



**National Association of Student Councils (NASC) Maryland
Representative on the National Student Council
2024-2025**



The National Student Council (NSC) is an assembly of elected and appointed student leaders across the United States. The one-year term on NSC will include representation from 25 states. This position is filled via appointment by each state's student council association. It advocates for students' voices at the federal level, ensuring that their diverse perspectives and interests are integral to discussions surrounding education, schools, educators, and their futures. [Explore the Bylaws](#) to learn more about NSC.

Please note: Maryland must submit two candidates for State Representative. The National Association of Secondary School Principals (NAASSP) panel will select one State Representative from the two candidates nominated by each state.

The NSC Maryland Representative holds a dual role, serving on the MASC Appointed Staff as well as the National Student Council (NSC). This position requires a high level of commitment, communication skills, and active involvement in both MASC and NASC activities. Students on the National Student Council develop leadership skills, access networking opportunities, and experience Washington, D.C. firsthand – shaping policies, enhancing professional development, and fostering collaboration.

Eligibility: Below are the requirements for this position directly from NSC.

- Must be a rising Junior or Senior in high school.
- Must attend a school with an active (2023-2024) NASC membership. ([Link to check that your school is a current member of NASC](#))
- Must have been an active member of their school's student council for at least two years.
- Must be able to travel alone to Washington, D.C., or other major U.S. cities.
- Must commit to participating in nine (9) monthly virtual meetings and one (1) in-person gathering.

Time Commitment: *approximately 4 hours per month; more hours before events and during staff evaluations*

Duties as assigned by the MASC and NSC:

- Commit to participating in nine (9) monthly virtual meetings and one (1) in-person expense-paid gathering in Washington, D.C.
- Serve as the voice of Maryland student councils within NSC, ensuring that Maryland students' perspectives, concerns, and initiatives are effectively communicated at the national level.
- Actively participate in their school and state student council.
- Attend a member school for NSC during the 2023-2024 school year. Attend a member school for MASC during the 2024-2025 school year.
- Work closely with the Chief of Staff, Communications Director, Special Issues Director, Operations Director, and elected officers within MASC to coordinate efforts and initiatives that align with NSC objectives.
- Facilitate communication between NSC and MASC, ensuring that relevant information, resources, and opportunities are shared effectively among members.
- Present reports at Executive Board meetings and Conferences to foster a connection between NSC and MASC.
- Be able to travel alone to Washington, D.C., or other major U.S. cities for NASC events and conferences.
- Demonstrate strong communication skills, leadership abilities, and a commitment to representing

student interests.

- Fulfill any additional duties or obligations assigned by the MASC President or NSC leadership.

Prompt: *Write a short (no more than 400 words) essay on your past experiences and knowledge of MASC and NSC, and why you would like to serve in this position.*

Application Parts:

1. Completed Google Application Form ([Link to Google Form](#))
2. Recommendation completed by any adult (teacher, counselor, advisor, etc.) who has worked directly with the applicant. ([Link to Google Form](#))
3. School Principal and Advisor Verification Form ([Link to PDF File](#))
4. Parent/Guardian Permission Form ([Link to PDF file](#))
5. Prompt/Essay Document (to be uploaded in the Application Google Form)