

## Pacific Ridge Upper School Students Recognized at 2010 Stanford Model United Nations Conference

*Students Advance Understanding of Politics and International Affairs; Take Home Four Delegate Awards*

**Dec. 7, 2010 - [PRLog](#)** -- CARLSBAD, Calif. – Hundreds of students from all over the world assembled from November 12-14, for the 2010 Model United Nations (MUN) Conference at Stanford University. Staffed by Stanford students, the Conference hosted a variety of high school student committees that spent the weekend conversing on conflicts, events and principal actors of the international arena. 18 students, accompanied by two faculty advisors, traveled to Stanford this year to represent Pacific Ridge School in Carlsbad.

“We are so proud of all of our students who attended this year’s Stanford MUN Conference,” said Liz Grossman, faculty advisor from Pacific Ridge School. “What makes the Stanford MUN Conference so unique is its commitment to creative committees, such as the White House Panel of DC Education, Time Warner Board of Directors, and various historical committees. This deepens our students’ understanding and awareness of the world around them, and allows them to develop effective communication skills.”

To prepare for the conference, students researched and developed a position paper on each of the topics assigned to their committees. The conference’s closing ceremonies included the presentation of awards to the highest-scoring individuals and delegations. Four Pacific Ridge School students earned individual delegate awards for their respective committees, including:

### Outstanding Delegate

- Tristan Saggese of Carlsbad – World Health Organization: Kuwait

### Honorable Mention

- Eric Cherwin of Carlsbad – United Nations Environment Programme: United States
- Cara Hoffman of San Diego – 2015: President Barack Obama
- Trevor Nesbitt of Carlsbad – 2015: President Barack Obama

The Stanford MUN Conference is committed to creating a stimulating and enjoyable Model UN experience that helps delegates understand the complex workings of politics and international affairs. This is achieved by simulating United Nations committees and challenging crises, both of which encourage delegates to think critically and creatively, and to collaborate and compromise with each other. For more information on the Stanford MUN Conference, visit [www.smunc.org](http://www.smunc.org). For more information about Pacific Ridge School and its mission of academic excellence, ethical responsibility and global engagement, visit  
<http://www.PacificRidge.org>

### About Pacific Ridge School:

Opened in the fall of 2007, Pacific Ridge School is a non-profit, independent middle and high school located in the North County, San Diego. With the distinctive mission of building a community that fosters academic excellence, ethical responsibility and global engagement, Pacific Ridge offers a first-rate educational experience to prepare students for college and a purposeful life. For more information, visit [www.pacificridge.org](http://www.pacificridge.org). Pacific Ridge School does not discriminate on the basis of religion, gender, sexual orientation, race, creed, or national origin in the administration of its educational policies, admissions policies, and other administered programs.

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