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BHS at UCMUN

Overnight, Out-of-State Field Trip Application

University of Connecticut, Storrs CT

November 3-5, 2017

For review and consideration by the Brookline School Committee

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APPLICATION FOR ALL OUT-OF-STATE, OVERNIGHT FIELD TRIPS

Before the trip is announced to students, please submit this form to the Superintendent of Schools:

- (a) three (3) months in advance if the trip is within the United States, or
- (b) six (6) months in advance if the trip is out-of-the country.

For clarity, all forms are to be word-processed, NOT handwritten. To maintain the formatting, delete the lines.

TRIP LOGISTICS:

- 1. Name of Field Trip: BHS at UCMUN
- 2. Educator Requesting Field Trip Approval: Noah Gronlund-Jacob
- 3. School: Brookline High School Grade Level: Mixed
- 4. Have you reviewed the School Committee Policy I 3 a. for School Sponsored Field Trips? Yes
- 5. Have you reviewed the document "Administrative Procedures for School Sponsored Field Trips"? Yes

If you need copies of the documents for #4 and #5, contact the Office of Teaching and Learning at 617-730-2432.

- 6. What is your destination? University of Connecticut
- 7. What is the date and time you are leaving school? Friday Nov 3 at 2:30 pm
- 8. What is the date and time you are returning to school? Sunday at 4 pm
- 9. Do the dates of the trip conflict with any religious holidays or observances? No
- 10. How many days will students miss from school? None
- 11. How are students being transported (school bus, chartered bus, plane, rail, etc)? School van

If students are traveling via bus, please complete the Requirements for Field Trip Transportation via Bus form.

12.	How many students will be participating in the field trip?			
13.	What members of the student body are eligible for the trip? Members of BHS Model UN club in good			
standing, including first time participants				
14.	How are students selected to participate in this field trip? Students apply, if an excessive number of			
students apply, they will be chosen based on experience and interest				
15.	Where will students be staying? Nathan Hale Inn			
855 Bolton Rd				
Storrs, CT 06269				

16. What are the names and cell phone numbers of the primary staff chaperones on the trip?

Noah Gronlund-Jacob: 908 285 3110

Stephanie Hunt: 781 690 4250

17. Other than those listed in #16 above, what are the names and roles (teacher, parent, etc) of other adult chaperones who will be on the trip? **No other chaperones**

EDUCATIONAL RELEVANCE

- 18. What is the purpose of the trip and how does it relate to Brookline's Learning Expectations (K-8) or BHS Course Syllabi? The purpose of this trip is to attend a Model United Nations conference at the University of Connecticut. Students will engage in spirited debate with other students from around the world about matters ranging from the rights of Human Trafficking to Child Soldiers. Each student-delegate will be required to debate according to their assigned country's position, trying to craft the best possible solution to the problem posed by the committee's topic of debate. Going to BERMUN help the district achieve Goal 3 of the Strategic Plan of Brookline Public Schools, through strategies 3.1 and 3.5, which read "Strategy 3.1: Develop opportunities to enhance the global awareness of every student...

 Strategy 3.5: Create opportunities for student-led discussion and debate over matters related to moral and ethical global issues." As a learning experience, this conference is a unique opportunity to practice negotiation and mediation skills in a manner often unattainable in a standard classroom. In addition to researching and learning about contemporary issues, students will learn how to solve world problems at a global level, enhancing their views of political justice and preparing them for a diplomatic future.
- 19. Describe activities planned before the trip to prepare students: Students will be expected to research their assigned country's position on their topic and prepare a position paper to be submitted to conference staff.
- 20. Describe activities planned after the trip for students to wrap-up/reflect: Students will share their experiences with fellow club members the following week and discuss with the club advisor

ACCESSIBILITY AND STUDENT SAFETY

21. To what extent does the field trip group reflect the diversity of the school population? What efforts will be undertaken to ensure that, to the greatest extent possible, the participants in this field trip reflect the diversity of the school population? In an effort to make the Brookline High School Model United Nations Club reflect the diversity of the school population, we engage in heavy recruitment each fall at the start of the school year. We are a club that is open to anyone who wishes to join, and we welcome everyone into our community. Additionally, because the conference is focused on discussing a wide range of issues, the club is able to appeal to a wide range of students with diverse backgrounds and interests.

This trip will be publicized, once approved, during club meetings. While these conferences have Delegates fees, BHS MUN will absolutely provide scholarships to any student who requires assistance. BHS MUN will actively engage in fundraising and, at the moment, there is approximately \$6000 in the club fund, allowing for scholarships.

- 22. What measures are planned to ensure student safety on the trip, including chaperone coverage, student behavior contracts, etc. Chaperone phone numbers will be made available to students in case of emergencies, students will be in the presence of a chaperone or conference staff at all times.
- 23. What is the name and location of the medical facility closest to your destination?
- St. Francis Hospital and Medical Center

114 Woodland St

Hartford, CT 06105

- 24. Will students be swimming? (please note: if swimming is planned, parents must give explicit written permission for their child to swim; students who do not have this express written permission will not be allowed to swim) **No**
- 25. If travelling outside of the United States, please attach the appropriate Department of State Advisory Review and Notification and a copy of Consular statement.

FUNDING

26. What is the total cost of the trip? Please detail the major components of the trip below and provide a total. (add/edit headings as necessary)

Lodging	\$400/room
Travel	\$20
Meals	\$100
Admissions/Tickets	\$85/delegate
TOTAL:	\$275 per student

- 27. How will the field trip be funded? All participating students and their families will be responsible for the funding of this trip. However, full and partial scholarships will be available to families that require them. There is also a position of the Model UN Board of Directors that deals specifically with fundraising. In the past, we have organized successful bake sales and worked with local businesses to raise funds.
- 28. What accommodations are made for students who cannot afford the expenses of this trip? Are partial and/or full scholarships available? Scholarships will be available to those who request them, and must talk to Noah Gronlund-Jacob, the advisor of the club, to that end. Funds will be raised by the club as

well as taken from the club treasury. Additionally, some scholarship money will be available through various BHS Scholarship funds such as the Underwood Fund.

29. If fundraisers are planned to help lower the cost of the trip for all students, please describe those plans here: The club will meet with parents and staff chaperones to discuss fundraisers which may include bake sales, clothes sales, and other methods of raising money for the trip. Fundraising is overseen specifically by the Secretary, a board position that is decided upon during elections. We will sell BHS MUN clothes and work with local businesses to raise funds for students that require scholarships.

If you need any assistance as you complete this application, please contact the Office of Teaching and Learning at 617-730-2432.

Signatures:	QIC 17
Educator Requesting Field Trip Approval:	Date:
Principal:	Date: 9/5/17