

NASSCED Member Resource Survey 2010

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PART 1 – About Your Association

State Represented *	Wisconsin
Organization Represented *	Wisconsin Association of Student Councils
Executive Director #1 *	Michelle McGrath
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Executive Director #2	
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Executive Director #4	
Approximate Number of Member Schools *	300
Annual Membership Fee	\$90
Does your membership elect State Officer...	Students/Individuals
Please describe how your association selects its State Officers/Schools:	Election process at State Conference for Regional Officers (speeches) Those elected as Regional Presidents can then run at the May Governing Board meeting for the State President/Vice-President positions.
Which best describes the sponsorship (if any) of your association?	Subsidiary of your State Department of Education
Is the Executive Director of your association a full-time position?	Yes
Does your association currently have 501(c)3 non-profit status?	Yes – through parent/sponsor organization

PART 2 – About Your Conferences

State Convention 2010–2011 date	SHS – May 7/8 JAM – May 1/2 Elementary – Feb. 28th
For your State Convention, how are students primarily housed?	Hotel
For your State Convention, what is your primary meeting facility?	Hotel
Please identify and describe a unique or outstanding aspect of your State Convention.	We have a large banquet and award friends of the association, principals, advisors, and students.
Other Conference/Event #1, with 2010–2011 date	Leadership Institute – Oct 17–18

Other Conference/Event #2, with 2010–2011 date	IGNITE – March 3
Other Conference/Event #3, with 2010–2011 date	High Impact Leadership – June 15–17
Please identify and describe a unique or outstanding aspect of one of the three events listed above.	IGNITE is jointly planned with the principals association, athletic directors association, etc. and is for schools to bring a team of leaders not just student council. High Impact Leadership is a 3 day graduate course/conference for advisors, coaches, and educators centered around developing leadership in self and students and incorporating 21st Century Skills.

PART 3 – Middle Level

Does your association currently include middle level schools as members?	Yes
As State Officers?	YES
As Regional or District Officers, within your state?	YES
At the same state Conventions or Conferences?	YES
At their own state Conventions or Conferences?	YES
At Regional conferences?	YES
At NASC L.E.A.D. Conferences?	
At NASC National Conferences?	YES
In the same award programs as high schools?	NO
In their own award programs?	YES

PART 4 – Summer Leadership Programs

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:	MS Camp – Level 1 – July 17–21 and July 31 – Aug 4 MS Camp – Level 2 – June 19–23 MS Camp – Level 2.5 – June 19–23 HS Camp – Level 3 – July 10–14 HS Camp – Level 4 – July 24–28 HS Camp – Level 5 – July 24–28
What is the fee per delegate for your summer program?	\$350.00
Have a separate advanced level program?	YES

Have a separate middle level program?	YES
Serve as a prerequisite to becoming a State Officer?	NO

PART 5 – About Your Awards/ Programs

Award/Program #1 Description:	SHS Spirit of Excellence Award – for schools demonstrating excellence in LEadership Development, Service, and Sportsmanship/Spirit. This is a portfolio based application. There are 6 regional recipients and 1 state recipieint. The state recipient receives a banner, trophy, assembly that is taped and produced into a 3 minute vignette that is televised state-wide during the Boys State Basketball Tournament. The award winners are also given their formal award on the court at half-time of the Milwaukee Bucks Basketball Game. Plus a lot of other cool stuff :)
Award/Program #2 Description:	MS Spirit of Excellence Award – for schools demonstrating excellence in Leadership Development, Service, and Sportsmanship/Spirit. This is a portfolio based application. There are 6 regional recipients and 1 state recipieint. The state recipient receives a banner, trophy, assembly that is taped and produced into a 3 minute vignette that is televised state-wide during the Boys State Basketball Tournament. The award winners are also given their formal award on the court at half-time of the Milwaukee Bucks Basketball Game. Plus a lot of other cool stuff :)
Award/Program #3 Description:	Advisor of the Year – each Region selects an Advisor of the Year. These advisors are celebrated at state conference.

PART 6 – About Your Problems

How does your association deal with the issue of advisor turnover?	Always a hard thing...try to work with principals to keep the advisors in the loop.
What is another significant problem currently facing your association, and how are you dealing with it?	Schools don't have any money...have to chose just one event when they used to come to many! How to face those facts.
What advice do you have for someone who has just become a new Executive Director?	Relationships, relationships, relationships. I truly believe one of the reasons we have continued to grow our programs in the face of economic crisis is because of the partnership we have established through the relationships I've solidified with Rotary, WIAA, principals, athletics Directors, teachers union, PTA, etc.

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