Student Leadership Academy
Participant Guide

Maryland Hill Day

Maryland State House of Delegates
6 Bladen St.
Annapolis, MD 21401

For questions, comments, or concerns regarding the Hill Day, please contact co-chairs:

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MAR-AMTA 2020 STUDENT LEADERSHIP ACADEMY

PURPOSE STATEMENT

Every year the Mid-Atlantic Regional Music Therapy Conference coordinates a Student Leadership Academy. This allows the Mid-Atlantic Region university music therapy students an opportunity to learn and service the profession in various capacities. This year the Student Leadership Academy will be a “Hill Day” with an Advocacy Breakfast and Training prior to conference. The goal is for students to gain valuable experiences and knowledge, through learning how to advocate for state recognition by meeting with legislators and their office staff. The Training will be through “Free Conference Call” on Thursday, March 12, 2020 at 7:30pm-9:00pm. The Hill Day and Advocacy Breakfast will take place at the House Office Building in Annapolis, Maryland on Thursday, March 19, 2020 between 8am to 11:30am.

Each school is required to prepare an information board about music therapy ahead of time. One client population will be assigned to each school. These information boards will be displayed during the Advocacy Breakfast. Several students will be assigned to participate in the Advocacy Breakfast, while other students will be assigned to make legislators visits with the professionals participating in the Hill Day.

During the Hill Day students will meet the Student Leadership Academy Co-Chairs, Tatyana Martin and Elizabeth Smith at 8am in the house building to check-in before doing the Advocacy Breakfast and making legislator visits. At this time, all students must bring signed the professionalism agreement and photography consent. These forms are included in this document. Students should present themselves in a professional manner throughout the entire project. Enjoy every moment of this opportunity! Please contact Tatyana Martin MT-BC and Elizabeth Smith, MT-BC for further questions or concerns.

Best Regards,

Tatyana Martin MT-BC & Elizabeth Smith, MT-BC

Co-Chairs, Student Leadership Academy

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Hotels/Air BnB Available* in Annapolis:

Call time for the Student Leadership Academy is 8:00 AM - It is highly recommended that if you’re traveling from out of state, that you acquire hotel/Air-BnB accommodations within the Annapolis area in order to reduce driving and overall conference hotel prices.

*Please note that the Student Leadership Academy is not responsible for reserving, booking, or compensating rooms for any participants. Availability and room rates at each location is subject to change per place.

Hotels:

SpringHill Suites by Marriot, Annapolis ($$$)
189 Admiral Cochrane Dr. Annapolis MD, 21401

The Westin Annapolis ($$$)
100 Westgate Circle, Annapolis MD, 21401

The Annapolis Inn ($$$$)
144 Prince George St. Annapolis, MD 21401

The Annapolis Waterfront Hotel ($$$)
80 Compromise St. Annapolis, MD 21401

Hilton Garden Inn ($$)
174 West St. Annapolis, MD 21401

Hotel Annapolis ($$$)
126 West St. Annapolis, MD 21401

Air BnB:
Please follow the link below to check out availability in the area.

Annapolis Air BnB - Click Here!

Or

https://www.airbnb.com/s/Annapolis--MD--United-States/homes?adults=1&children=0&checkin=2020-03-18&checkout=2020-03-19&source=mc_search_bar&refinement_paths%5B%5D=%2Fhomes&place_id=ChIJ1S9ncGX2t4kRSyeo0_1U-EM
Recommended Parking & Transportation

It's highly recommended that participants in the Student Leadership Academy use the off-site parking at the Navy Marine Corp Stadium, 550 Taylor Ave Annapolis, MD 21401 for $5 per car. Bus scheduled and shuttle routes are priced for a one or two-way trip, or complimentary pending the route.

- Parking at the Navy-Marine Corps Memorial Stadium is $5.
  550 Taylor Ave Annapolis, MD 21401

Annapolis Transportation:
*Shuttle Runs: Monday - Friday 6:30 a.m. to 8 p.m.

Annapolis Transit operates a shuttle from the Navy-Marine Corps Memorial Stadium to the Central Business District. The shuttle runs approximately every 20 minutes (House Building is one of the stops) requires a bus fare to be able to ride.

Shuttle Fare:
- One-way ticket regular fare: $2
- Student (with student ID): $1

(Note: *Senior / Disabled / Medicare Card Holders with valid photo identification: $1
  *State employees must show a valid State issued identification card in lieu of fare.
  *Children 5 years old and under ride for free (up to 3 children with a paying adult.)

