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ROCK HILL, S.C. - Three York County high schools were awarded top honors March 26 at the 34nd annual Model United Nations at Winthrop University.

Held March 24-26 in Tillman Hall, the program involved hundreds of students representing more than 20 high schools from North and South Carolina. An awards ceremony Friday afternoon capped two days of deliberations over world events centered around this year's theme of "Reaching for the Future: The Millennium Development Goals."

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The Best Resolution Award was given to Pinewood Preparatory High School in Summerville, S.C. for its work on "Protection of Holy and Religious Sites."

Top committee performers in the Legal Committee were: North Korea, Grayson Penetti, Rock Hill High; France, Maggie Helmig, Myrtle Beach High School; and Russia, Jack Watkins, Northwestern.

In the Political and Security Committee, recognition was given to: Japan, Tyler Mitchell, Indian Land High School; France, Amanda Millen, Myrtle Beach High School; and Russia, Ryan Simpson, Northwestern.

For the Social and Humanitarian Committee, the outstanding representatives were: Myanmar, Chelsea Tidwell, Lower Richland; China, Monica Busch, Fort Mill High School; and North Korea, Jebria Wilson, Rock Hill High.

For the Millennium Development Goals Council, major contributors were: Russia, Bryan Fitzpatrick, Northwestern High; USA, Sandia Lehman, Rock Hill High; and Somalia, Laura Kate Gambell, Pinewood Preparatory.

The Security Council members recognized for their work were: Netherlands, Andy Simpson, Stratford High; China, Lindsey Daubenspeck, Fort Mill High School; and Somalia, Cheyenne Turner, Pinewood Preparatory.

For the General Assembly, honored were: China, Gabriela Lanza, Fort Mill High; Somalia, Daniel Zudia, Pinewood Preparatory; and North Korea, Grayson Pennetti, Rock Hill High School.





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Winthrop students who advised the high school students were honored for their guidance: China – Sydney Evans; Germany – Luka Stanic; France – Eric Bostic; Venezuela – Ansel Bivens; Israel – Morey Reinblatt; and Japan – Daniel Yates.

Photos of the event will be posted on Winthrop University's Facebook account. Delegation photos for 2010 will be found within a week at http://www.winthrop.edu/modelun.

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