North Carolina Association of Student Councils, Inc.



New Advisor? If you are a newly appointed student council advisor or if this mailing was addressed to Student Council Advisor, please let us know. Send an email with your school name, your name and email to the Executive Director, colbycochran53@gmail.com. All mailings and emails are sent to the advisor of record. Please visit our website for more information on NCASC. We're here to serve you!

NCASC is

the official association for middle and high school student councils in North Carolina.

with a mission to

- promote the establishment and maintenance of effective student councils in the state
- enhance student leadership development and adviser training for student leaders and all student activity and club advisers

by providing

- opportunities for students to positively impact their peers, school, districts, and communities.
- leadership training opportunities at the district, state, regional, and national levels.
- experiences and new ideas to improve student activities, school culture, and climate.
- networking opportunities for student leaders and advisers.



An invitation to join NCASC

Membership is open to **ALL** middle and high schools in North Carolina - public, charter, private. NCASC is a diverse association.

Benefits of being an NCASC member school:

- A welcome packet membership certificate and a leadership book.
- Reduced registration fees for workshops, conventions, conferences.
- Eligibility to vote and to hold district and state offices.
- Additional leadership training for student officers
- Eligibility to earn Honor Council status and student recognitions.
- Professional training for all student activity and club advisers.
- Electronic newsletters and email updates.
- Access to the members only section of the Association website.

Dues are \$95.00 for 2023-2024. And, it is easy to join!

Just complete the online membership form and send a check.

Visit our website to learn more about your state association.

Did you know?

North Carolina General Statutes encourage Student Councils.

§ 115C-81.50. Student councils.

All high schools and middle schools shall be encouraged to have elected student councils through which students have input into policies and decisions that affect them.

All other schools are encouraged to have student councils.

The purpose of these student councils is to build civic skills and attitudes such as participation in elections, discussion and debate of issues, and collaborative decision making. Schools shall encourage active, broad-based participation in these student councils. (2017-126, s. 5.)

2023-2024 State ~ Region ~ National Leadership Opportunities

Victory Junction Run to Victory
Eastern District Leadership Conference
Central District Leadership Conference
Emerging Leaders Conference

Western District Leadership Conference

Southern Association of Student Councils Conference

National Conference on Student Activities *
Adviser Advance Workshop *

Victory Junction Tour / Workday State Convention

National VISION Conference Summer Leadership Workshop September 9, 2023 September 23, 2023 October 21, 2023 October 28-29, 2023 November 18, 2023 October 14-16, 2023 * December 1-3, 2023 * February 2-3, 2024 February 10, 2024

March 15-17, 2024

July 8-12, 2024

TBD

Victory Junction
Rocky Mount High School
Massey Hill Classical High School
Betsy-Jeff Penn 4-H Center
Marvin Ridge Middle School
Chapin High School
Marriott Downtown
Victory Junction
Carolina Hotel
Sun Valley High School

Pinehurst, NC pol Indian Trail, NC

Mars Hill, NC

*Advisers Only Event

Randleman, NC

Rocky Mount, NC

Fayetteville, NC

Reidsville, NC

Waxhaw, NC

San Francisco, CA

Randleman, NC

Chapin, SC



Emerging Leaders Conference



District Conferences



State Convention



Summer Workshop

Featured State Events

Mars Hill University

Emerging Leaders Conference

The ELC is a way to get the year off to a great start. ELC is open to students from grades 6 to 9. A great orientation experience for high school freshmen!

District Conferences

District conferences are open to all schools, member or non-member. The host school plans an exciting day of speakers, skillshops, idea sharing, and more. Pick the location and date that works for your school.

Victory Junction Tour / Community Service

The folks at Victory Junction invite NCASC member schools to spend at day at camp. Take a guided tour of the facility and learn what VJ is all about. Check out the difference our donations make for our State Charity!

State Convention

Held in the spring and hosted by the president school, this three-day event provides the culminating experience for the student council year. Exciting speakers, workshops, recognition of community service, awards, the election of new officer schools and networking are highlights of the weekend.

Summer Workshop

The workshop, held at Mars Hill University, is the main leadership training experience provided by the association. Students are divided into councils and during workshop they experience a year of "council life". Communication, decision making, cooperation, and project planning skills are emphasized along with personal growth. An adviser program is held in conjunction with the student program. CEU credits are awarded for this event.

