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Quick Facts

- The overall award – the Winthrop Cup – went to the China team, made up of students from Nation Ford High School of Fort Mill, South Carolina.
- Lexington High School's Japan team captured the Secretariat Award for contributing the most to the success of the conference.
- The Geoffrey Bruce Award for the delegation acting most in character of its country went to the team representing Turkey from Pinewood Preparatory School of Summerville, South Carolina.



Nation's Ford High School team, center four, posed with Winthrop UN student leaders.

ROCK HILL, SOUTH CAROLINA – A York County high school was awarded top honors March 27 at the **39th annual Model United Nations conference** at Winthrop University.

Held March 25-27, the program involved hundreds of students representing nearly 20 high schools from North and South Carolina. An awards ceremony capped two days of deliberations over world events.

The overall award – the **Winthrop Cup** – went to the China team, made up of students from **Nation Ford High School** of Fort Mill, South Carolina. **Lexington**

High School's Japan team captured the **Secretariat Award** for contributing the most to the success of the conference.

The **Geoffrey Bruce Award** for the delegation acting most in character of its country went to the team representing Turkey from **Pinewood Preparatory School** of Summerville, South Carolina.

The **Rookie Award** for making their first appearance at the conference was given to the **David W. Butler High School** of Matthews, North Carolina. [Look for Facebook photos here.](#)

Committee awards also were given to:

- **Legal Committee** – China, Nation Ford High; Israel, Bishop England; and United Kingdom, Fort Mill High.
- **Social and Humanitarian Committee** – United Kingdom, Fort Mill High; Angola, Fort Mill High; and Turkey, Pinewood Prep.
- **Political and Security Committee** – China, Nation Ford High; Iran, S.C. Governor's School for Science and Math; and Ukraine, Nation Ford High.
- **African Union** – Ethiopia, Pinewood Prep; Mozambique, Indian Land High; and Nigeria, South Pointe High.
- **Security Council** – Turkey, Pinewood Prep; China, Nation Ford High; and Angola, Fort Mill High.
- **General Assembly** – China, Nation Ford High; Iran, S.C. Governor's School for Science and Math; and Turkey, Pinewood Prep.

Winthrop students recognized as outstanding advisors to their high school delegations were: Kara Dunkelberg (Venezuela), Emily Boggs (Japan), Lindsay Gaynor (Canada), Benjamin Hernandez (Ghana), Zach Rardon (Germany) and Michael Ennis (Egypt).

This year's Secretariat is under the student leadership of **Khoi Tran**, secretary general; **Zachary Grieger**, director general; and **Tilysha McKenney**, coordinator general. The three organized the conference, contacted the high schools and worked on logistics for the three-day event, as well as coordinated Winthrop students' participation in the conference. Their advisor is **Professor Chris Van Aller** of the Department of Political Science; and the program assistant was **Kayla Davis**.

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