

## Upcoming Event for Model UN Team

On Thursday, January 26th, Pine Crest's Model United Nations team will be flying to Philadelphia for the annual ILMUNC conference, hosted by the University of Pennsylvania. Our Pine Crest representatives, alongside thousands of other delegates, will be discussing either current, historic, or fictional UN issues, depending on the committee they are assigned. In these committees, ranging from Special Political Decolonization to the fictional "Jurassic Park" crisis committee, delegates will work together to draft a resolution paper to solve the issues at hand.

Model UN is the perfect opportunity for PC students to sharpen their collaborative and critical thinking skills. "Delegating was a learning experience for me," said Ayaan Chuadry '25, who attended multiple conferences during the 2021-2022 school year. "It was interesting to collaborate with students from other schools and hear their perspectives."

Alongside cooperating with others, Model UN provides the chance for students to learn how to research and argue for unfamiliar topics, learn more about the world, and meet interesting people from around the world.

When the students aren't in conferences, they will still be kept busy. There will be a variety of activities during the conference: touring UPenn, bowling, a delegate social, exploring Philadelphia, and more.

The students will definitely be occupied, but it will be a great experience all around. Junior captain Riana Mahtani '24 added, saying, "The conferences are super fun outside of the actual committee because you get to explore the city with your friends." Students will have the opportunity to explore the areas of Philadelphia close to the conference, having access to sites such as the renowned Reading Terminal Market.

This conference will be a learning experience for our PC representatives, but it will surely be a great time, too. Check the Paw Print after our delegates come back from ILMUNC to get a post trip recap!