#### WHAT IS MASC?

# MARYLAND ASSOCIATION OF STUDENT COUNCILS

Maryland's Student Voice



### LEADERSHIP DEVELOPMENT

MASC holds various conferences for students throughout the year where certified student leaders facilitate workshops written by students for students. MASC also participates in initiatives and services pertinent to youth.

### STUDENT ADVOCACY



MASC communicates with the Maryland General Assembly as well as various interest groups and the State Board of Education advocating student rights. Importantly, MASC nominates two students, one of whom is appointed by the Governor to serve as a voting member on the State Board of Education. MASC also appoints a voting student member on the Advisory to the Subcabinet, Maryland Center for School Safety.

### COMMUNICATION



Student leaders around the state unite under MASC through similar networks on regional levels which communicate to individual middle and high schools. Through this structure, MASC is able to share ideas and gather as a general assembly to take stances on issues.

## **MEMBERSHIP**

MASC is an organization of school student councils, thus membership is only through the school. A school student council advisor or administrator can complete the easy on-line application. Membership voting and fees align with the school's population size. MASC membership opens on August 1<sup>st</sup> every year.

The Maryland Association of Student Councils (MASC) is an organization of public and private secondary school student councils in the state of Maryland. Students are not only the leaders of the future but the leaders of today and defend as well as promote the interests, rights, and well-being of all students in the state of Maryland.

MASC gladly welcomes all student input and participation. MASC encourages students to become active student leaders in MASC by attending executive board meetings and webinars, becoming certified workshop presenters, joining a committee, and becoming a voting member by joining through their school's student council so they may attend all conferences.

#### **MASC Mission Statement**

The mission of MASC is to foster a statewide environment for all secondary school students to express and exchange opinions and ideas, develop leadership skills, and promote student representation and involvement in all groups and organizations impacting the lives of students.

# www.mdstudentcouncils.org

#### Get Involved! Stay Involved!

Stay updated on MASC events, initiatives, webinars, committees, conferences, and more.

#### **Reasons to Join MASC**

Networking – Student Voice – Leadership Skills Recognition (Awards) – Voting Privileges Representation – Resources Strengthen & Empower your SGA Friendships & FUN!







MASC is a 501(c)3 non-profit organization