

## KEYNOTE SPEAKERS



**MAYOR JIM KENNEY (WEDNESDAY, MAY 16)** was sworn in as the 99th Mayor of Philadelphia. In his first budget, the Mayor worked closely with City Council to fund bold anti-poverty initiatives. The initiatives included the expansion of quality pre-k, the creation of community schools, and investing in parks, rec centers, and libraries. These initiatives were possible because Philadelphia became the first major city to pass a tax on sweetened beverages. The Mayor's Office works to strengthen every neighborhood by focusing on improving educational opportunities and outcomes for all of Philadelphia's children, economic opportunities for all Philadelphians, public safety, operating the government efficiently, and developing a diverse workforce that looks like Philadelphia. Before he became mayor, Kenney was a member of the Philadelphia City Council for 23 years, serving as a Councilman at Large from January, 1992, until January 29, 2015, when he resigned to run for mayor.



**KAREN THOMAS (THURSDAY, MAY 17)** is the Principal of Bodine High School for International Affairs and is finishing her 15th year in the School District of Philadelphia. Before coming to Bodine in 2014, she spent four years as the principal of Cook-Wissahickon Elementary School, and served as a high school science teacher in Philadelphia, Southern California, and Southern Arizona. Ms. Thomas recently obtained her Superintendent's Letter from Saint Joseph's University, and holds an Education Administrator's Certificate from Gwynedd-Mercy University, an ESL certificate from the University of Phoenix, and a Masters of Science in Earth Sciences from Northern Arizona University.

## 2018 GLOBAL LEADERSHIP SEMINAR FOR HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS

*Islam, Politics, & the Changing Middle East*  
July 9—13, 2018



The **2018 Summer Global Leadership Seminar**, a week-long summer institute open to all rising high school sophomores, juniors and seniors, will explore the rise of political Islam and how the diverse array of political agendas, goals, and activities of Islamist groups are reshaping the Middle East—and how these changes are reverberating around the world. Through guest lectures and interactive workshops, students will examine Islam, politics, and change in the Middle East. Additionally, students will take part in a half-day simulation during which they will role-play the decision-making processes of foreign policy leaders. The Seminar's fifth-day field trip to Washington, D.C., offers students the exciting opportunity to meet with and hear from foreign diplomats, as well as U.S. foreign policy officials.

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*Ending Food Insecurity &  
Protecting Women and Girls' Access to Education*



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THURSDAY, MAY 17, 2018**

**Temple University**

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## PARTICIPATING SCHOOLS

**Thursday, May 17, 2018**

AIM Academy - Conshohocken, Pennsylvania  
A.M.Y at James Martin Middle School - Philadelphia, Pennsylvania  
Blessed Trinity Catholic School - Philadelphia, Pennsylvania  
Bunker Hill Middle School - Sewell, New Jersey  
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Our Lady of Mercy Regional Catholic School - Maple Glen, Pennsylvania  
Penn Alexander School - Philadelphia, Pennsylvania  
Saint Dominic Catholic School - Philadelphia, Pennsylvania  
St. Aloysius Academy - Bryn Mawr, Pennsylvania  
St. Francis de Sales School - Philadelphia, Pennsylvania  
The Nard Academy - Warminster, Pennsylvania  
Tredyffrin/Easttown Middle School - Berwyn, Pennsylvania  
Woodland Academy - Philadelphia, Pennsylvania



