CANDIDATE STATEMENT OF CAIDEN OGDEN

FOR MARYLAND ASSOCIATION OF STUDENT COUNCILS TREASURER

I'm Caiden Ogden and I'm honored to be running for your next MASC Treasurer. Growing up in Allegany County, I understand how difficult it can be for smaller counties to get their voices heard and access the resources they need. For instance, we almost couldn't go to WLC (Winter Leadership Conference) because of the increase in transportation costs and we are a small county, we need more county wide participation to offset the transportations costs.

As treasurer, I want to figure out a way to make sure everyone can attend MASC events. These events are essential for learning how to raise your voice and make an impact. It's not easy doing it on your own. You need support, resources, a platform, etc. With me in office, I will help support you with these things because your voice matters just as much as anyone else's.

I also want to add more MASC merchandise to their already amazing collection. I don't want these merchandise designs to be made by a professional or me, I want them to be done with your help. I want everyone to have a say in what MASC designs and what products we offer. I'm not just talking about sweatpants and T-shirts. Think of new, items like keychains, stuffed animals, and other fun products that represent who we are. The possibilities are endless when we work together.

When it comes to fundraising, I've got a lot of ideas. If you went to advance, did you like the ice cream? Let's do it again! With new flavors and options for everyone, including those with dietary restrictions. I'm also passionate about causes that matter, and one of them is cancer research. My grandfather passed away from liver and bladder cancer in December 2024. Through this experience, I've realized cancer research is very important to finding the cure and with our support we can help advance cancer research instead of the end hasn't advanced in a while. Even though finding a cure will take some time, every bit of support we can give makes a difference. That's why I'd like to organize MORE fundraisers every few months, supporting cancer research or focusing on the specific cancer awareness for that month. Something I would like to see MASC support.

Another cause close to my heart is supporting homeless shelters. I'd like to organize some holiday food and clothing drives because everyone deserves a warm meal and clean clothes.

These are just a few of my ideas, but I'm committed to making MASC a place where everyone's voice is heard and supported. Like working with a team and supporting all of our counties across the state, which is what I have been doing the Western Maryland Regional Liaison this past year. I'm running for Treasurer to serve you and make a difference for all of us.

CAIDEN OGDEN MASC TREASURER CANDIDATE

SKILLS

- Financial Management
- Attention to Detail
- Organizational Skills
- Analytical Skills
- Communication
- Problem-Solving
- Time Management
- Integrity
- Strategic Thinking
- Collaboration

RECOGNITION

- Offered The Carson Scholars
 Fund Scholarship For My
 Grades and Service Learning
 Hours
- ACASC 2nd Vice President Certificate
- ACASC Parliamentarian
 Certificate
- Advance Workshop
 Certification
- Distinguished Honor Roll since 6th Grade
- Mentioned On WCASC (Washington County Association of Student Councils) Website

PROFILE

Caiden's focused on supporting others and valuing their ideas, which makes him a perfect fit for the role of treasurer. He's not about bragging or seeking recognition, but about ensuring everyone has the resources they need to succeed. As treasurer, Caiden would work to manage funds responsibly, making sure every student's voice is heard and opportunities are available for all to thrive. His approach is all about collaboration and helping others, which aligns perfectly with the responsibilities of a treasurer.

POSITIONS

- ACASC 2nd Vice President | 2022-2023
- ACASC Parliamentarian | 2023-2024
- ACASC Secretary/Treasurer | 2024-2025
- ACASC Social Media Manager/Graphic Design Director | 2024-2025
- MASC Division One Liaison | 2024-2025
- Braddock Student Council | 2021-2024
- National Junior Honor Society | 2023-2024
- Division One Committee | 2023-2024
- FFA Delegate (Future Farmers of America)
- Freshman Class President
- MoCo Wild Ambassador
- Allegany Student Council
- Braddock Recycling Club President | 2022-2024

ORGANIZATIONS/CLUBS

- ACASC (Allegany County Association of Student Councils)
- MASC (Maryland Association of Student Councils)
- Braddock Student Council | 2021-2024
- National Junior Honor Society | 2023-2024
- FFA (Future Farmers of America)
- MoCo Wild
- Allegany Student Council
- Recycling Club | 2022-2024

EDUCATION

Allegany High School

High School Diploma (Class of 2028)

GPA: 4.41/4.5

MLW (Maryland Leadship Workshops) and Advance Workshop Certification

Renewing This Summer (For My Second Time)

2024-2025

2024-Present