



MASC 2021 WINTER SERVICE WEEK

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Monday, January 18th, 2021, was Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Day. Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. was one of the leaders of the civil rights movement and he spent his life fighting for equality for African Americans. He is someone who inspired leaders around the world and always promoted peace and love.

*“Darkness cannot drive out darkness; only light can do that.
Hate cannot drive out hate; only love can do that” ~MLK*

This week MASC has been and will continue to participate in acts of service for our community.

**Tag MASC in your post or story and include
#MASCServiceWeek**

- *Make either a Mug of Love, Homemade Gift, or Sweet Treat for Meals on Wheels Maryland. To coordinate a drop-off or mailing, contact volunteer@mowcm.org*
- *Make a mask for your friend using an online tutorial or contact your local hospital and see if they accept donations of masks.*
- *Handwrite a letter directed towards elders and mail it. Follow the instructions on this page loveforourelthers.org/letters.*
- *Drop off food at your nearest local food pantry*
- *Contact an elementary school or your old teachers and see if you can read for a class virtually*

Even after MASC Winter Service Week comes to a close, you can continue to create, donate, and spread the message of peace and love.



MASC AND CORONAVIRUS (COVID-19)

All MASC events are currently being hosted virtually.

MASC is closely monitoring the rapidly evolving situation regarding COVID-19. Student health and safety has been and remains our main priority.

For additional information and updates please visit our website, mdstudentcouncils.org

HOW TO GET INVOLVED

MASC gladly welcomes all student input and participation. We encourage students to become active members of MASC by attending Executive Board Meetings and by being certified workshop presenters. Check our calendar or contact us for upcoming meetings and other MASC events.

MASC CELEBRATES DIVERSITY

MASC does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, religion, sex, age, ancestry or national origin, familial status, marital status, physical or mental disability, sexual orientation or genetic information in its programs and activities and provides equal access and a welcoming environment to all groups.

DISCLAIMER

All events, dates, and times are current at the time of publication, but are subject to change. Please check our website for the most up to date information on events, registration, and more.

LEGISLATIVE SESSION: INFO AND MORE

The second major conference of the school year is the Legislative Session! Following our theme of the year, Leadership Liftoff: A Journey into S.P.A.C.E. as Students Practice Advocacy and Civic Engagement, they will explore areas of leadership, develop, take stances on youth-related bills in the Maryland General Assembly, and participate in electing the final two candidates for the student member of the State Board of Education!

Workshops that delegates new to the Legislative Session attend will focus on advocacy and legislative business that will allow them to learn about the student members around the state and at the state level, how the legislative process works, and discover how they can become involved. Delegates that have attended the Legislative Session in the past will attend workshops that have not been presented previously and will focus on building existing leadership skills.

Prior to this event, selected candidates from across the state will be campaigning for the position of 2020-2021 student member on the State Board of Education (SMOB). As a member school of MASC, delegates vote on which two candidates MASC will recommend to the Governor for his final appointment. Each candidate will deliver a speech of his or her composition (taped and released before the event) and will participate in a question and answer period (questions to be submitted before the event). During this time, delegates of the General Assembly hear candidates' responses to questions regarding their experience, platform, goals, ideas, and other appropriate topics that will help distinguish the top contenders. Again, registered delegates will be able to submit questions through a Google form and using a random selection program, questions will be selected to ask the candidates.

Things to remember:

- Date: Saturday, February 20, 2021
- Location: Virtual
- Times: 9:30am - 2:45pm
- Registration opens: Friday, January 15, 2021
- Registration closes: 11:59 pm, – February 6
– no extensions due to behind the scenes work
- Registration/payment postmarked/received electronically, Tuesday, February 9, 2021
- Cost: \$10 for delegates and advisors (\$8 for workshop presenters)
- Must be an MASC member school

Additional Information:

mdstudentcouncils.org/index.php/legislative-session/

FINAL STATE SMOB CANDIDATES

Candidates (listed alphabetically)



Kevin Bokoum
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Lauren Raskin
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