

ALABAMA SCHOOL OF MATHEMATICS & SCIENCE

PARENT ASSOCIATION

The mission of the ASMS Parent Association is to support the educational goals of the school, facilitate communication between families and staff, and provide a warm and inviting social environment for community members. All parents are welcomed and encouraged to join.

The recent legislative changes coupled with the momentum in the Development Department, make this is an exciting time for ASMS. In light of this, the Parent Association is being restructured in order to better engage parents and support the school's expansion. Some of the changes we expect to see in the Parent Association are below. Please indicate if you are willing to chair or serve on any of the following committees. We encourage you to indicate multiple areas. Additionally, we welcome and encourage feedback. Please forward feedback to Stasia Dunlop audunlop@gmail.com or Vivian Dorsey vdorsey@asms.net.

Parent Association Executive Committee - President, Vice-President, Past-President, Secretary/Treasurer. May be required to also chair a committee.

Area Representative - Facilitates community building with area parents and opens a dialogue with parents to discuss and share any suggestions or concerns. Hosts summer Meet & Greet for returning and incoming students and parents. Throughout the year, Area Representatives contact their 'constituents' either individually or in a group and encourage the parents to voice their concerns or suggestions. (How are things going? Private concerns? Ideas to consider implementing?). There may be multiple Area Representatives in each region. The Area Representative with seniority leads.

Hall Parent -

Organizes hall dinners/
social events every 4 to 6
weeks. Communicates with
parents of other students on the hall
and encourage the parents to voice their
concerns or suggestions. There may be
multiple Hall Parent on each hall. The Hall Parent with
seniority leads. Use of a volunteer sign-up application
such as Sign-up Genius is extremely helpful in this role.

Sponsorship/Advancement Committee - Seeks to promote programs enlisting the the financial support of parents and parent related resources. Organizes parent association fundraisers. Implements program to assist and encourage parents in reaching out to possible corporate or major donors in their community. Liaise with Development.

Volunteerism Committee - Mobilizes parents to be involved in ASMS. Organizes parent volunteers to meet the needs of ASMS and ASMS Events. Use of a volunteer sign-up application such as Sign-up Genius is extremely helpful in this role. Liaise with Student Services and Development.

Communication Committee - Facilitates and enhances communication between ASMS parents and staff, keeping parents informed and involved. Notifies parents of important school information. Implements a method of communication to reach parents. Facilitates inclusion of distance parents in Parent Association meetings (webinar format?). Facilitates event photography. Liaise with Student Services, Development, and Academic counselors.

Legislative Committee - Encourage parents to communicate with their local legislators to facilitate positive public awareness and legislative changes. Liaise with Development.