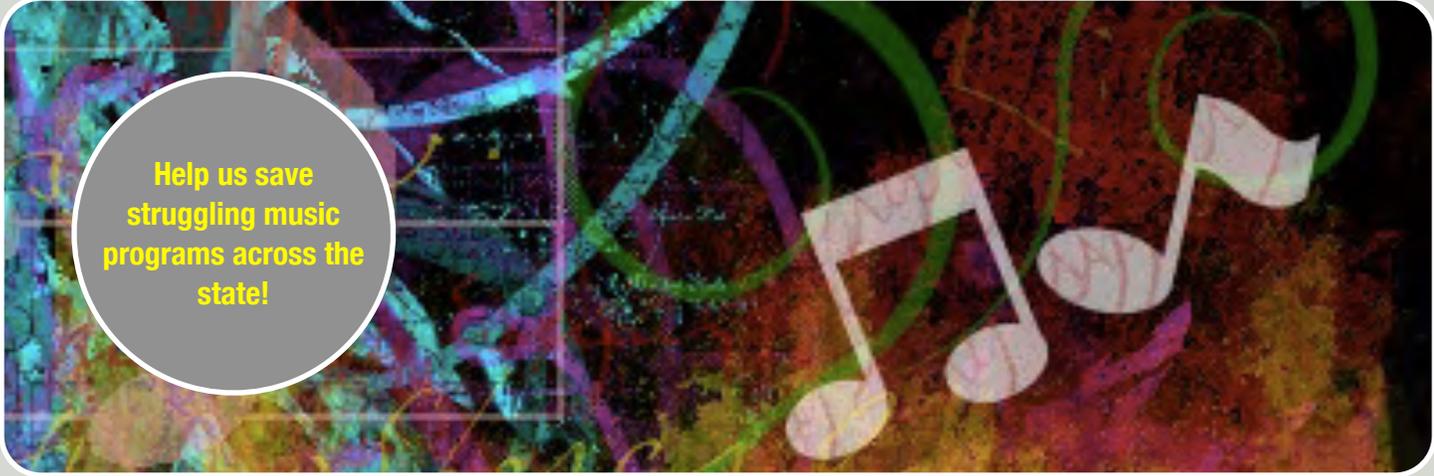


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Help us save
struggling music
programs across the
state!

YOU CAN'T STOP THE BEAT!

This year's state service project will be all about saving the music programs across the state. Read more to learn how your council can contribute!

Through this service project, MASC schools will work together in an effort to expand the funding for school music programs; large and small, community to community, across the state of Minnesota.

Unfortunately, the current economic recession has negatively impacted many schools' capability to support their fine arts programs despite the undisputed impact the arts have on the life of a child. The goal of our efforts is to aid schools in sustaining or growing music programs.

The service project will encourage the creativity of all MASC schools across the state! We are asking your student council to develop a fundraising activity, or use one you already have in place, to raise money to support music programs. Money generated by your council can be donated at your discretion. If your district does not have a music program in need of funding support or if you are looking for a way to give on a broader level, the MASC Executive Board would like you to be aware (continued on page 2)



OUR PARTNERS



Easy Ways to Fundraise:

- Battle of the Bands
- Pass the Hat at concerts
- Stop the Bop
- Singing Grams
- Minute Drives

of The Minnesota Beatles Project.

The Minnesota Beatles Project is overseen by MMEA, Minnesota Music Educators Association, and promotes school music programs by selling Beatles cover music performed by local Minnesotan artists. These songs can be purchased in stores, online and on iTunes. By donating to the Minnesota Beatles Project, student councils can reach out to less fortunate communities and help stimulate state-wide growth. To donate to the Minnesota Beatles Project, please send your donation to the MASC office and we will present one large donation to MMEA.

Whether you donate on a local level or to the Minnesota Beatles Project, we are requesting that

the total amount of money raised by each school be reported to MASC. Information on how to report your totals will be distributed with State 2010 information. All of the money donated by MASC schools will be tabulated and announced at the state convention in April. As the executive committee, we really appreciate your support on this endeavor. MASC schools have a rich history of excellent leadership so we are confident we will all work together to make this service project a huge state-wide success.

-MASC Executive Committee
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JAMMIN' TO LEADERSHIP UPDATE



MN STATE STUD CO CONVENTION

April is fast approaching, and that means the Executive Committee is busy planning this year's convention. It is going to be an amazing weekend! Here are a few things you need to remember.

March 4- Hot Topics due

Advisor of the Year nominations due

Administrator of the Year nominations due

Officer of the Year nominations due

March 18- State Officer Nominations due

Also, three members of your school council are allowed to attend the State Convention. So submit your registration as soon as possible because SPACE IS LIMITED! Keep in mind that students also have the opportunity to present a round table at the state convention.

WHAT'S UP MINNESOTA?

“X the TXT”

Recently our advisor introduced the “X the TXT” campaign to us. Our council decided it was a worthy message to relay to the rest of our student body. X the TXT is a national campaign which was started in 2009 by Channel One and the Allstate Foundation with the intention of raising awareness about the dangers of texting and driving, and encourage both teens and adults not to text while driving. Our goal is to have one hundred percent of our school's staff and students take the pledge during pledge week of February 7th to the 13th. This pledge week is a competition amongst registered schools which we hope to win. In return for having the highest percentage of people pledge from a school Channel One offers a \$10,000 grant, a Channel One taping and a private concert put on by

Ashley Huff. All that plus the promise of safer drivers was an opportunity we couldn't pass up. During pledge week we will get our school excited and pledging by having an assembly to inform students and staff alike of the remarkable opportunity this offers for our school and community, and to introduce them the X the TXT idea. A local law enforcement officer will come to share some of his experiences involving one of the most dangerous distractions for teen drivers: texting. On the final day of pledge week those who pledged will be encouraged to wear an X, whether it be a homemade shirt or tape, to show their support for our school.

This is going to be an exciting and eye opening week that will



hopefully enlighten students about the consequences that can occur from such a simple distraction. It is a great program and is highly recommended to be incorporated into your school in the coming years.

For more information visit www.facebook.com/XtheText or www.channelone.com/xthetext

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Let MASC know what your council is up to! Email Jon Melgaard and tell him any exciting events or ideas that your council has sponsored and he will include them in the next newsletter!

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