Responsible: Boulder HS	Security Council <i>The Background Guide for this council is available here.</i> <i>Pre-written resolutions are provided for this council and are linked here.</i> <i>Participants in this council should expect at least one crisis.</i>	Territorial Claims in the South China Sea	Voting: <u>China</u> , <u>France</u> , <u>Russian Federation</u> , <u>United Kingdom</u> , <u>United States</u> , Ecuador, Algeria, Japan, Malta, Mozambique, Guyana, Republic of Korea, Sierra Leone, Slovenia, Switzerland, Brunei Darussalam, Malaysia, Philippines, Vietnam <i>An <u>underlined</u> nation represents a permanent (veto) member of the UNSC.</i>
Beginner-Intermediate <i>(single delegations only)</i> Team Responsible: Skyline HS	United Nations Environment Assembly <i>The Background Guide for this council is available here.</i>	Conservation Status of Dragons	<u>Dragon Belt Countries:</u> India, Bhutan, Nepal, People's Republic of China, Japan, Indonesia, Australia, Democratic People's Republic of Korea, Republic of Korea <u>Other Asian Dragon Countries:</u> Afghanistan, Türkiye, Saudi Arabia, Georgia, Armenia <u>American Dragon Countries:</u> United States of America, Mexico, Brazil, Bolivarian Republic of Venezuela, Cuba, Dominican Republic, Canada <u>Western European Dragon Countries:</u> France, United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, Norway, Italy, Spain, Germany <u>Eastern European Dragon Countries:</u> Russian Federation, Ukraine, Romania, Greece, Latvia, Estonia, Poland <u>African Dragon Countries:</u> Sudan, Algeria, Libya, Ethiopia, Mali, Republic of the Congo, Gabon
Intermediate <i>(single or double delegations)</i> Team Responsible: Erie HS	Historical Council: Roman Senate <i>The Background Guide for this council is available here.</i> <i>Participants in this council should expect at least one crisis.</i>	Reestablishing the Roman Senate	Gothics: <u>Teia</u> , <u>Agila</u> , <u>Scipuar</u> , Athanagild, Mataswintha, Aligern Byzantines: <u>Emperor Justinian I</u> , <u>Narses</u> , <u>Belisarius</u> , Eutychius, Bessas, Artabanes Other key players: Pope Vigilius, Al-Hārith ibn Jabalah <i><u>Underlined</u> representatives are critical players. All representatives are voting members and hold equal</i>

			<i>power in the council.</i>
Advanced <i>(single delegations only)</i> Team Responsible: Boulder HS	Historical Council: Cuban Missile Crisis <i>The Background Guide for this council is available here.</i> <i>Participants in this council should expect at least one crisis.</i>	Cuban Missile Crisis	Washington Room: <u>John F. Kennedy</u>, Lyndon B. Johnson, <u>Dean Rusk</u>, <u>McGeorge Bundy</u>, <u>Robert McNamara</u>, <u>Robert Kennedy</u>, John McCone, <u>Anatoly Dobrynin</u>, Dirk Stikker, Charles Paul de Cumont, <u>Charles de Gaulle</u>, David Ormsby-Gore, <u>Harold MacMillan</u>, <u>Konrad Adenauer</u>, John Diefenbaker, Paul-Henri Spaak, <u>Amintore Fanfani</u>, Antonio Segni, Giulio Andreotti, <u>Cemal Gürsel</u>, İlhami Sancar, Constantine Karamanlis Moscow Room: <u>Nikita Khrushchev</u>, <u>Anastas Mikoyan</u>, <u>Rodion Malinovsky</u>, <u>Oleg Penkovsky</u>, <u>Andrei Gromyko</u>, <u>Leonid Brezhnev</u>, Alexei Kosygin, Vladimir Semichastny, <u>Llewellyn Thompson</u>, <u>Andrei Grechko</u>, <u>Walter Ulbricht</u>, <u>Fidel Castro</u>, <u>Che Guevara</u>, Ion Gheorghe Maurer, Józef Cyrankiewicz, Antonín Novotný, Anton Yugov, Mehmet Shehu, János Kádár <i>Delegations that are <u>underlined</u> are most crucial to this council, so please fill these spots first.</i> <i>Brief descriptions of members are available in the background guide in the Participating Delegates section.</i>