## PARTICIPATING SCHOOLS

**Wednesday, May 16, 2018**

A.M.Y. Northwest School - Philadelphia, Pennsylvania

Biello Homeschool - Millstone, New Jersey

Cook-Wissahickon Elementary School - Philadelphia, Pennsylvania

The Haverford School - Haverford, Pennsylvania

Howard M. Phifer Middle School - Pennsauken, New Jersey

J.R. Fugett Middle School - West Chester, Pennsylvania

Jenkintown Middle School - Jenkintown, Pennsylvania

Julia R. Masterman Middle School - Philadelphia, Pennsylvania

Media Providence Friends School - Media, Pennsylvania

New Medina Co-op - Willingboro, New Jersey

Pierce Middle School - West Chester, Pennsylvania

Rosa International Middle School - Cherry Hill, New Jersey

Springfield Township Middle School - Oreland, Pennsylvania

Shawmont School - Philadelphia, Pennsylvania

South Jersey Muslim Homeschool - Philadelphia, Pennsylvania

Springton Lake Middle School - Media, Pennsylvania

St. Rose of Lima School - Philadelphia, Pennsylvania

Stetson Middle School - West Chester, Pennsylvania

Valley Forge Middle School - Wayne, Pennsylvania

Waldron Mercy Academy - Merion, Pennsylvania

Westampton Middle School - Mount Holly, New Jersey

## COMMITTEE TOPICS



### Ending Food Insecurity

Regarded by many, and contested by some, as one of the most significant threats facing the world today, climate change is among the most complex international challenges of our time. A growing body of evidence indicates that the Earth's climate is changing in ways that could dramatically impact the world's human population in the coming decades. Scientists agree that international action to reduce global greenhouse gas emissions may be the only way to slow or reverse these changes. Rising sea levels will threaten coastlines and many of the world's most populated cities; ocean acidification will negatively impact marine environments; and prolonged drought will reduce the productivity of key agricultural regions. An international agreement was established in 2015, and in this committee, delegates will come together to further develop a unified international standard to establish a global emissions goal and identify effective plans to help nations acquire the technology required to create sustainable sources of energy.



### Protecting Women and Girls' Access to Education

From the pillaging of ancient tombs in Peru and China, to the deliberate destruction and theft of antiquities and archeological sites in Iraq and Syria, cultural heritage is under threat around the world. In April 2016, United Nations Secretary-General, Ban Ki-moon commented, "an attack on cultural heritage in one part of the world is an attack on all humanity." It is critical that the international community act quickly and cooperatively to address the issues surrounding the protection and preservation of cultural heritage, including encouraging the exchange of knowledge and resources both locally and globally, combating the illicit trafficking of antiquities, and advancing sustainable conservation policies and strategies. In this committee, delegates will come together to discuss these issues and debate the responsibilities that individual countries have with respect to this growing global concern.

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9 – 9:45 a.m.	Registration
9:45 – 10:15 a.m.	Opening Plenary Session
9:45 - 9:50 a.m.	Welcome Remarks
9:50 - 10 a.m.	Keynote Address
10 - 10:10 a.m.	United Nations Secretary-General Address and Roll Call
10:10 - 10:15 a.m.	Announcements and Dismissal
10:15 a.m. – 1:15 p.m.	Committee Breakout Sessions
	<b>Ending Food Insecurity – Committee 1:</b>
	Room 032 (Basement Floor), Alter Hall
	<i>Co-chairs: Grant King, &amp; Neeha Pathan</i>
	<b>Ending Food Insecurity – Committee 2:</b>
	MBA Commons, Room 701 (7th Floor), Alter Hall
	<i>Co-chairs: Fahad Akhtar &amp; Anu Chugh</i>
	<b>Protecting Women and Girls' Access to Education - Committee 1:</b>
	Room 035 (Basement Floor), Alter Hall
	<i>Co-chairs: Devin Mulloy &amp; Hasin Tasneen</i>
	<b>Protecting Women and Girls' Access to Education - Committee 2:</b>
	Room 745 (7th Floor), Alter Hall
	<i>Co-chairs: Maria Arteta-Martelo &amp; Adhira Udayaraj</i>
1:15 – 1:45 p.m.	Closing Plenary Session
1:15 - 1:25 p.m.	Committee Co-Chair Closing Remarks
1:25 - 1:30 p.m.	Presentation of Superlatives and Awards
1:30 - 1:40 p.m.	Final Closing Remarks
1:45 p.m.	Adjournment

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