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## Press Release

## Riverview Model UN Earns First Place Recognition at Johns Hopkins University!

For the first time in School District history, the Riverview Model United Nations Team, lead by Mr. Ken Kubistek, took First Place at a major college 4-day conference. At the 18th Annual Johns Hopkins University Model United Nations Conference (Feb 5-8, 2015), Riverview High School competed against 72 high schools (1900 total students) from across the country and was named **Best Small Delegation.** A nine person team, consisting of Seniors Will Gonsowski, Bree Patsey, Christian Snyder and Andrew Zentgraf, Juniors Sam Glaser, Mackenzie Osborn and Alexa Patsey, and Sophomores Tyler Aber and Emma Patterson also won 7 individual awards. Riverview students successfully stopped the spread of the Ebola virus, saved the world from an ISIS Cyber threat, recreated the Soviet Union, and aided the release of Korean refugees, among other issues, in the simulated competition.

The following students are congratulated for these achievements that align closely with the District's focus on high academic performance:

Tyler Aber: First Place Best Delegate as Nikolai Patrushev in the Summit on Cybercrime and Cyberwarfare

Andrew Zentgraf: First Place Best Delegate as Dmitry Medvedev in the UN Security Council Advisory Panel

Emma Patterson: First Place Best Delegate as the Republic of Korea in the Commission on the North Korean Conflict

Will Gonsowski: Second Place Outstanding Delegate as the Russian Federation in the UN Security Council

Mackenzie Osborn: Second Place Outstanding Delegate as Mehmet Simsek in the Erdogan Turkish Cabinet

Christian Snyder: Third Place Honorable Delegate as Vladimir Putin in the G20 Summit

Sam Glaser: Third Place Honorable Delegate as Shankar Dayal Sharma in the India-Kashmir Conflict Quad Comm.

In addition to the Johns Hopkins accolades, a record of 28 total awards have been earned. The team also earned a first place award at the University of Pittsburgh and was recognized as an outstanding delegate at Princeton University.