

Hi MASC! I'm Kemi Osamiluyi and I am so thankful to be running to be YOUR 2nd Vice President of MASC!

Like many of you, I have been a piece of the large puzzle that is the Maryland School System, all my life. I am so thankful to have gotten the many opportunities that I have, and I want to give amazing opportunities like those, to students all over the state of Maryland. As your fellow peer, I will advocate for the changes that you want to see in our communities.

As a middle school student, I know first hand the struggles we face as a community, and I promise to be an advocate for the middle school students of Maryland. An important part of student government is having everyone's voices, and opinions heard. I will make sure that this is carried out. I want everyone to feel heard and understood; whether you are in elementary school, middle school, or highschool.

One of my goals, is to inspire students, young and old, to become more active in their communities and to strive for the best when it comes to their education! This will help us all come together and continue to make Maryland a state of leaders, and people who fight for their communities! I believe that there is a natural born leader inside of all of us. I want to help nurture this in all of the students around me. As a community we need to make sure that all three levels of the school system feel connected, cared for, and involved.

Do you know what will help us succeed? Knowledge. Knowledge is what school fills us with. If you do not find your classes engaging or you find the styles of learning that are used in your classes, hard to understand, it will be difficult for you to learn anything. Learning equity has always been important, but it is even more necessary during a pandemic. Many minority communities have been disproportionately affected during the pandemic. Some students don't have access to the proper technologies, wi-fi connection, and more. This is why we need to provide the proper resources for our students so that they can become, the leaders of tomorrow.

As 2nd Vice President, I would keep mental health as one of my utmost priorities. The mental health of students is so important to me. According to the World Health Organization, during the Covid-19 pandemic, there have been increases in stress, depression, anxiety, and more. This is not okay. The wellbeing of students should be our main focus. In order to do your best in the classroom, you have to feel your best.

A recent study by The Maryland Reporter states that we, Maryland, have ranked as the 7th most diverse state! Not just diversity in race, but diversity in thoughts, ideas, opinions, habits, and more! You may be wondering why this information is important? This information shows us that we need to continue to make sure everyone feels heard and cared for in our communities, because in the end, we are all residents of Maryland.

We need to embrace each other's individuality and differences, because that is what truly makes us, Maryland. Together, we can launch ourselves into the future!

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