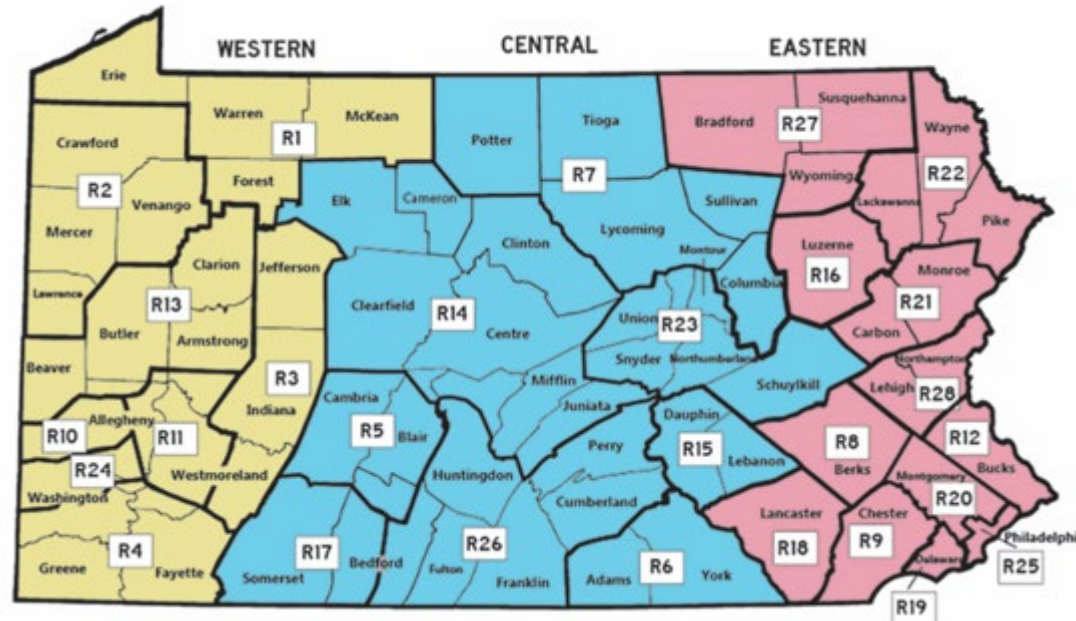


Pennsylvania FBLA REGION ADVISERS MEETING

Planning Your RLC, Other Information, and Looking Ahead

October 07, 2026



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MEETING PRESENTERS

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WELCOME TO OUR NEW REGION ADVISERS

Region 02: Cindy Welker, Neshannock High School and Trisha Knight, West Middlesex High School

Region 21: Tonia Thompson, Jim Thorpe Area High School and Brandyn Miller, Palmerton Area High School

Region 25 (tentative): Eric Gold, Julia Masterman School

Region 27: Devanie Heft, Wyalusing Valley High School

REGION ADVISER EMAIL DIRECTORY

Reg #	RA Name	School	Email Address
01	Barbara Miller	Northwestern HS	bmiller@nwsd.org
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09	Stephanie Shrake	Avon Grove HS	sshrake@avongrove.org
10	Roxanne Delon	Central Valley HS	rdelon@centralvalleysd.net
11	Anthony Kobus	Penn Hills HS	akobus@phsd.k12.pa.us

REGION ADVISER EMAIL DIRECTORY

Reg #	RA Name	School	Email Address
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18	Kristi Ryland	Cocalico HS	kryland@cocalico.org
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REGION ADVISER EMAIL DIRECTORY

Reg #	RA Name	School	Email Address
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25	Eric Gold	Julia Masterman School	egold@philasd.org
26	Lena Showers-Lewis	Littlestown HS	lewisl@lasd.k12.pa.us
27	Devanie Heft	Wyalusing Valley HS	dheft@wyalusingrams.com
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29	Jake Sarwar	PA FBLA Virtual Chapter	jsarwar@pafbla.us
MS	Michele Sites	PA FBLA Middle School Coordinator	msites@pafbla.us

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1. Received a list of chapter responses and changes known so far.
2. As you make decisions regarding your conference, please submit your **RLC Reporting Form** to the state office as soon as possible. It is used to create your individual region's Blue Panda site. Received so far:
 - a. Region 05
 - b. Region 06
 - c. Region 09
 - d. Region 11
 - e. Region 16
 - f. Region 27

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3. Received current list of **2026-2027 region officers** so far:
 - a. Region 05
 - b. Region 06
 - c. Region 09
 - d. Region 15
 - e. Region 27
4. Received requests for **Certificates of Liability Insurance** from:
 - a. Region 06
5. Separate form to report **2027-2027-2028** region officers.

