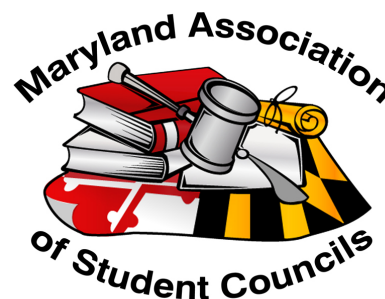


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Greetings Advisors!

There is a superhero inside all of us. We just need the courage to put on the cape!



***** **IMMEDIATE ACTION** *****

• **Special State Charity Event at Convention: BRING IN THE CANNED FOOD!!** Delegates from each region should bring in cans or funds to nominate a delegate or advisor from his/her region to participate in the "Hunger Games" challenge (1 can or \$1 = 1 nomination). The person with the most nominations in each region becomes the tribute to represent their region. Tributes are able to opt-out by bringing in cans or money that balance out how much was raised in their nomination. On Thursday evening during recreation time, tributes will compete in five "minute-to-win-it" challenges. The region that earns the most points after all five challenges wins a prize! Of course, the real winners are the food banks and the Maryland people needing the food! (There is another service learning project on Wednesday evening and some other fun state charity awareness activities!) See details under "Other Information – Important" on the convention website!

<https://mdstudentcouncils.org/index.php/convention/>

• **Action by April 25th: NASC Conference – June 24-29: Destination New Hampshire:** (The early-bird registration for NASC was extended to May 1st, thus MASC was able to extend it's deadline to students!!) The 2017 NASC National Conference is guaranteed to be a rock solid leadership experience at host school Pinkerton Academy, New Hampshire, June 26–28 (MASC trip June 24-29). The conference features an exciting blend of top speakers and informative workshops promoting excellence in student council leadership. Join the MASC delegation to learn, network, and celebrate student council in the spirit of the conference theme: Out of this World Leadership! Check out the MASC website for more conference details and workshop presenter information.

<https://mdstudentcouncils.org/index.php/nasc-lead-conferences/>

• **MASC Staff Applications – April 1 – April 30:** On-line applications for qualified student leaders wishing to apply for MASC staff positions are open during the month of April. Students must have attended at least one event (conference or executive board meeting). Information is posted on the MASC applications page:

<https://mdstudentcouncils.org/index.php/masc-executive-board-appointed-staff/>

***** **UPCOMING EVENTS** *****

• **May/June MASC Executive Board Meeting:** The last executive board meeting for our current school year is on Saturday, June 3 from 10:00 a.m. until 2:00 p.m., at Huntingtown High School in Calvert County. At this meeting, appointed staff will give their end-of-the-year reports, bids for conferences will be accepted, and the new officers will be sworn in. There will be a special luncheon to recognize the out-going appointed staff, officers and state SMOB.

Registration is from Wednesday, May 3 – Saturday, May 27. Details will be posted on the MASC website.

<https://mdstudentcouncils.org/>

***** **ACTION ITEMS** *****

• **Please Join MASC – Support the Student Leaders in Maryland:** Easy on-line application! Pay by credit card, check or cash! MASC encourages Regional Advisors not in a school to join as an associate member!! Full details on-line:

<http://mdstudentcouncils.com/index.php/applications/masc-membership-application/>

***** **REGIONAL ADVISORS ONLY** *****

• **REGIONAL ADVISORS: Action by April 2:** Once again, regional advisors (or his/her designees) are invited to meet after the MASC Convention on Friday, April 7th (Meeting 2:30 p.m. – dinner). This is an important time for reflection, sharing, and planning. For planning purposes, please email Lance Ledebur (Lance.Ledebur@maryland.gov) and Karen Crawford (MrsKCrawford@gmail.com). Let us know if you want a room (no charge) for overnight on Friday, April 7th.

***** **NEWS OF NOTE** *****



• **MASC State Charity:** Please report to MASC every time your school conducts a food drive, has students volunteering at a food bank, or does a fundraiser for a food closet. For the reporting form and other ideas on how your school can support our charity, go to:
<https://mdstudentcouncils.org/index.php/about-us/state-charity/>

• **MASC Web Site:** Keeping you up-to-date! Bookmark and check out the MASC website!
<http://mdstudentcouncils.org>

***** **NASC NEWS** *****

NASC News is taken directly from the NASC E-Bulletin or the NASC web site (<https://www.nasc.us>)

• **National Student Leadership Week – April 16-22, 2017:** Student leaders are “Making a World of Difference” in schools and communities during National Student Leadership Week, April 16-22. Plan your celebration now! Sponsoring organizations NASC, the National Honor Societies, and their parent, the National Association of Secondary School Principals (NASSP), invite schools to recognize student leaders for their outstanding achievements and efforts to improve school climate through their activities. This year’s theme supports the NASSP student leadership initiative on global citizenship. Be sure your students know about this year’s video challenge too. Visit the NASC website to learn all about it. You’ll also find resources and ideas to plan how you can celebrate your student leaders. Share your activities via social media using #NSLW17.

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***** **REMINDERS** *****

• **Advisors Bulletin On-line** – Remember, the monthly Advisor Bulletin is archived on the MASC web.
<http://mdstudentcouncils.com/index.php/documents/advisors-bulletin/>

***** **RESOURCES** *****

CADA Resource Library: If you ever have a chance to attend the CADA (California Association of Directors of Activities) Conference (Wednesday – Saturday at the beginning of March)...GO FOR IT. After attending my first CADA this year, I was sent a great link for the CADA Resource Library. There is no password needed....CADA is freely sharing! You can type in a keyword for a search on a specific topic, or just browse through the titles. ENJOY!!!

<http://bit.ly/2mBsEa3>

Feel free to email with questions, comments, concerns or other resources that could be shared with advisors or regional advisors around the state.

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