All Adviser Advance Workshop

The Adviser's Workshop brings together ALL advisers of student clubs and organizations. It's not just for Student Council advisers. Bring some friends and enjoy a relaxing, professional experience! A consultant brings new ideas/activities to the meeting. CEU credits are awarded for this event.

Make plans to participate in all NCASC events!

First as a high school principal, then as a superintendent, I found NCASC to be an incredible support system for our Student Councils. As a parent, I watched my daughter have wonderful experiences through her involvement with NCASC.

I would highly recommend all superintendents to encourage their principals to affiliate.

Dr. Bill Harrison

Past Chairman NC State Board of Education

Former Superintendent Alamance-Burlington Schools

Former Superintendent Cumberland County Schools

NCASC is an amazing organization where students of all backgrounds can join together and better our state. This organization also shows our youth that no matter what life puts before you, you're always prepared for it...even if you don't think you are!

Tatianna, Student Seventy-First High School

2023-2024 Theme —

Participation in NCASC events allows student leaders and advisors to share their best "plays" while also getting awesome ideas from other schools' student leaders and advisors.

Get off the bench and onto the field this year! We need you on our team!



Summer Workshop

The

Leadership Plaubook

"Our involvement in the NCASC has not only changed my and many of our council member's lives, but it has changed how our council functions as a whole. We strive to make bigger and better differences in our own school, community, and state. The NCASC provides us with so many amazing resources, unique opportunities, and lasting memories."

Alex, Student Leader Marvin Ridge High School

"The NCASC experiences are as invigorating for advisers as for students. We receive our own training and experience activities we can take back to our councils.

Most importantly, we get access to each other --the advice and wisdom from other advisers who have
"been there, done that' is invaluable."

Cynthia, Adviser **Cumberland Polytechnic High School**

My involvement in the NCASC has not only benefited my home council greatly by providing the necessary tools to take us to that next level in leadership, but also myself as an individual leader. Serving as a JC for the Summer Workshop helped me realize that my own potential is much higher than I thought and the power that my leadership has on others.

Nazirah, Graduate & JC Central Academy of Technology & Arts

Union County Public Schools



Victory Junction Day



Adviser Advance Workshop

participation in student activities

reduces dropout rates

increases standardized test scores

boosts GPAs college and career success develops social and emotional skills leads students to make better choices













Leadership Resources

National Association of Student Councils



www.nasc.us



Southern Association of Student Councils

www.scascschools.com



Cruisin' with Leadership October 14-16, 2023 Chapin, South Carolina

The National Conference on Student Activities





www.NA4SA.org

The Alliance for Student Activities

WELCOME TO THE ALLIANCE FOR STUDENT ACTIVITIES

Advocacy, Training, Resources, and Networking to Promote the Value of Student Activities The Alliance for Student Activities provides compelling information about the importance of student activities in:

- improving school culture and climate,
- lowering the dropout rate,
- increasing standardized test scores.

www.alliance4studentactivities.org



Built in honor of Adam Petty, Victory Junction provides life-changing experiences for children with chronic medical conditions or serious illnesses. Victory Junction serves 24 chronic medical conditions and serious illnesses such as, but not limited to, Autism, Cancer, Craniofacial Anomalies, Diabetes, Hemophilia, Sickle Cell and Spina Bifida.

The cumulative total for NCASC donations to Victory Junction is

\$325,000.00

...but let's do MORE!

The NCASC has a long history of charitable involvement with a variety of deserving events, causes, and organizations. Fifteen years ago, after thoughtful consideration, the association named Victory Junction Camp as the official focus for its charitable efforts. Since that time, association members have donated a total of \$325,000. The First Vice-President School is responsible for coordinating the efforts of the NCASC. Schools may use any type of fundraising project/activity to raise funds for Victory Junction. Member schools may also participate **NCASC** in tour/ workday at the camp.

Send donations directly to Victory Junction.

Victory Junction 4500 Adam's Way Randleman, NC 27317

Please be sure to indicate that your donation is part of the NCASC effort to raise money for VJ. There is a place on the NCASC website to officially record your donation and project effort.

Mark **February 10, 2024** on your calendar. It's the date for our VJ Tour/Workday.