

Jordan Model Parliament'

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The country's students must enjoy similar levels of education to allow them to compete fairly on the basis of their competence and efficiency and to step into professional life with confidence, success, and distinction.

King Abdullah II bin Al Hussein

Name of the Committee: UNRWA

President's Name: Dina Wahdan

Issue: Tackling the education crisis for Palestinian refugees

Dear Delegates,

Welcome to the 2026 JMP UNRWA forum!!

In this forum, delegates will have the opportunity to explore and discuss the education crisis and youth unemployment faced by Palestinian refugees. This includes understanding the issue of the quality of education that the Palestinians face in everyday life, along with the causes and consequences. Another issue to be discussed is the lack of job opportunities available for Palestinian refugees in Jordan.

Delegates must consider UNRWA perspective and solutions in their resolutions. Furthermore, it is highly recommended to read the entire president's packet thoroughly, along with background research. Armed with these facts, the resolutions should be plausible and able to be implemented as soon as possible. In other words, the resolutions should consider long-term benefits.

If a delegate is presenting his/her resolution, he/she should receive the full attention from all peers, followed by respectful feedback. It is important to keep in mind that all delegates' ideas are being respected and heard throughout all sessions.

I hope you will enjoy the time at this conference. Please do not hesitate to reach out to me or the Chair for any questions you may have!

Best Wishes,
Dina Wahdan
President of UNRW

Currently, the education crisis in Jordanian refugee camps contains over **660,000 children** out of school. The ongoing war in Gaza will set children and young people's education back by up to five years and risk creating a lost generation of permanently traumatised Palestinian youth, a new study warns (UNICEF 2024 Report).

The UNESCO-UNRWA partnership has supported four generations of Palestinian refugees to receive quality education even in times of crisis. UNRWA operates **706** elementary and preparatory schools in its five fields of operation, including eight secondary schools in Lebanon, providing free basic education for some **543,075** Palestinian refugee children. Despite this, the study from 2024 shows that education has been deprioritised in international aid efforts in favour of other areas. "Education, simply put, is not seen as lifesaving," the report warns (UNRWA 2024 Report). However, it is important to recognise that education is a human right fundamental to helping each child achieve their full potential. Without urgent, large-scale international support for education, the researchers suggest that there is a significant threat not just to students' learning, but their overall faith in the future and in concepts such as human rights.

Statistics:

I encourage you all to use websites ending in **.org**, **.gov**, and **.edu**, as they are reliable sources for your research. Make sure to use peer-reviewed sources with knowledgeable authors and quality information. Please try your best to avoid using Wikipedia and any resources that lack supporting evidence. Wikipedia is considered an **unreliable source**, for it allows anyone, regardless of expertise, to contribute and edit its content. Information there could be outdated or misleading. Social media platforms are also unreliable sources of information.

For background research on UNRWA, I suggest you check <https://www.unrwa.org/> and <https://www.unrwa.org/tags/unicef>

Questions

1. How can UNRWA continue providing quality education to Palestinian refugees?
2. What causes the issue of quality education with Palestinian refugees?
3. What are some impacts that we can see from the education currently provided in the refugee camp?
4. How can your resolutions best contribute to helping the education crisis in this matter?
5. How can addressing the factors above help to decrease the education crisis?