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Dear Colleagues,

Two years ago, North Hagerstown High School launched a new Model United Nations team. After a successful first year growing and learning, several of our seniors hosted a training conference to give new members a more in-depth opportunity to experience MUN. The TriMUN conference is a unique training model that was very successful and our team looks forward to hosting a second training conference on Human Trafficking this year. The day will have three parts:

- 1. Introductory seminars where students practice skills like parliamentary procedure and learn more about position papers and opening speeches
- 2. Hands-on research component where students learn more about their assigned country's position with the help of an experienced mentor
- 3. General assembly simulation where they get to put the skills they learned in the morning into practice as they represent their country.

To help parents get a better idea of Model United Nations, both the opening ceremony from 8-8:30 and our closing ceremony from 3:30-4:00 will be open to the public. Parents are strongly encouraged to come learn more about this year's topic of Human Trafficking and support their students.

As a team, we know the difficulty of starting a team from scratch and they would like to share their valuable experience with teachers and students from other schools so our TriMUN conference will be open to individual students and delegations from around the Tri-state area. The cost of lunch is \$10 per person and can be paid in cash or check (NHHS) at the door. Delegates are welcome to bring a packed lunch. Regardless, to help with planning, we do need a count of attendees and meal plans by October 21<sup>st</sup>.

Sincerely,

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