

Dear Educators:

I hope this website becomes a useful tool for you. It was my goal to provide you with technology resources to enhance student learning for this event. This is such an exciting opportunity to showcase our community *and* what a unique opportunity it is for our students to see top-class athletes from all over the world!

I will be very happy to come by your school and photograph or videotape any activities you are doing for the Tour of Missouri. I will make a page for your school building if I receive enough information. I'll accept emails of writings, drawings, audios, photos... absolutely anything you want to share with the online community, large or small. Please feel free to send it to me for publication.

The Tour is allowing us to make a student language presentation to the athletes. The four common languages are English, French, Spanish, and German. I have chosen buildings to make these presentations (see *Country Building Assignments PDF*). The individual student will be chosen by the building. I will work with the students after August 27 to make their presentation. Those students will practice September 8 for the local activities and also introduce themselves and make a "Welcome to Farmington" address for the international audience on September 9, race day. This language activity will be videotaped and posted on the website via SchoolTube. If other students learn some of your adopted country's phrases, I will be glad to videotape those, too, or make podcasts of them.

Also, if you wish to negotiate a transfer of country assignment with another building, feel free to do so with the exception of the buildings that are making a language presentation of French (Roosevelt), German (St Paul/St Joe), Spanish (Lincoln) or English (Truman). Those particular countries/languages need to remain with their buildings to avoid conflicts later.

Learn, share, and have fun!

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