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WHAT is BOAST?

- The proposed BOAST Maryland Tax Credit is legislation that would provide scholarships for nonpublic school students, grants to nonpublic school teachers, help stabilize enrollment at nonpublic schools, and provide additional extracurricular and after-school programs for public school students. Businesses that contribute to organizations that provide these services would receive an income tax credit.

WHY get involved with BOAST?

- We must have the support of all legislative representatives, including those who represent your school's district; these lawmakers need to hear from you about the importance of nonpublic schools in Maryland & how important the BOAST legislation is to your school. (see **WHAT can I do to promote BOAST?**)

WHAT is the plan for BOAST?

- Hold a statewide forum on Tuesday, October 6, 2009 from 9:00A.M.-1:00P.M. in Annapolis for all principals, teachers, families, supporters & members of the business community to provide training & information about BOAST. Additional information will be provided later this summer.
- Significantly increase active participation by signing up for our online advocacy network at: www.boastmarylad.org.

WHAT can I do to promote BOAST?

- **SIGN UP** for our network at www.boastmaryland.org, click "Join the BOAST Network" to receive email alerts & pre-drafted emails to send to elected officials.
- **FORWARD** the following link to five friends & ask them to join our network at www.boastmaryland.org. They will also receive email alerts and pre-drafted emails to send to elected officials.
- **SAVE THE DATE** for our statewide BOAST Forum on October 6, 2009.
- **PROVIDE US** with contact information for businesses that would be willing to support the BOAST legislation & join our coalition at www.boastmaryland.org, click "Businesses" & "Become a Partner".
- **CONTACT US**, at the numbers below, if you have any questions.

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