

NEWSLETTER

2ND VP REPORT



BEGINNING

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Welcome All Middle School Students!

Let the 2023-2024 year begin!

Hello, Maryland middle schoolers and Advisors! I am Siya Jain, the 2nd-Vice President of the Maryland Association of Student Councils. I represent middle schoolers interested in student leadership throughout the state. This series of quarterly newsletters will offer information about opportunities, events, goals, ideas, and serve a new beginning for middle schoolers in MASC.

In March of 2023, MASC held their final big conference for the 2022-2023 school year, Convention. At this event, candidates for the elected officer positions shared their various, new ideas for the upcoming school year. As one of the candidates, I shared my ideas for increasing transparency, inclusivity, and collaboration. This year, my biggest goal is to increase middle school participation at not only events, but in the inner workings; committees, groups, and even the MASC executive board in the 2024-2025 school year!

LINKS YOU SHOULD
CHECK OUT:

**REGISTER FOR AN MASC
MEMBERSHIP!** *FOR ADVISORS TO
COMPLETE/APPLY FOR

**MIDDLE SCHOOL
RESOURCE PAGE**

**SEPTEMBER WORKSHOP
CERTIFICATION INFO**

MASC COMMITTEES INFO

HOSTING (ADVISORS)

UPCOMING EVENTS:

**Saturday, September
23rd, 2023 - Workshop
Presenter Certification**

**Closest Major
Conference: Fall
Leadership Conference**



Student Members of The Board across Maryland

After Convention, MASC held their closing event for the year- the May Executive Board meeting, where all members of the Executive Board were sworn in. Executive board meetings are held every few months and are open to all students; they serve as a great way to meet members of the executive board and learn more about MASC. Attending executive board meetings allows you to see how legislation is voted on, receive updates from regions and appointed staff, and hear about new ways to be involved. Executive board meetings always have an optional virtual platform if you can't make it in person!

MASC Advance: A Recap

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From August 1st to 2nd, MASC held the first event of the year, Advance. On the first day, delegates became certified workshop presenters by attending informative and helpful workshop sessions designed and presented by students. Students certified will have the chance to present at any of MASC's 3 major conferences; Fall Leadership Conference, Convention, and Spring Leadership Conference.

On the second day of the event, delegates listened to and interacted with MASC Executive Board members as they gave their beginning-of-the-year summer report. Students also participated in a fun hour of icebreakers, games, and get-to-know-you activities. At the end of the day, MASC revealed the 2023-2024 yearly theme: Rock on MASC!



WANT TO GET INVOLVED?

There are many upcoming and available opportunities for middle schoolers besides events! Are you interested in working with a group of young student leaders to make change and share unique, innovative ideas? If so,

the Action In Middle School Committee is the perfect opportunity for you! This committee will allow you to create, advocate, and make new connections. More information about AIMS can be found by clicking the 'MASC Committees Info' link on the first page!