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6. Please reach out to chapters in your region that have not responded with the **Chapter Intent Form** and **New Chapter Adviser Registration Forms**.
6. If there are aware of **potential chapters** in your region, contact Bruce Boncal. All requests to charter/reactivate a chapter begins with a national form:
<https://connect.fbla.org/forms?id=1>

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7. NEW INFORMATION BECOMING AVAILABLE THROUGH THE WEBSITE:

- www.pafbla.org >
- About >
- Chapter Directory

Region 1

Corry Area High School

Chapter ID Number: 12126

Date Established: 12/21/1981

Status: Active

Adviser:

Primary Adviser

Valerie Toplovich

vtoplovich@corrysd.net

Location/Social Media Information

534 E. Pleasant Street, Corry, PA 16407

County: Erie

School Phone: (814) 665-8297

Fort LeBoeuf High School

Chapter ID Number: 1127

Date Established: 03/10/1954

Status: Active

Adviser:

Primary Adviser

Christine Seher

seherc@flbapps.net

Location/Social Media Information

931 High Street, Waterford, PA 16441

County: Erie

School Phone: (814) 796-2616

Erie Day School Middle School FBLA

Chapter ID Number: 3622604

Date Established: 09/14/2024

Status: Active

Adviser:

Primary Adviser

Janis Filbeck

jfilbeck@eriedayschool.com

Location/Social Media Information

1372 West Sixth Street, Erie, PA 16505

County: Erie

School Phone: (814) 452-4273

General McLane High School

Chapter ID Number: 1298

Date Established: 12/30/1954

Status: Active

Adviser:

Primary Adviser

Erin Bentley

erinbentley@generalmcclane.org

Location/Social Media Information

11761 Edinboro Rd, Edinboro, PA 16412-1025

County: Erie

School Phone: (814) 734-1602



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8. NEW INFORMATION BECOMING AVAILABLE THROUGH THE WEBSITE:

- a. www.pafbla.org >
- b. About >
- c. Chapter Directory

Littlestown High School

Chapter ID Number: 10885

Date Established: 03/05/1979

Status: Active

Adviser:

Primary Adviser

Mr. Scott Staub

staubs@lasd.k12.pa.us

Co-adviser 1

Mrs. Lena Showers-Lewis

lewisl@lasd.k12.pa.us

Location/Social Media Information

200 East Myrtle Street, Littlestown, PA 17340

County: Adams

School Phone: (717) 359-4146

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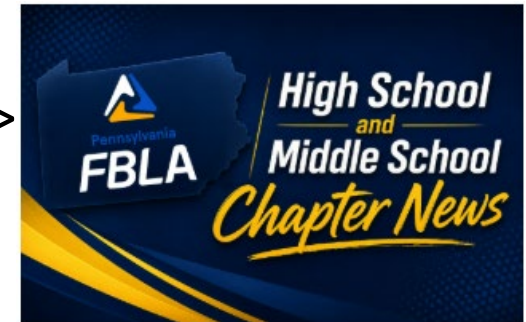
9. SUBMIT CHAPTER AND REGIONAL NEWS:

- a. www.pafbla.org >
- b. About >
- c. PA FBLA High School & Middle School News

To Submit News:

<https://www.pafbla.org/pa-fbla-news-submission/> ----->

Look for this graphic on the main page



To View News:

<https://www.pafbla.org/pa-fbla-high-school-middle-school-news/>

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10. SUBMIT CHAPTER AND REGIONAL NEWS:

Submitter Name

First Name

Last Name

Submitter Email

example@example.com

Adviser Email

Chapter Number. Not required for state news. Numbers only.

Membership Division. Not required for state news.

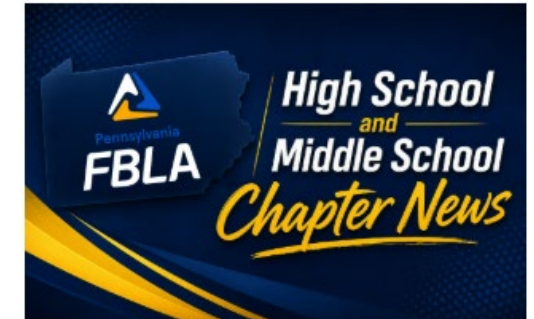
- ☐ Middle School
- ☐ High School

Which best describes your submission?

