



**The Richard Voelkel Memorial Scholarship and
MUN Alumni Scholarship Application**

Deadline for Submission: January 8, 2021

The Richard Voelkel Memorial Scholarship was established in memory of SMCHS Social Studies Department Chair and founder of the school's Model United Nations program. The scholarship is awarded annually to a graduating senior who has spent four years in the Model United Nations program. A generous family makes a yearly donation to fund this scholarship.

Model United Nations (MUN) is an academic simulation of the real United Nations. Students from different high schools act as delegates from the UN. This educational experience introduces students to international politics and diplomacy. Students that participate in MUN develop research skills, public speaking expertise, interpersonal flair, and the ability to compromise. The MUN program raises money annually to fund scholarships for graduating seniors for college tuition.

CRITERIA FOR SELECTION

These scholarships are awarded to recognize award winning SMCHS MUN students. For both scholarships, the MUN program has established the following minimum scholarship criteria:

- Demonstrate financial need and/or demonstrate merit based on Model UN participation.
 - Graduating senior.
 - Students should be in excellent disciplinary standing with SMCHS.
 - Good academic standing at SMCHS, with a minimum GPA of 3.0.
 - Four-year member of the Model United Nations program.
 - Enrolled or planning to enroll in a two or four-year college or vocational training program within one year of graduation.
 - Submit a 300-500 word essay that describes why the student should be selected for the scholarship focusing on what the Model United Nations program has meant to them. This essay should also explain involvement with MUN Impact efforts and with the SOCOMUN conference.
 - The scholarship recipient will write an acknowledgement letter to the MUN Advisor with a copy to SMCHS Development Department.
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Date: _____

Student's Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Phone Number: _____ E-mail: _____

GPA: _____ weighted Graduating Senior (Class of 2021)

| Senior Year | Date of Conference | Name of Conference | Type of Award Received |
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Describe what the Model United Nations program has meant to you. What have you done as a Senior that has benefitted the program? Please include your involvement with MUN Impact efforts and with the SOCOMUN conference. (Attach typed answer to this application.)

For more information, contact the Advancement Office at 949-766-6080 or advancement@smhs.org.

Completed applications are due to the Advancement Office by 1/8/2021.