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TO: Members of the State Board of Education

FROM: Lillian M. Lowery, Ed.D.

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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 2012-2013 school year by the Maryland Association of Student Councils (MASC) and to introduce the President of MASC for 2013-2014.

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 19 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: a 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, 2012-2013 MASC President from Leonardtown High School in St. Mary's County, will outline the group's successes during the 2012-2013 school year as well as introduce the 2013-2014 MASC Officer Team of Devan Ogburn, President (St. Mary's County); Jessica Qiu, First Vice-President (Howard County); Patrick Mikulis, Treasurer (Howard County); and Maggie Chen, Second Vice-President (Montgomery County).

ACTION:

No action required. This item is for Board information only.