

**MARYLAND SCHOOL NUTRITION ASSOCIATION
DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES OF
SPECIFIC EXECUTIVE BOARD COMMITTEE**

Legislative, State

Purpose – To monitor State legislation and to react appropriately.

Responsibilities:

1. Establish lines of communication with the members of the Maryland General Assembly.
2. Keep membership informed through legislative reports of current issues and pending legislation through articles in newsletter, communications network, written memorandums and emails to local chapter Legislative Committee Chairpersons.
3. Act on legislative matters in accordance with the mission of the Association and Board directive, based on communications received pertaining to actions of the Maryland General Assembly.
4. Committee consists of Chapter Legislative Chairpersons, the Executive Board members, and any other persons appointed to/or asked to serve for a specific project.

Activities:

1. Maintain a communications network with the membership to facilitate effective lobbying.
2. Make presentations to affiliated chapters to broaden the base of support for legislative activities.
3. Keep current on legislative proposals in the Maryland General Assembly that would affect child nutrition programs or employees such as pension reform and take action to inform State legislators on the probable impact of their proposals.
4. Obtain written data on Child Nutrition Program participation and funding from the Maryland State Department of Education and local directors to distribute to the members of the Maryland General Assembly.
5. Communicate frequently with Maryland State Delegates on Child Nutrition issues so that our opinions will be considered valuable to them.
6. Keep allied professional organizations aware of issues facing Child Nutrition Programs and their potential impact on Maryland students.

7. Maintain affiliation with allied professional organizations to attain more support for mutual concerns.
8. Work with advocate groups toward common goals.