

MASC/MAHS STUDENT LEADER GUIDE 2026-2027

Michigan Association of Student Councils & Honor Societies

Organization Overview & Membership

Kettering is an active member of one of the most successful student leadership organizations across the nation. The organization gives students a wide array of strategies for personal and academic leadership growth, training, activity involvement, opportunities to connect with students from schools around the state of Michigan, fundraising for charity, and leadership opportunities at a variety of events. The tools needed to be a successful leader are found in so many diverse areas of this organization. MASC/MAHS is broken into centers from around Michigan. Kettering is a member of **Center 12**.



Elite Programming

MASC/MAHS offers a diverse set of programming options to capitalize on becoming the best leaders. As a member school, we are place heavy focus in the following areas/events:

Leadership Training Institute: Primarily for grades 9-10 and new members in any grade. | October/November (\$70)
Invitations will be sent out in the fall.

Designed to introduce NEW students to student activities (Student Council, Honor Society, or other groups) to the world of student leadership. We will focus on group dynamics, communication technique, team building, and other basic concepts to have your group starting new members off on the right foot. Ideal for those new in groups, student Board of Delegate members will design and present the information to students in an interactive and FUN manner that will not disappoint.

LTI's Focus On:

- Group dynamics
- Communication techniques
- Managing groups more effectively
- Resources on event planning
- Team building
- Soft skills
- Time management for your entire team
- And many more leadership concepts geared toward starting your new members off on the right foot!



Regional Connect Conferences: All students are encouraged to apply to attend! | December/January (\$70)
Invitations will be sent out in November.

Regional Connect conferences bring together students from all across the state of Michigan to learn and grow from presentations that are completely student driven. Each year MASC/MAHS Michigan Student Leadership partners with host schools across the state to bring our location venues to life with unique themes, student networking, idea sharing sessions, keynote speakers, leadership curricular activities and of course, student showcase presentations.

Student Showcase Presentations

Student showcases are the backbone of our Regional Connect programs. Students submit presentations on various topics and programs that are unique to their own school's mission and share these ideas in breakout sessions to their fellow student leaders. Showcases give our student leaders the chance to present a concept, program, fundraiser, school-wide event, etc. to dozens of others schools at each event. These 40min presentations are designed to give our student audiences all the tools they would need to put this program into action in their own building! Adding to the excitement, the best Regional Showcase presentations will be selected to present at this year's MASC/MAHS Michigan Student Leadership State Conference!



Presentations range from anti-bullying programs to school spirit initiatives to community service projects - and everything in between.

Charity of the Year

Each year MASC/MAHS Board of Delegates chooses the charity to support. Kettering fundraises this donation from our Winter Charity Week and events. Donations earn us specific recognition at the State Leadership Conference.

The host school for the State Conference works together with MASC/MAHS to select a Michigan-local charity to support where each participating school joins in the work to fundraise, collect supplies and actively engage in other activities in support of the charity's mission. The school that raises the most funds per student capita, wins the charity award in a given academic year.



Annual State Leadership Conference: All students are encouraged to apply to attend! February/March (\$350)

Each year, students from around the State gather in the late winter to connect and build on leadership skills. From new students to those who have attended before this event offers a variety of opportunities to connect with students from around the State of Michigan, collaborate in diverse settings on leadership initiatives, create memories with their own teams and new ones, and share/recognize the hard work Student Councils do all year long. (**Please see letter of interest attachment if you have an interest in attending this conference**)

Recognition & Awards

Each year, Kettering Student Council & Leadership Teams participate by submitting a series of awards which are recognized at the State Conference. They include:

- Award of Excellence: State's Top Honor! (Kettering has won 8 consecutive: 2016, 2017, 2018, 2019, 2020, 2021, 2022, 2023, 2024, 2025)
- Exceptional Service Project: (Kettering has submitted one each year since 2014) Top project that serves the school or community
- Unsung Hero: Executive Board members recognize a leader who contributes highly to our team, but is not often recognized for it.
- Star School: For those schools that are highly involved in the organization (2016-present)
- Donate to Charity of the Year (Charity Week Proceeds)
- Regional Connect Host (apply and/or host, attend)
- Board of Delegate Candidate(s): We encourage all students in grades 9-11 to run for Board of Delegates! Ask a member how/why!



Leadership Camp: July (mid-to-late July @ Albion College)

Students in grades 9-11 are encouraged to attend a week-long life-changing experience in Leadership Camp. Here, you will connect with friends in schools from across the state of Michigan to learn about yourself, your personal growth and how to grow with other leaders. The mission at the Michigan Summer Leadership Camp is to grow community-minded, self-starting student leaders. We recognize that across the state, students who will take advantage of this opportunity will learn about it from different avenues. Ask current leadership members about camp today!

Students who elect to attend camp are required to apply for scholarship opportunities through the MASC/MAHS website. Scholarships award student attendees with funds to support attending camp.

