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Massachusetts 68th Annual
Student Government Day

April 10, 2015
State House
Boston, Massachusetts
Student Government Day 2015

8:30-9:30 a.m. Registration, Gardner Auditorium

9:30 a.m. Welcome

Karen P. White, Student Government Day Coordinator, Department of Elementary and Secondary Education

9:45 a.m. Greetings from Executive Branch

The Honorable Charles Baker, Governor

9:50-10:55 a.m. Simulated Committee Hearing and Executive Session

Senator Jennifer L. Flanagan
Representative Paul McMurtry
Anne Ziaja, Director, Senate Education and Civic Engagement

House Bill No. 322 – An Act to establish a new high school diploma.

House Bill No. 367 – An Act for mandatory Physical Education for all students grades K-12.

11:05 a.m. Student Government Assembly

- Representatives assemble in the House Chamber
- Constitutional Officers and Supreme Judicial Court Justices proceed to the House Chamber
- Senators assemble in the Senate Chamber and then proceed as a group to the House Chamber

11:10 a.m. Joint Convention of the Senate and House

Student Senate President presiding, Colleen Ward, Ralph C. Mahar Regional High School, Swampscott, MA

Student Speaker of the House, Michel Mazzone, Winthrop High School, Winthrop, MA

11:10 a.m. The Pledge of Allegiance

Greetings from the Executive Office of Education
Secretary of Education James Peyser

Greetings from the Department of Elementary and Secondary Education
Commissioner Mitchell D. Chester

Greetings from the Legislature
President of the Senate Stanley Rosenberg
Speaker of the House of Representatives Robert DeLeo

Greetings from the Judicial Branch
Associate Justice Mark V. Green

Student Governor’s Address
Student Governor, Zachary Levenson, Swampscott High School, Swampscott, MA

11:30 a.m. Students move to their assigned locations

Executive Branch/Constitutional Officers - Assemble in the Senate Reading Room to meet with:

Lieutenant Governor Karyn Polito
State Auditor Suzanne M. Bump
Attorney General Maura Healey
Treasurer Deborah Goldberg
Secretary of the Commonwealth William Francis Galvin

Supreme Judicial Court - Assemble outside House Chamber and proceed to the Court to meet with:

Supreme Judicial Court Justice Margot Botsford

Legislature (House and Senate) Formal Session

- Senators assemble in the Senate Chamber
- Representatives assemble in the House Chamber

1:00 p.m. Conclusion of Student Government Day 2015