Timeline of Conference Dates

Please take note of the following deadlines for participation in this conference:

Invitations issued with background guides; registration opens.	March 8th
Registration due by sponsors on this form here . You may adjust your registration up until this date by using this same link, as long as you use the same email address.	March 22nd
Country Matrix Opens - Email will be sent to Sponsors with link Please Note: <i>Although you may change your selected nations until the conference begins, sponsors are responsible for payment for all delegates registered on this matrix on 4/5</i>	Mon., 3/25th at 7:00 PM
Last Day to Drop Delegates without paying Please Note: <i>Sponsors are responsible to pay for all delegates registered ON THE COUNTRY MATRIX by this point. The ability to adjust your registration will be closed after this date.</i>	April 5th
Position Papers Due Please Note: <i>Position papers should be emailed to the specified email address on the background guide (the Secretary General of the school responsible for the council, which can also be found in the Contact Information section of the invitation) 2 days in advance in order to be eligible for the Best Position Paper Award. The format for the position paper can be found at CO MUN link.</i>	Thurs., April 11 - 11:59 PM
Conference date.	April 13

Conference Schedule

Time	Event	Location
8:00 - 9:00	Check-In	Main Entryway
8:30 - 9:00	Refreshments and proceed to council rooms (no opening ceremony)	Main Entryway
9:00 - 11:30	Session I	C-Wing Classrooms
11:30 - 12:30	Lunch	The Commons
12:30 - 2:00	Session II	C-Wing Classrooms
(12:45 - 1:30)	(Sponsors' Meeting)	Library
2:00 - 2:30	Closing Ceremonies	Large Gym

During sessions, sponsors are invited to work in the library, where there will be access to outlets, tables, workspaces, and refreshments.

Position Papers and Resolutions

Position paper should be **emailed to the secretary general email** designated in the background guide **BY THURSDAY 4/11 at 11:59 PM**. This deadline must be met in order to qualify for a *Best Position Paper Award*. Delegates are also encouraged to bring their own printed copy of the position paper for reference during committee.

A sample position statement and template can be found at ColoradoModelUN.org under the “Documents” tab. Please ensure that all information is accurately filled out and checked before submission at check-in.

The Beginner Security Council will be provided with pre-written resolutions, which can be amended as each council sees fit. These can be found in the relevant background guide. Delegates in all other councils will be expected to draft their own resolutions. Prewritten resolutions for non-Beginner councils will not be accepted.

Computers

Computers are permitted in all councils. Delegates are expected to use proper technological etiquette so as not to be a distraction to themselves or to others.

In the past, delegates have experienced difficulties connecting their devices to SVVSD wifi. As such, we ask that delegates are prepared to use and share a mobile hotspot or bring paper and writing utensils so they can write resolutions by hand if necessary. Paper, pens, and amendment forms will be provided at the conference.

Awards

During this conference, the following accolades will be awarded for each council:

- **Best Delegate:** This is the highest honor bestowed for each council.
- **Outstanding Delegate:** This is the second-highest honor bestowed for each council.
- **Honorable Mention:** This is the third-highest honor bestowed for each council.
- **Best Position Paper:** The writer of the Best Position Paper for each council.

Breakfast

We will be providing light breakfast refreshments for all delegates, sponsors, and presiding officers during the check-in process.

Lunch

A variety of nearby lunch options are available within a short drive from our campus, however, there are not any places within walking distance, so keep this in mind when making a plan for lunch. We will include a list of nearby lunch options in the conference program. The Commons will be available as a space for your team to eat lunch together if you would like.

Free lunches will be provided for judges, sponsors, and POs.

Payment

Sponsors, please plan to pay the \$15 delegate fee for your registered delegates through a credit card to this link on Revttrak (any school can set up an account if you don't have one already), or check if possible, and cash if only necessary. Please plan to pay before or on the day of the conference. If paying in cash, please collect cash from your delegates in advance before check-in. Registration fees should include payment for all delegates registered by the final registration deadline of 4/5.

- If paying by check, please make it payable to **Boulder High School**. Please write “Model UN” on the memo line.

Contact Information

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact our club officers or sponsors via the following email addresses:

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