# Mihyar Alnifaidy



Greetings, my name is Mihyar Alnifaidy, and I am running for the position of the 25<sup>th</sup> Student Member of the Board.

# I am currently enrolled at Springbrook

High School in Silver Spring. I have lived in Montgomery County since 1993. I am a native of Sudan, Africa. I was born in Paris, France in 1985. I came to America in August 1993. I attended Cresthaven Elementary, and I graduated from Burnt Mills Elementary. I went to Francis Scott Key Middle School. I speak Arabic as a first language and I am studying French currently. I would definitely like the students of Montgomery County to get to know me as a person and not only as a candidate for this position.

### Experiences:

- Class President: Freshman & Sophomore year (99'-00', 00'-01')
- Lacrosse: Freshman & Sophomore year
- Cross Country: Freshman
- B.R.O.T.H.E.R.S. (Brothers Reach Out To Help Each Reach Success)
  - (99'-00', 00'-01', 01'-02')
- SGA Representative (99'-00', 00'-01', 01'-02')
- Morning Announcer (99'-00', 00'-01', 01'-02')
- Member of Mu Alpha Theta (00'-01')
- Football Team (00'-01')
- MCR (Montgomery County Region of the Maryland Association of Student Councils) (00'-01')
- MCSEA (Montgomery County Students Environmental Activists) (00'-01')

I urge ever student to vote for me. I feel as though we all, as students, have first hand insight on high school life, therefore we all have opinions and suggestions to better our school system. My campaign is all about student participation and insight. If elected I will represent the students ideas and work on behalf of the hardworking MCPS students. I am open to suggestions and comments at any time. My E-mail address is Atti2ds1@AOL.COM. You may contact at all times because great ideas are out there and must be heard. Vote MIHYAR ALNIFAIDY for your 25<sup>th</sup> Student Member of the Board of Education.

## If elected SMOB, I would:

- Represent Montgomery County students in their views and suggestions
- Stress RECYCLING to ALL schools
- Support and encourage middle school students in order to have success in high school
- Implement Double "A" exemption bill
- Stress school signature programs and magnet programs
- Work to lessen class sizes
- Strive to have the school offer more career-oriented courses, such as entrepreneurship and business management, in order to give students a head start on today's business economy
- Support after school and extra-curricular activities participation by students.
- Like to involve more parents in student's decisions and academics
- Lobby for more computers in schools and classrooms.

#### Question #1 Response:

I feel as though charter schools would have a positive effect on Montgomery County Students. Charter schools offer more direct relationships with teachers and students. Emphasis is put on students to succeed and to be successful. Charter schools allow for students to be focused on schoolwork and not other burdening issues in our societies. The meaning of charter is special privileges, which directly defines the positive aspects of such a school. The students will have special privileges when it comes to learning.

#### **Question #2 Response:**

The voting rights of the Student Board member impact the current status and future of the Student Board member position greatly, in that the actions of today impact the future in all aspects. If elected I will emphasize why the participation of a student in the Board of Education is so critical. The student represents all the students of Montgomery County and that is a great advantage because the Board will get to hear the prospective of a first hand student. The Board makes decisions to improve the students education and those decisions cannot be made without the suggestions of the students, who which in part are the ones being directly effected.

# Election Day: April 24

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