



In 1970, a group of courageous Mexican-American School Board Members founded an organization (MASBA) to serve as an advocate for minority children during the transition of the civil rights era and see to it that these children were not taken advantage of through legislation, governance, policy or regulation in order to comply with the desegregation of the nation's public school system.

Today, 40 years later, MASBA honors the legacy of our founders and we stand united to provide leadership, vision and support for a growing number of school board members that represent school districts with demographic profiles represented by a large number of Mexican-American students.

School districts are challenged with this unprecedented growth and in many cases lack the understanding and resources associated with ensuring the most appropriate and effective curriculum implementation, as it directly relates to the Mexican-American culture. MASBA understands these challenges and assists school board districts as a whole, or as individuals, to present, discuss and promote the advancement and relevance of the Mexican-American culture in your district; and, its impact on your local education system.

Moreover, as an organization MASBA is committed to help school board members come together to find solutions, discuss legislature and current affairs as it relates to education and the Mexican-American culture. Additionally, MASBA is a proactive organization introducing policy and programs on a state level which ultimately may affect your district.

Enclosed with this letter is an invoice for membership in the Mexican American School Board Association. This invoice is being sent if: a) your district has held previous membership; b) a board member or administrator from your district has attended the MASBA Annual Conference or function; or, c) a request by your district has been made to be invoiced. If your district is not interested in becoming a member, please disregard this invoice. However, I encourage you to pass along this information to your individual school board members who may be interested in all MASBA has to offer.

For additional information, please visit us online at www.MASBA.info. I am also available to assist you in anyway I can.

Yours truly,
Manuel Rodriguez, Jr.
President, MASBA Board of Directors
Houston Independent School District Board of Trustees

Attachments: Invoice and membership form.

“Our Future is in the Education of Our Children, let's do it Right”



Mexican American School Board Association Membership Form
Annual Membership Dues for School Year: Sept. 1, 2010 – Aug. 31, 2011

| <u>*School District Enrollment:</u> | <u>Membership Dues:</u> |
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| Up to 9,999 | \$ 500 <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 10,000 to 19,999 | \$ 750 <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 20,000 and larger | \$ 1,000 <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Individual – School Board Member | \$ 300 <input type="checkbox"/> |
| <i>For current School Board Members whose School Districts are not members of MASBA. An individual membership allows the school board member to participate in the Annual Conference and all related MASBA events for the current year.</i> | |
| Educational Service Centers (ESC) | \$ 1,000 <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Amigo (Friends of MASBA) | \$ 250 <input type="checkbox"/> |
| <i>Former School Board Members, Educators or those with a general interest in MASBA and the betterment of education.</i> | |

Paid memberships allow school district board members and staff to attend the Annual Conference with no additional fees. The cost to attend the Annual Conference without an annual School District Membership is \$300 per person.

Please direct all membership questions to: Kurt Hixson, (210) 478-7901; MASBA.PR@gmail.com.
 To be invoiced or pay by Purchase Order (PO), please fax this form to: MASBA, (210) 547-9492.

MASBA Membership Contact Information:

Name: _____ **School District:** _____
Membership Type: (check the appropriate box above) **Actual Enrollment:** _____
E-mail Address: _____ **Phone #:** _____ **Amount Enclosed:** \$ _____
Address: _____ **City:** _____ **ST:** _____ **Zip:** _____

MASBA Member Information:

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| Board Members: | E-Mail address: |
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Please make additional copies if necessary and retain a copy for your records. Receipts will be mailed/e-mailed to the "MASBA Membership Contact." Thank you for your support!