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TO: Members of the State Board of Education
FROM: Lillian M. Lowery, Ed.D. *Lillian M. Lowery*
DATE: May 20, 2014
SUBJECT: Update on the Maryland Association of Student Councils

PURPOSE:

The purposes of this report is to inform the State Board of Education of the activities and programs conducted during the 2013-2014 school year by the Maryland Association of Student Councils (MASC) and to introduce the President and other officers of MASC for 2014-2015.

BACKGROUND:

Since 1971, the Maryland State Department of Education has sponsored the Maryland Association of Student Councils (MASC). Today, MASC is comprised of member schools from 16 regions across the state. MASC has a proud history of supporting and organizing civic engagement through lobbying and supporting a state charity each year. MASC also sponsors four major events each year: Fall Leadership Conference, Legislative Session, Legislative Lobbying Day, and Convention. The MASC Executive Board meets five times each year: August, October, December, February, and May. MASC is the organization charged with selecting two students to recommend to the Governor for the position of Student Member on the State Board of Education.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:

Devan Ogburn, 2013-2014 MASC President from Leonardtown High School in St. Mary's County, will outline the group's successes during the 2013-2014 school year as well as introduce the 2014-2015 MASC Officer Team of Kara Ritterpusch, President (Anne Arundel County); Ciera Albrittain, First Vice-President (Charles County); Phoenix Do, Treasurer (Washington County); and Cole Smith, Second Vice-President (Charles County).

ACTION:

No action required. This item is for informational purposes only.