

International Affairs Seminar 2024 Application

Full name as it appears on driver's license (if applicable):

Age: _____ Grade: _____ Phone: _____

Date of Birth: _____

Please submit an essay with this application that addresses the following questions

1. Describe in your own words the purpose of the International Affairs Seminar.
2. Why do you want to attend the International Affairs Seminar?
3. If selected, what do you hope to gain from this experience?
4. What gifts, talents, and/or leadership skills would you bring to this group learning experience?
5. This year's theme is social media. Social media is often considered to be a two-edged sword with many pros and cons. It provides a way for people to connect and communicate like never before, but it also comes with concerns about its effects on mental health and neglecting in-person relationships as well as issues of data gathering and privacy encroachment.
 - a. How are we to go about balancing these issues as a society?
 - b. What are some approaches lawmakers could take in addressing these concerns?
 - c. What pros and cons have you personally experienced with social media?

Application and essay are due, along with \$600 (or arrangements on when it will be paid), by Sunday, January 14.

Upon receipt of your completed application, you will be contacted in order to schedule your personal interview. Space is limited, but all who apply will have the opportunity to interview.

Applications, essays, and payments should be turned in to Mark Taylor in person or via email at mtaylor@fcedmond.org