

Advocacy Newsletter

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This is the final advocacy update for the school year. We're all in the home stretch! I hope you all enjoy your end of year performances and activities. Keep in touch! ahairston.mcea@gmail.com



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Highlights

<p><u>NAFME National Assembly</u></p> <p>The NAFME National Assembly is coming back to VA & Capitol Hill this June! This special event includes Hill Day, when we will meet with our congressional representatives to thank them for their support of music education, encourage continued support of education legislation and create connections between national leadership and working educators.</p>	<p><u>Music In Our Schools Month Recap</u></p> <p>What did your school/county do to celebrate Music In Our Schools Month? We would love to hear about your activities- performances, special notes or letters, advocacy actions, etc. Take a look at some of the activities from around the country: Music In Our Schools Month</p>
<p><u>Advocacy Leadership Force</u></p> <p>Our spring meetings included updates regarding NAFME's support of teachers who have been impacted by Divisive Concept Laws.</p> <p>—</p> <p>Divisive Concepts Laws Report Parents Bill of Rights - Full Resolution Opportunity to Learn Standards</p>	<p><u>MMEA & Advocacy- 2023-2024</u></p> <p>This will be my final newsletter as Advocacy Chair. I'm looking forward to my new role beginning in July, but I'm excited to see what we can do as a team in Maryland to continue to elevate our advocacy practices.</p> <p>If you would like to get involved in advocacy through MMEA, please email an executive board member or your component presidents. Thanks so much!</p> <p>MMEA Board & Staff</p>

<p>Music Ed Podcasts!</p> <p>Music EdQuity Chat Show Bi-Cons of Music Education The Music Education Advocate (NAfME)</p>

