

Our Lady of Mercy School

Model United Nations Program (MUN)

Selection of Candidates for the MUN Program.

The MUN project at Our Lady of Mercy School is geared towards highly qualified students who show the necessary academic, social and language skills to represent Our Lady of Mercy School in an international setting known as the National High School Model United Nations (NHSMUN), in New York city.

To be a candidate a student must meet the following requirements.

1. A student must maintain a “C” yearly average in all subjects during the previous academic year of application.
2. After meeting requirement 1, the student will then develop a 350-word essay to be written in school during the MUN elective class during the last month of the current school year. The topic will be related to the United Nations. This essay will then be corrected by representatives of the English and Social Studies departments. The essays must be in the English language.
3. A committee composed of members of the English and Social Studies departments and of the high school principal and counselor will then evaluate the candidacy of each student and make the final selection of those students who will be invited to represent Our Lady of Mercy School at the NHSMUN in New York City.

The criteria for the evaluation of the candidates:

1. Effectiveness to work in groups.
2. Demonstrates cooperation and support for others.
3. Relates well to others, with respect and honesty.
4. Shows leadership characteristics for groups and initiating new ideas.
5. Critical thinker.
6. Able to synthesize new ideas and explain them effectively with support.
7. Capable of speaking in front of large audiences being able to respond to questions.
8. Oral English must be easily understood and fluent.

NOTE: Once selected to participate, the student must maintain “C” average in all subjects during the school year. Should a student not continue to meet these requirements during the academic year, a meeting will be held with the student, counselor, coordinator of the program and the principal to develop a plan for recuperation.