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It's Friday! Woo-hoo!!! Lots to tell you, so let's get started!

**Southwest Florida Model UN begins Monday, March 6 at FGCU. That's a week from Monday!**

Plan to arrive no earlier than 8:00 AM and no later than 8:45 AM  
Buses/vans should drop off in the big Lot #5 loop just past Parking Garage 3, near the clock tower.  
Cars should park in Parking Garage # 1. **!! This is different than previous years !!**  
See map at bottom of email.

As soon as possible you need to...

- Ensure that every participant (or parent, if under 18) has signed [the waiver](#).
- **Ensure that every delegate has created a Gmail account \*just for this competition.\***
  - **Instructions are [on the website](#). Follow them EXACTLY!**
  - All students should bring a device which is Wi-Fi enabled and from which they can access their new Google account.
  - Devices with keyboards are easier to use than phones.
  - It's a very good idea to bring a charging cable!
- Make sure you've arranged for transportation for both days.
- If you're not paid in full, please bring a check with you and give it to me the first morning.
  - Not paid: Cape Coral, Palmetto Ridge, Port Charlotte, St. John Neumann
- Absorb all the information below – because it's all really important!

Check-in will take place in Cohen Student Union (as usual), but UPSTAIRS in room 247.

Check-in for coaches will be across the hall in room 249

The new room for the MUN "office" is 246, across from the old room.

Please ensure that your students eat a good breakfast prior to arrival on campus or have money for Einstein's Bagels. Einstein Bros. Bagels will be open both mornings in the lobby of Cohen Student Union.

A continental breakfast will be available for coaches/chaperones in the new COACHES' LOUNGE. (see below)

**ATTIRE: Western business attire is expected for all delegates.**

If you have students for which this requirement poses financial hardship, please let me know. (A generous benefactor has offered assistance.)

A digital version of the program is now available on the [SWFLMUN website](#). (Click PROGRAM link at top right.)

We're using two buildings this year that we've not been in before – and you're going to love them! There will be plenty of signage to help get you where you need to go, and the buildings are right next to Cohen (where we always start and end the conference).

Delegate box lunches will be available starting just before noon both days in the lobby of Academic Building 9 (a/k/a AB9 or the Water Building – because it houses the new Water School). Delegates may then proceed to AB9 rooms 106 or 138 to eat. They can also use any of the outdoor seating located around campus. However, on Monday, there will be a special program during which we hope to do a live connection with students in Ukraine. (The situation in Ukraine is fluid, but we're hopeful!) That will be done in room 106 which seats 125, so the first ones in will be in the "live" room. The call will be streamed to room 138 as well as 222 (lounge) so people in those rooms can see/hear, but not interact. We **\*may\*** have a totally different program on Tuesday during lunch as well, and if so, it will have a similar setup. I'll let you know!

Speaking of that lounge... AB9 room 222 is our new Coaches' Lounge. After you've gotten your students settled following Monday's opening ceremonies, please come by and check it out! We'll have a continental breakfast and coffee for you and tables at which to work or talk to others. In the afternoon, they'll be snacks – and on Tuesday afternoon you'll meet here with conference chair Alan Van Egmond. We ask only that you NOT come here during lunch as the judges and chairs will be using the space to dine. Coaches/advisors and chaperones should pick up their lunches in the AB9 lobby (same as the delegates) and then dine with their students in AB9 106 or 138.

Please encourage your students to keep an eye open for our new **Insta Spots**, Instagram-worthy backdrops we're setting up around our spaces to encourage social media posts. **#SWFLMUN2023**

We'll also have a QR code (in the program as well as in committee rooms and our other spaces) which can be used to ask questions and/or give feedback. We'll be monitoring the submissions and will get back to you ASAP if your submission requires a reply. (Note that feedback can be done anonymously if you prefer.)

Okay, I think that's it. (It's a lot, right?! Sorry!)

If you have any questions, please let me know.

See you soon!

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