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Dear Marvelwood Families,

Marvelwood is a member of Round Square, a worldwide network of 170 schools in 40 countries, all of whom share a holistic approach to learning, built around six IDEALS (internationalism, democracy, environmentalism, adventure, leadership and service). Each year, Round Square schools send a team of delegates to an international conference. Marvelwood has sent delegations for the past three years to conferences in Switzerland, South Africa, and Canada. In 2019, the international conference is being hosted by Emerald Heights School in Indore, India, October 2-8. The theme of the conference, which will bring together over 1000 students and teachers, is *Sarvodaya— the world we wish to see*. Sarvodaya is a Sanskrit word meaning *progress for all*.

This trip is truly the experience of a lifetime. As delegates, students will have the opportunity to learn about and be immersed in cultures from around the world. They will develop a network of international friends and contacts, and will gain perspective on what it means to be citizens of the world. Round Square is a highly recognized and respected organization throughout the world. Delegates become part of a vast network of Round Square alumni, which affords opportunities throughout their lives.

The all-inclusive cost will be approximately \$3,200 per student. Some scholarship is available. Students who will be age 16-19 anytime in the 2019-2020 school year may apply (even if they turn 16 after the conference dates). If you would like your child to apply, please let me know. Interested students will be asked to submit an application (available in the Resources folder [here](#)) by January 15, 2019. Visit the Round Square section of the [website](#) for more information and to see photos from past conferences. Don't hesitate to contact me with any questions about the trip.

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