

2026-27 Competitive Events Guidelines

Businessperson of the Year



Recognizes an outstanding businessperson and their support of PA FBLA.

Event Overview

Division: High School

Event Type: Recognition

Region

This is not a region event

State

State Eligibility

Each local chapter may make one nomination in the Businessperson of the Year event. Nominees must be members of the business sector.

State Procedure

1. A 500-word or less biographical sketch of the nominee based on the criteria listed on No. 2 must be submitted as a single PDF file to the PA FBLA Executive Director/State Chairman by the deadline date listed at <https://www.pafbla.org/about-pafbla/important-dates/>, which is also on the PA FBLA web site.
2. Criteria for selection of the nominees at the state level should address each of the areas listed below:
 - Promotion of FBLA activities, such as speeches to service club, giving presentations, or hosting workshops.
 - Years of participation in FBLA activities.
 - Contribution to chapter projects and activities, such as speaking to FBLA chapters.
 - Arrangement of tours for FBLA chapters.
 - Financial assistance to FBLA local and/or state chapter(s).
 - Underwriting expenses of students to attend the FBLA state or national leadership conferences.
 - Judging competitive events at an FBLA region and/or state leadership conference.
 - Achievement in business and industry.
 - Community service through civic and social organizations.
3. Nominees for state Business Partnership of the Year must be selected in accordance with the regulations of the state chapter.
4. Nominees must be members of the business community.
5. PA FBLA will pay for the meals, lodging, and registration of one representative of the Business Partnership of the Year recipient at the SLC.

State Judging

The Board of Directors will select the winner.

State Awards

The state chapter will recognize one (1) nominee at the State Leadership Conference.

National

National Conference Eligibility

The award winner at the State Leadership Conference will be nominated for national recognition.