

PEACE SYMPOSIUM ON MARCH 10TH

The World Youth Peace Summit Office of Peace Projects will host the first follow-up event to last year's World Scholar-Athlete Games and World Youth Peace Summit. This peace symposium is for high school students interested in learning about the role of peace in their communities and getting involved in peacebuilding.

Saturday, March 20, 2012
1pm - 5pm
Kingswood-Oxford School (West Hartford, CT)
Admission is free, however students are required to pre-register

The schedule includes:

- Opening address by State Representative Andrew Fleischmann
- Participants may then choose to attend any of the following sessions:
 - Panel discussion featuring Connecticut candidates for the U.S. Congress, Chaired by Congressman John Larson. The panel will focus on each candidate's view of ways to enhance world peace
 - Panel discussion and presentation on the Role of Women in Peace, Chaired by Senator Beth Bye and featuring Mims Butterworth, renowned peace advocate and lifelong resident of Greater Hartford
 - Panel discussion and presentation on the Role of Sport and the Arts in the Peace Process,
 Chaired by Dan Doyle, founder of the World Youth Peace Summit
 - Workshop to help students formulate their projects, Chaired by Paz Magat, Deputy Director, World Youth Peace Summit
- Final gathering announcing the first grant funding available to students followed by a performance by Rob the Drummer, a nationally recognized motivational performer.

Participants will be required to prepare a *Pathways to Peace* project idea and initial project plan <u>prior</u> to the event. A *Pathways to Peace* project can be an individual or group project that addresses a need in the community. After the event, students may apply for one of five, \$500 grants available to launch the project.

The program is open to Connecticut high school students at no charge. Space is limited, so early registration is encouraged. Those interested in attending may register with the Office of Peace Projects at wwps@internationalsport.org. Please include your name, high school, current grade, phone number, and e-mail address.

For more information, contact the Office of Peace Projects at wyps@internationalsport.org.