

NASSCED Member Resource Survey 2010

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State Represented *	Ohio
Organization Represented *	Ohio Association of Student Councils
Executive Director #1 *	John Namey
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Executive Director #2	Connie Miley
Executive Director #3	Jeff Jostpille
Approximate Number of Member Schools *	250
Annual Membership Fee	\$50.00 is our regular fee ... but you can also join for \$100.00 or \$150.00 or \$200.00
Does your membership elect State Officer...	Students/Individuals
Please describe how your association selects its State Officers/Schools:	Starting January 1 ... students write to the OASC office and requests a "State Representative" packet. Then, at our annual State Conference ... students are elected by the member schools in attendance ... 4 high school reps and 2 middle level reps ... the kids serve a one year term. Adult Board members are also elected ... depending on the ending of their 4 year term.
Which best describes the sponsorship (if any) of your association?	Affiliated with your State Principals Association
Is the Executive Director of your association a full-time position?	No – with a stipend
Does your association currently have 501(c)3 non-profit status?	Yes – as a stand alone organization
State Convention 2010–2011 date	April 28, 29, 30, 2011
For your State Convention, how are students primarily housed?	Host Families

For your State Convention, what is your primary meeting facility?	School Building
Please identify and describe a unique or outstanding aspect of your State Convention.	Our State Conference started in 1953 ... over the years it has evolved like most state conferences. Keynote speaker is always rated high. Our "Dinner/Dance" is always high. And the student led discussion groups usually are well done.
Other Conference/Event #1, with 2010–2011 date	Summer Workshops – July 10–14 (A program for HS and ML)
Other Conference/Event #2, with 2010–2011 date	Summer Workshops – July 17–21 (A program for HS and ML)
Other Conference/Event #3, with 2010–2011 date	Summer Workshops – July 24–28 (A program for HS and ML)
Please identify and describe a unique or outstanding aspect of one of the three events listed above.	<p>Our Summer Workshops started in 1958 ... created by Earl Reum ... the general format has not changed very much because it is so highly effective. Our Summer Workshops are life-changing for many of our delegates.</p> <p>The programs allow kids to learn while doing ... creating friendships as they learn the qualities of leadership.</p>
Does your association currently include middle level schools as members?	Yes
As State Officers?	YES
As Regional or District Officers, within your state?	Not applicable
At the same state Conventions or Conferences?	YES
At their own state Conventions or Conferences?	NO
At Regional conferences?	YES
At NASC L.E.A.D. Conferences?	YES

At NASC National Conferences?	YES
In the same award programs as high schools?	YES
In their own award programs?	NO
Does your association conduct a summer leadership program?	YES
If your answer above was YES, please list below the name and summer 2011 date (if known) for each of your summer programs:	See above ,, 3weeks ... in July
What is the fee per delegate for your summer program?	\$250.00
Have a separate advanced level program?	YES
Have a separate middle level program?	YES
Serve as a prerequisite to becoming a State Officer?	NO
Award/Program #1 Description:	We honor student councils with our Honor Council Award. It recognizes the work the council does over the course of the year. Schools submit a notebook/scrapbook that follows a list of requirements the OASC Board decided are things an outstanding council does over the course of the year.
Award/Program #2 Description:	ALL OHIO Student Council Award. This recognizes the individual efforts of council members. Member schools submit their nominees and list their contributions.
Award/Program #3 Description:	Army of Volunteers Award seeks to honor councils that do service work for their school and community. Councils will apply for this award by submitting their project(s) for consideration.
How does your association deal with the issue of advisor turnover?	We don't. I can't think how we can. Advisors are placed in the position because "we need someone, anyone." We have no control over how people are placed into the advisor position.

What is another significant problem currently facing your association, and how are you dealing with it? Membership is getting lower every year. With the demands of teachers needing their master's for their state license within 10 years of first becoming a teacher ... it is harder and harder to keep advisors ... thus keeping schools as members.

What advice do you have for someone who has just become a new Executive Director? Set your goals ... and objectives to reach those goals. Do not be afraid to fail ... just make sure every failure is a learning experience that you can apply as you evaluate and move on. TAKE time to love and enjoy EVERY minute. Don't get caught up in doing too much ... ENJOY the MOMENTS.
