***MASC Conference Bid Information***

**2024 MASC NEW CONVENTION ADVISOR HOSPITALITY**

**February 28- March 1, 2024**

The MASC Convention is from the afternoon of Wednesday, February 28 through the morning of March 1, 2024, at the Ashore Resort and Beach Club Hotel, (formerly the Clarion and the Fontainebleau) located at 10100 Coastal HWY, Ocean City, MD 21842. The host staff and advisors will arrive on Tuesday, February 27th after dinner (possibly stopping for dinner on their way to the hotel) to begin set up and pre-conference preparations.

Up to two host advisors will receive complimentary registrations. The host advisor(s) and students (between 2-4) receive a complimentary stay the night before the convention along with breakfast and lunch before the convention begins. One of the host advisors will stay in the room above the hospitality suite.

**Note:** One school/region may opt to submit a bid to host both the New Convention and the New Convention Advisor Hospitality

***Conference Bid:***

Schools/regions interested in hosting the 2024 New Convention may submit a bid proposal to MASC starting at the August 2023 Executive Board meeting.

The bid presentation should include, but not be limited to, the following:

* Reasons for wanting to host the convention advisor hospitality room
* Share any experience in hosting an event
* Donation outreach strategies
* The signed Bid Application Acknowledgement document
* A letter of support from the Superintendent of the local school system

***Responsibilities of the Hosting Staff:***

* Solicit donations for advisor prizes, snacks (“home-baked” cookies, brownies, etc.), paper goods, etc.
* Order breakfast, fruit, and other platters for serving (see [Convention Hospitality Budget Spreadsheet](https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/161WWpc0Ced1Y4KfQBdIJQLsaRETT2SsTv_vxMhuIGDI/edit?usp=sharing))
* Conduct an advisor “drawing” throughout the convention for prizes
* Monitor the hospitality room at all times when open
* Submit a final expense report (including receipts and invoices) no later than one month after the event

***Responsibilities of MASC:***

* Work with the host advisor(s) to give ideas and contacts for food platters and donations
* Notify the host advisor(s) of the number of advisors attending two weeks before the convention
* Support in other ways as requested

***Conference Planning-***

The host advisor(s) and the MASC advisor(s) will meet virtually several times as needed to assist in planning and make any approvals as needed.

***For more information or to express interest in submitting a bid, contact***

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