- ☐ Chapter News
- ☐ Region News
- ☐ State News

State/Chapter News Category

- ☐ Community Service
- ☐ Fundraising
- ☐ Conference
- ☐ Chapter Plan of Work Activities
- ☐ Member Recruitment
- ☐ Guest Speaker
- ☐ Business Partnership
- ☐ Chapter Management
- ☐ OTHER



ANNOUNCEMENTS



DV FBLA Sells Slime, Saves Hearts

Chapter: Delaware Valley High School · Published: October 7, 2026 at 7:25 AM

Milford, PA – On Sept. 19, 2026, Delaware Valley High School held its annual Warrior Fest, and... [Read more](#)



Jim Thorpe Students Place at FBLA National Leadership Conference

Chapter: Jim Thorpe Area High School · Published: September 29, 2026 at 12:20 PM

Jim Thorpe, PA — Students from Jim Thorpe won top prizes at Future Business Leaders of America,... [Read more](#)

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11. SUBMIT REGION SPECIFIC NEWS: *(only can be submitted by the region adviser)*

Submitter Name

First Name

Last Name

Submitter Email

example@example.com

Adviser Email

Chapter Number. Not required for state news. Numbers only.

Membership Division. Not required for state news.

☐ Middle School

☐ High School

Which best describes your submission?

☐ Chapter News

☐ Region News

☐ State News



***When this is chosen,
a Region # will need
to be chosen.***

State/Chapter News Category

☐ Community Service

☐ Fundraising

☐ Conference

☐ Chapter Plan of Work Activities

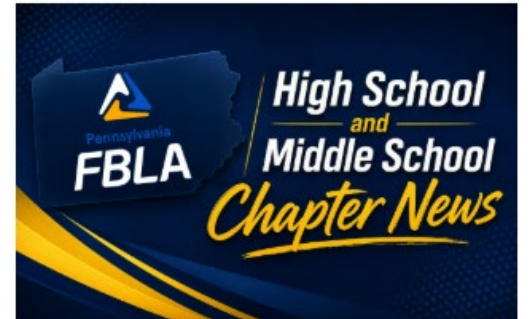
☐ Member Recruitment

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☐ OTHER



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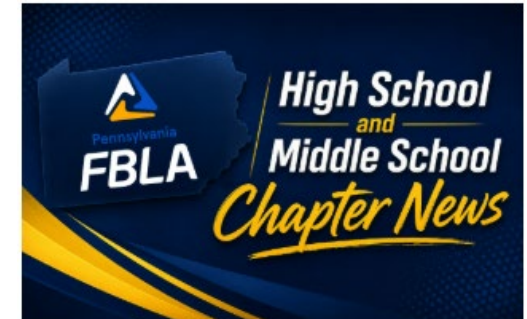
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13. Who's Who Criteria Revision:

Background Information

Item 00 — [Biographical Information](#) (must be completed by all applicants) | (required, but no point value)

Item 01 — [Applicant's Statement](#) (must be completed by all applicants) | (maximum 10 total points)

Membership Dues

Item 02 — [Paid State and National Dues](#) (must be completed by all applicants) | (maximum 90 total points)

State Programs Involvement

Item 03 — [Keystone Leadership Award](#) | (maximum 10 total points)

Item 04 — [Big 33 Community Service](#) | (maximum 20 total points)

Item 05 — [National Business Honor Society](#) | (maximum 20 total points)

National Program Involvement

Item 06 — [Business Achievement Awards/Contributor Level](#) | (maximum 10 total points)

Item 07 — [Business Achievement Awards/Leader Level](#) | (maximum 20 total points)

Item 08 — [Business Achievement Awards/Advocate Level](#) | (maximum 30 total points)

Item 09 — [Business Achievement Awards/Capstone Level](#) | (maximum 40 total points)

Item 10 — [Champion Chapter Participation/Summer Starter](#) | (maximum 10 total points)

Item 11 — [Champion Chapter Participation/Shaping Success](#) | (10 points per award | maximum 10 total points)

Item 12 — [Champion Chapter Participation/Service Season](#) | (maximum 10 total points)

Item 13 — [Champion Chapter Participation/CTE Celebration](#) | (maximum 10 total points)

Item 14 — [Champion Chapter Participation/Champion+](#) | (maximum 10 total points)

Item 15 — [National Programs Participation/Stock Market Game](#) | (maximum 5 total points)

Item 16 — [National Programs Participation/LifeSmarts](#) | (maximum 5 total points)

Item 17 — [National Programs Participation/Virtual Business Challenge Finance](#) | (maximum 5 total points)

Item 18 — [National Programs Participation/Virtual Business Challenge Management](#) | (maximum 5 total points)

Item 19 — [FBLA Week Activities](#) | (maximum 40 total points)

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13. Outstanding Chapter Criteria Revision:

Everything revolves around these categories of activities:

