

Blessing Chang

MASC 1st Vice Presidential Candidate | 2026 -2027

Education

Bowie High School — Class of 2027

GPA: 4.6/4.0 — AP Government, AP World History, AP Stats, AP Lang, AP Environmental, AP Seminar

Dual Enrollment Classes: English 1010, Business Management, Technical Writing, Psychology

Experience

Maryland Association Student's Councils – Civic Engagement Committee and Certified Workshop

Presenter (Nov 2025 – Present)

- Civic Engagement Committee: Research bills on the MGA website and help SLACers with assigned tasks like helping with presentations for MASC events.
- Certified Workshop Presenter: Created and prepared workshops designed to inform student leaders of policy and issues. Presented at FLC and WLC 2025-2026.

Prince George's County Regional SGA – Lobbyist (Nov 2025 – Present)

- Lobby the Board of Education and state legislatures; Write legislation and testimony for the PGRASG President.
- Create and present presentations at the county GA's to keep SGA's informed on policy.

State Superintendent's Student Advisory Council (Nov 2025 – Present)

- Help to advise the Superintendent on student perspectives related to education policy and initiatives across the district. Also worked with student leaders to analyze proposed policies based on student concerns.

TurnUp Activism – Civic Engagement Intern (Apr 2025 – June 2025)

- Researched and produced civic education content supporting national youth voter engagement campaigns. Contributed to digital outreach strategy, participated in national organizing calls, and promoted political literacy through social media and youth-focused advocacy initiatives.

Future Business Leaders of America — President (1 year)

- Facilitate chapter meetings and ensure members are prepared for state-level competitions and leadership summits.

American Youth Association – State Policy Comm. (November 1st, 2025 – Present)

- Act as the voice for my state's chapter by transforming legislative research into clear narratives that resonate with the public and local media; I lobby with legislators for bills important to AYA's platform.

Projects

Policy In Action Youth for Justice and Equity (PAYJE) | **President & Founder** | Aug 2025 – Present

- Co-founded an organization to engage Maryland youth in legal and political action through education and direct service.
- Oversees committees: Legal Literacy, Action Lab, Youth Advocacy, and Policy.
- Managing upcoming initiatives: Know-your-rights workshops, county-policy proposals, and city council group visits.

Maryland General Assembly Advocate

- Testified for SB 245 and SB 204 bills on the MGA website (written).
- Lobbied with legislators in the House of Delegates and the Senate in Annapolis to pass gun violence prevention bills SB 692/HB 741 and SB 118/HB 197 with Team Enough Baltimore