

# MASC Special Bulletin – January 2016 Updates

Maryland Association of Student Councils (MASC)

*Here are a few reminders, some additional information, and a date correction*

## \*\*\*\*\* **LEGISLATIVE SESSION** \*\*\*\*\*

*The second major conference of the school year is the Legislative Session! Following our theme of the year, "G.O.L.D. Medal Leadership," at this event, we will be "Passing the Torch of Leadership." Delegates will be given opportunities to practice learned leadership skills, develop new ones, engage in networking, and partake in electing the final two candidates for student member of the State Board of Education!*

### **Action before midnight, Friday, January 22, 2016**

- Registration opened Thursday, January 7, 2016....it closes at midnight on Friday, January 22, 2016. Postmarked registration is Wednesday, January 27, 2016.
- The registration process now requires each advisor to create an account for his/her school. This account will be used for each big MASC event from now on. It's quick and easy. Just follow the instructions on the page the registration link takes you to. (Once you have an account, you will use that for all of our MASC big events and have regular access to invoices, etc., all in one place! With a login, the registration process is clearer and quicker than before!)
- FULL DETAILS: <http://mdstudentcouncils.com/index.php/legislative-session/>

## \*\*\*\*\* **REGIONAL ADVISORS ONLY** \*\*\*\*\*

### **Action before midnight, Monday, January 18, 2016**

- **Regional Advisor's Meeting** –Please mark your calendar for our next Regional Advisor's Meeting from 9:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m. on Friday, January 22, 2016. Jeff Alisauckas, CCSGA (Carroll County) Regional Advisor, will host at Carroll County Public Schools central office in Westminster. Registration is now open and closes at midnight on Monday, January 18<sup>th</sup>  
<http://mdstudentcouncils.com/> (Upcoming Events)

## \*\*\*\*\* **REMINDERS** \*\*\*\*\*

- **Action by February 1<sup>st</sup> - NASC Conference** –The NASC National Conference (June 22-27, 2017) is in Portland, Oregon. Students should notify Mr. Ledebur and Mrs. Crawford on or before February 1<sup>st</sup> if interested in attending. Limited space is available (only eight students), so read, discuss, and act as soon as possible. Flyer: <http://mdstudentcouncils.com/wp-content/uploads/2015/06/NASC2016MASC.pdf>
- **Action by February 6<sup>th</sup> - MASC awards information** – Don't wait until the last minute. MASC member schools should start looking at the MASC Felix Simon Award for their student councils, Advisor and Principal of the Year Award, plus the reinstated State Charity Award. Award applications are due Saturday, February 6, 2016. (Note: Advisor and Principal of the Year Award must go through your Region – only one application per Region is accepted...so get your Advisor/Principal application to your Regional Advisors in time for the Region to select and write the required recommendation letter). Full details at <http://mdstudentcouncils.com/index.php/applications/masc-awards/>
- **Region 2 Student Liaison** – (action by February 18) Region 2 has a student position called the Region 2 Student Liaison. Every other year, the position for the Region 2 Student Liaison is open for each Region 2 state to submit one student candidate. The student needs to currently be a freshman or sophomore and the selected student will service his or her junior and senior year (May 1, 2016 to April 30, 2018). See "Latest Posts" on MASC's home page  
<http://mdstudentcouncils.com/>
- **MASC Membership** –Not sure if your school is a member of MASC for 2015-2016? Click the link below (the list of member schools is at the bottom of the membership application page). Support student leadership in

Maryland – JOIN TODAY! <http://mdstudentcouncils.com/index.php/applications/masc-membership-application/>

\*\*\*\*\* **CONVENTION** \*\*\*\*\*

- The date of the MASC spring convention was listed incorrectly in the January Bulletin. The correct date is April 6-8, 2016. Sorry!!
- Details are posted at <http://mdstudentcouncils.com/index.php/convention-2016/>

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