NOVEMBER CRASH COURSE CALL
Agenda

- ICEBREAKER
- WHAT IS IHL?
- HOW TO GET INVOLVED IN YAC
- IHL ESSAY COMPETITION
- CLOSING REMARKS, QUESTIONS
Icebreaker!

Raise your hand or put your response in the chat!
- Name, grade, region
- What are you thankful for? Any Thanksgiving traditions?
What is International Humanitarian Law (IHL)?

Put your answers in the chat!
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What is IHL?

- Stands for International Humanitarian Law
- It is the body of law that governs armed conflict
- Limits the effects of armed conflict
- Protects civilians
WHAT ARE THE RULES OF WAR?

Yes, wars have rules.

Watch on YouTube
How can you get involved in YAC?
How to get involved in YAC

- Must be 13-24 years of age
- Participate in an IHL training with your IHL Regional Lead
- Include this year's theme in the campaign: Environment and Armed Conflict
- Timeline:
  - **July - April**: Training and implement the campaign
  - **May**: Deadline to submit campaign stats, summary project, and Summit applications
  - **May**: Summit representatives selected
  - **July**: IHL Youth Action Campaign Summit
IHL Essay and Art Competition

- 2023 Theme: Environment & Armed Conflict
  - This year's competition is in partnership with the Red Cross Red Crescent Climate Centre
  - Open to junior high, high school, undergraduate, graduate, and law school students
  - Competition opened Nov 14th, will close on January 27th
  - Submissions judged on critical thinking and analysis, the argument being supported by evidence, presentation and clarity, and relevance to the theme

- My experience: When I wrote my essay last year the theme was the preservation of cultural property
  - “The Preservation of Cultural Property is the Preservation of Humanity”
  - Digital magazine, feature all winning entries and a personalized video from participants

- I am so excited for this year's theme and I can't wait to see what everyone creates!!
Our Experiences
Questions?
YouthShare

- Want a chance to be featured on ARC social media?
- Share any projects you've been working on!
- Any initiatives you need help with?
UPCOMING CCC

DECEMBER 11TH
7:00 - 7:30 PM EST!
Reminders

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