

United States Senate

MetMUNC XLVIII

Welcome Letter

Chairs: John DiPierri & Jarret Kim



Dear Honorable Delegates,

It is our pleasure to welcome you to Plainview-Old Bethpage John F. Kennedy High School's 48th annual Model UN Conference (MetMUNC XLVIII). We are both very excited to be your chairs for the United States Senate!

The United States Senate is the upper house of America's bicameral legislature. Its main jobs include approving or denying bills from the House of Representatives, managing interviews, confirming political appointees, and conducting debates on the great issues of the day. For our conference, delegates will pass resolutions or "bills" that will affect national policy on some of the most controversial topics of our political era, and all bills will be passed under the assumption of approval from the House as well as President Trump. While not entirely accurate, this aims to allow delegates to see the effects of their plans on the American populace.

My name is John DiPierri, and I am a junior. This is my third year in MUN, and I am delighted to be chairing for the second time! Outside of MUN, I am heavily focused on academics, a proud member of JFK's varsity trivia team and student government, and play the alto saxophone. Some of my hobbies include coin collecting, playing video games, and golfing. I am excited about the progress I know this committee will make!

My name is Jarret Kim, and I am a sophomore. This is my second year in MUN and my first time chairing! Aside from MUN, I am an active member of my school's track and cross country team and a member of the backstage crew club where we handle logistics for school events. My hobbies include baking, drawing, and computer programming. I am thrilled to watch you guys debate!

In our committee, we will be debating three very prevalent topics: **Immigration**, **Healthcare**, and the **Federal Debt**. In the weeks preceding the conference, please research your senator's positions and voting records on these subject areas, as you will be representing them as people. We encourage delegates to participate in deliberating these topics, along with any crises that may arise and come up with permanent solutions that improve the lives of all Americans.

In order to simulate senatorial procedure while staying focused on MUN parliamentary procedure, we have made slight changes to the flow of the committee, which we will explain before the start of debate. Also, feel free to contact us with any general questions or concerns, at jcdipierri@gmail.com and jarretk747@gmail.com. See you on December 14!

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