

## JOINING RIJNMUN AS A DELEGATE - WHAT DOES IT MEAN?

[\(technical details at the bottom- don't miss them!\)](#)



You get...

- A country (and a *placard* with your country name)
- Assigned to a committee with issues (e.g. wars, climate change, human right violations...etc; you can already find all the [committees and issues](#) of RijnMUN 2024 on our website!)

You will...

- Research about your country
- Find out what your country thinks about the issue and what your country wants to do
- Talk to “other countries” and negotiate a global solution to the issue

For example: if you are representing *the Netherlands* on the topic of *rising sea levels*, you might want to *encourage international cooperation on building dikes because without it you are going to be flooded.*

You will learn how to debate via the The Hague International Model United Nations (THIMUN) rules of procedures, which is a similar (but simplified) negotiation system used in the real United Nations used across most youth MUN conferences around the world.

You gain important *life skills*, such as...

- public speaking
- confidence
- become more globally aware
- more friends!

You can already find a whole [RijnMUN delegate handbook on our website](#), with all the details for rules of procedures, requirements, research guidance, and more!

## RIJNMUN - all the technical details [YOU MUST KNOW](#)

### When, when, who and how?

- **Friday 11th to Sunday 13th of October 2024**- you will have your absences approved for Friday, 3rd period and onwards, for RijnMUN, under the conditions that you are not failing your classes so your department head and teachers will approve your leave from class
- **At Rijnlands Lyceum Oegstgeest**
- Over 150+ students from RLO and neighbouring schools, including Gymnasium Haganum, International School Haarlem, International School Utrecht, Adelbert College Wassenaar, Stedelijke Gymnasium Leiden...and more!
- There are very experienced MUN students that will regulate, guide and support the debates in each committee, who are known as *Student Officers (StOff)* or *Chairs*. You can already find the [RijnMUN StOff team](#) on our website.

**Programme of Events** (they can change any time, so please visit [our website](#) again before the conference for the latest version!)

<i>Friday 11th October</i>	
11:30-12:45	Arrivals for delegates & visitors
13:00-15:00	Workshops
15:00-16:00	Introductory Activities in Committee

<i>Saturday 12th October</i>	
8:30-9:15	Opening Ceremony
10:30-17:00	All Committees in Session (with staggered lunch, lunch provided)
20:00-00:00	RijnMUN Party at RLO (optional attendance)

<i>Sunday 13th October</i>	
9:00-15:30	All Committees in Session (with staggered lunch, lunch provided)
15:30-16:00	Break
16:00-16:45	Closing Ceremony

## Dresscode (super important!!!)

As MUN is a simulation of the United Nations, you must also dress the part of a delegate representing a real country. This consists of **formal, conference attire**. Male delegates are expected to wear dress shirts, suits, ties, and formal footwear (not trainers!), etc. Meanwhile, female delegates are expected to dress in appropriate trousers, skirts, and tops. You may find some inspiration both [here](#), and online.

**Costs: €30\*** euros per delegate, including lunch for weekends, party on Saturday, and a badge for the whole conference.

*\*BUT YOU CAN GO TO RIJNMUN FOR FREE IF YOU ATTEND OUR*

## MODEL UNITED NATION PRACTICE SESSIONS!

From the week of 2nd September and onwards until RijnMUN (total of 6 weeks), there will be **two sessions offered every week**, where you **MUST ATTEND ONE OF THEM** per week in order to be eligible to attend RijnMUN for free (absences must be informed in advance with a valid reason). These sessions are very likely going to land on *Wednesday 6th period and Thursday 6th period*, led by Ms. Auton, Mr. Ellison, and our own Board of Director members. **We will confirm the time and classroom of these sessions with you in the first week of school (26th August) via your school email** once the new schedule has been provided. **OFFICIAL SIGNUP WILL BE AT THE PRACTICE SESSIONS**, where you will confirm your participation at RijnMUN.

You will learn about how MUN debate functions, how to write clauses and resolutions, and how to make effective, argumentative speeches, so you will be ready for RijnMUN!

## QUESTIONS?

Can't wait for more? Read our [delegate handbook](#)!

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*We hope to see you at RijnMUN 2024!*

**RijnMUN 2024 Board of Directors**