



ENGAGE Middle School Competition

Competition Informational Guide

Junior Youth Assembly

At the Georgia Youth Assembly Program there are multiple awards that students can be awarded. These awards are competitively based and determined by GCCE Conference Staff and a select Awards Committee chosen to evaluate the performance of the delegates in attendance. More detailed information will be shown on following pages:

OUTSTANDING OVERALL DELEGATION:

This award goes to the school that checked all the appropriate boxes during the Youth Assembly experience. From registrations, to Bill submissions, appropriate delegate dress, delegate behavior, preparedness of delegates, to delegate participant engagement, this school will put forward the ideal overall conference experience that other schools might seek to seek after.

LEGISLATIVE PROGRAM AWARDS:

- Best Conference Bill
- Outstanding Senate Bill
- Outstanding House Bill
- Outstanding Debater - Senate (x2)
- Outstanding Debater - House (x2)



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OUTSTANDING DEBATER SELECTION CRITERIA

At the Closing Joint Session of Youth Assembly, the four (4) Outstanding Debater Award Winners are named. The Outstanding Debater Awards go to the Outstanding Statesmen in both the Senate and House Chambers. All delegates in the Senate & House are eligible. A committee of Conference Leadership as determined observe/judge delegates throughout Youth Assembly & select the winners.

Each recipient is judged on the following points:

- 1) Knowledge of the delegates Bill &/or other Bills selected for debate in the Bill Book.
- 2) Knowledge of the rules & parliamentary procedure.
- 3) Ability of the delegate to express opinions with clarity & without offensiveness to other members of Youth Assembly.
- 4) Ability to make a presentation with poise, conciseness, humility & yet demonstrate assurance of position.
- 5) Judgment to know when to speak & when to remain silent.
- 6) Personal appearance & demeanor.

OUTSTANDING BILLS AND BEST BILL...SELECTION CRITERIA

At the Closing Joint Session of Youth Assembly, at least three (3) Outstanding Bill Awards will be recognized. These awards are presented by the Georgia Center for Civic Engagement Staff & Board of Directors. The Youth Assembly Bill Selection Committee determines the Outstanding Bills & Best Bill based on the following points:

- 1) The Bill deals with only one subject.
- 2) The Bill expresses the subject accurately in the Purpose.
- 3) The Bill deals with a matter that is within the jurisdiction of the state rather than within federal, county, or city ordinances.
- 4) The Bill expresses the author's intent in concise, everyday language.
- 5) The Bill represents clear & analytical thinking by the Author(s).
- 6) The Bill includes a definition of terms, if needed, in an early part of the bill.
- 7) The Bill follows the proper order of arrangement.



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Junior GUNA

At the Junior Georgia United Nations Assembly Program there are multiple awards that students can be awarded. These awards are competitively based and determined by GCCE Conference Staff and a select Awards Committee chosen to evaluate the performance of the delegates in attendance. More detailed information will be shown on following pages:

OUTSTANDING OVERALL DELEGATION:

This award goes to the school that checked all the appropriate boxes during the Junior GUNA experience. From registrations, to Resolution submissions, appropriate delegate dress, delegate behavior, preparedness of delegates, to delegate participant engagement, this school will put forward the ideal overall conference experience that other schools might seek to seek after.

PROGRAM AWARDS:

Outstanding Debater Award (Outstanding Debater x2)
Best Conference Resolution
Outstanding Global Village Display
Outstanding Native Dress
Outstanding Nation



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OUTSTANDING DEBATER AWARD SELECTION CRITERIA

At the Closing Session of GUNA, the two(2) Outstanding Debater Award Winners are named. The Outstanding Debater Awards go to the Outstanding Delegates in the General Assembly. All delegates are eligible. A committee of Conference Leadership as determined observe/judge delegates throughout Junior GUNA & select the winners.

Each recipient is judged on the following points:

- 1) Knowledge of the delegates Resolution &/or other Resolutions selected for debate in the Book.
- 2) Knowledge of the rules & parliamentary procedure.
- 3) Ability of the delegate to express opinions with clarity & without offensiveness to other members of the General Assembly.
- 4) Ability to make a presentation with poise, conciseness, humility & yet demonstrate assurance of position.
- 5) Judgment to know when to speak & when to remain silent.
- 6) Personal appearance & demeanor.

BEST RESOLUTION SELECTION CRITERIA

At the Closing Session of GUNA, a Best Resolution Award will be recognized. This award is presented by the Georgia Center for Civic Engagement Staff & Board of Directors. The GUNA Resolution Selection Committee determines the Best Resolution based on the following points:

- 1) Information is very organized with well-constructed preambulatory and operative clauses that clearly outline the problem.
- 2) Information clearly relates to the subject. It includes several supporting details and/or examples.
- 3) No grammatical, spelling or punctuation errors are found in the Resolution.
- 5) The Resolution represents clear & analytical thinking by the Author(s).
- 7) The Resolution follows the proper order of arrangement.



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BEST GLOBAL VILLAGE DISPLAY AWARD CRITERIA

The Best Global Village Display Award will go to the Nation with the most accurate, creative, and informative display. A committee of Conference Leadership as determined observe/judge delegates throughout Junior GUNA & select the winners.

BEST NATIVE DRESS AWARD SELECTION CRITERIA

The Best Native Dress Award will be given to the nation whose display of native dress is accurate, respectful of the nation represented and appropriate for the competition. A committee of Conference Leadership as determined observe/judge delegates throughout Junior GUNA & select the winners.

OUTSTANDING NATION SELECTION CRITERIA

At the Closing Session of GUNA, an Outstanding Nation Award will be recognized. The GUNA Resolution Selection Committee determines the Outstanding Nation Award based on the following points:

- 1) The Nation's delegates are all informed and involved in the program.
- 2) The Nation's delegates are respectful of others throughout the duration of the program.
- 3) The Nation's delegates work well as a team during debate and in committees.