Route:
- Navy Marine Corp Stadium (Get on here)
- Herbert Sachs Drive
- N.W. Street at the State Buildings
- Church Circle at the Circuit Court House (Get off here, walk to 6 Bladen Street.)
- Church Circle at School Street
- College Avenue at Lawyer’s Mall
- Calvert Street
Where Should I Park?

Downtown Annapolis can be difficult to find parking. Most parking is street-side, or with small garages and lots offered off the town center which are subject to a parking fee at an hourly rate.

The town does provide public transportation by way of shuttle or bus to and from locations around town. Pending weather, downtown Annapolis is a great tourist destination lined with local businesses who thrive from foot-traffic. [See above “Recommended Parking & Transportation”].
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PROFESSIONALISM AGREEMENT

In consideration of the opportunity to participate in advocacy for state recognition through the MAR-AMTA Student Leadership Academy, I understand and accept the following conditions:

A) **Commitment to the Profession:** I agree to demonstrate my commitment to excellence in being prepared and displaying professional behavior. I will demonstrate my commitment to the field of music therapy, fellow students, professionals, legislators, and legislative staff. I will demonstrate dependability, I will complete tasks as assigned, and I will exercise punctuality.

B) **Professional Communication:** I agree to interact and communicate in a positive and professional manner with all people I encounter throughout the project. This includes interactions in person and through social media.

C) **Collaboration:** I agree to collaborate, contribute to group efforts, and show respect to others.

D) **Commitment to Growth:** I agree to be open to receiving and provide feedback, as well as be flexible with others.

E) **Commitment to Safety:** I agree to act in a safe and responsible manner, avoiding any action that might put others or myself at risk for physical or emotional harm during the experience.

F) **Legal and Ethical Conduct:** I agree to uphold the code of ethics, while maintaining respectful behavior in line with governing agencies, associations, and law.

Name: ________________________________

Signature: ____________________________  Date: _________
I, (print name) ________________________________, hereby grant permission for any photographs and/or digital images of me can be used for news releases and/or educational materials. These materials might include printed or electronic publications, web sites or other electronic communications. I further agree that my name and identity may be revealed in descriptive text or commentary in connection with the image(s). I authorize the use of these images without compensation to me.

I, (print name) ________________________________, do not wish to be photographed at this event.

Signature: ________________________________ Date: ______________
FAQs

**What should I wear?**
All participants in this event should be dressed professionally with a business-appropriate attire. Please no jeans, graphic t-shirts, leggings (unless appropriately covered by a dress, or tunic), spaghetti straps, or anything with holes or tears.

**What should I bring?**
To enter the building, you may need a valid form of picture ID. Please be sure that you bring an ID (ex. driver’s license, state-issued ID card), a signed copy of the photography consent and professionalism agreement, and any other personal items you may need for the duration of this event. The House of Delegates, and Student Leadership Academy will not be responsible for any misplaced items.

**What if I forget my photography consent and professional agreement?**
We will have limited copies available for both forms the morning of the Hill Day for those who may need them at Registration. Please be sure to bring the forms with you to this event.

**Is breakfast included for me?**
Breakfast is intended for the legislators and office staff within the House. Please be mindful that the breakfast is being offered to bring legislators in to learning more about Music Therapy, therefore the breakfast tables will not be open for “picking” and/or “grazing”.

**What are we serving?**
While we’re currently working on receiving in-kind donations from local area businesses, the breakfast available is currently aimed to be continental. Items pending are including but not limited to coffee, water, breakfast juices, bagels, assorted pastries, and assorted fruits.

**Is lunch included?**
Lunch is not included.

**If you need a break:**
Breaks can be taken in agreement with other members within a group and/or station. Please use restroom facilities between meeting with legislators or when your station is covered by another within your group.
FAQs continued...

I'd like to attend the opening ceremony at Conference, when should I leave?
The House of Delegates are about 1 hour to 1:15 away from the Cambridge location. To accommodate for travel time, we recommend leaving the House of Delegates no later than 11:30 AM in order to arrive for the opening ceremony for students. Please allow time for travel, accordingly, please note that pending traffic you may be missing the beginning portion of the Opening Ceremony.

I'd like to write a letter to delegates while I'm there - who can I give letters to?
We strongly encourage writing letters to delegates and senators while attending this event! If you prefer to write a letter, or express your thanks for meeting, materials will be available at a writing station. Letters that will be collected by the Maryland Music Therapy State Task Force and delivered to the legislators.