- A. Membership
- B. Promoting FBLA and Recruiting New Chapters
- C. Membership Recruitment/Retention and Member Recognition
- D. Chapter Promotion/Publicity
- E. Chapter/Individual Awards/Recognition
- F. Professional Learning
- G. Chapter Management
- H. Conferences
- I. Leadership Development/Opportunities
- J. FBLA Week Activities
- K. Service to the Community and School
- L. Participation in Other State and National Programs

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13. Outstanding Chapter Criteria Revision:

Category E: Chapter/Individual Awards/Recognition			
Item #	Description	CC Align	Timeline
E1	Submitted an Application for State Local Market Share Award By February 03, 2027		
E2	Chapter Has an Adviser That Appears on the National FBLA Wall of Fame		now
E3	Earned 2026-2027 Champion Chapter/Summer Starter Recognition (As Announced by National FBLA)		after September 24
E4	Received 2026-2027 Champion Chapter/Shaping Success Recognition (As Announced by National FBLA)		after November 05
E5	Earned 2026-2027 Champion Chapter/Service Season Recognition (As Announced by National FBLA)		after January 07
E6	Achieved 2026-2027 Champion Chapter/CTE Celebration Recognition (As Announced by National FBLA)		after March 04
E7	Received 2025-2026 Champion Chapter Gold/Silver/Bronze Recognition (As Announced by National FBLA)		now
E8	Participated in the 2026-2027 Champion Chapter/Champion+ Program		no later than February 28
E9	Chapter Had Award Winners at the June 2026 National Leadership Conference in San Antonio, Texas		now

TONIGHT'S MEETING

What's the purpose of tonight's meeting?

Planning so that all region conferences are consistently administered.

Planning so that the integrity of the competitive events process is maintained.

You are not responsible for expecting or worrying about dues being paid before your RLC. Remember, if they are in Connect, they are imported into Blue Panda. That means they are paid or pending members. Monitoring dues payments are the Executive Director's responsibility.

TONIGHT'S MEETING

What's the purpose of tonight's meeting?

All registration is done through Blue Panda. That is the “official” registration. Anything you ask for prior to Blue Panda’s registration closing date is not official. Anything that appears in Blue Panda by your closing date at 11:59 pm is the official record.

Your registration/deadline info is established based on your region’s reporting form.

Any exceptions you make to Blue Panda MUST BE reflected in Blue Panda. You need to contact Bruce Boncal.

FUTURE MEETING

~~Region Adviser Summit @ State Leadership Workshop~~

There will not be a separate region adviser meeting at Kalahari as nearly all information will be conveyed here. Any updates will be in the “adviser meeting” on Sunday afternoon.

If you are attending the SLW, you will not need to leave the opening session as has been done in the past.

FBLA REBRANDING

Full Compliance in Required -- <https://www.fbla.org/brand-center/>

- Each region has a specific region logo to use. If you need it, contact Bruce Boncal.



Under no circumstances may the delta symbol be used on its own outside of an official logo lock-up.
For more information, refer to the Brand Guidelines.

Organization Name:

Future Business Leaders of America

Three divisions:

1. FBLA High School
2. FBLA Middle School
3. FBLA Collegiate

FBLA REBRANDING



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Color Usage in Logo Variations

For the primary logo on a white background, the blue is used in the Delta.

On a navy background, the navy becomes white and the blue becomes cobalt in the Delta, for better contrast and accessibility.

Navy

Blue

Cobalt

White Background



Navy Background

FBLA REBRANDING

One Color Logo Variations

Due to the usage of gold, blue and cobalt in the Delta, specific rules must be applied when using those colors as backgrounds.

When using a gold or cobalt background, an all white or all navy logo may be used.

On a blue background, only use all white logo.



COMPETITIVE EVENTS INFORMATION

Competitive Events Information Found Here

www.pafblla.org



HOME ABOUT ▾ CONTACT ▾ CONFERENCES ▾ PROGRAMS ▾ **COMPETITIVE EVENTS** MIDDLE SCHOOL ▾ VIRTUAL CHAPTER ▾

Derek Selleck will present all information regarding competitive events expectations.

All PA FBLA guidelines have been updated and posted.

COMPETITIVE EVENTS INFORMATION

RLC Information Found Here (on PA FBLA main page)

<https://www.pafbla.org/2026-2027-region-leadership-conference-information/>



COMPETITIVE EVENTS INFORMATION

New Look to the Competitive Events Area



Event Scope

☐ National Events

(76)

☐ PA Specific Events

(15)

Event Category

☐ Chapter Events

(4)

☐ Objective Tests

(31)

☐ Presentation Events

(30)

☐ Production Events

(1)

☐ Role Play Events

(12)

Event Type

☐ 9th & 10th Grade Only I

Individual

(10)

☐ 9th & 10th Grade Only I

Individual or Team

(3)

☐ Individual

(31)

91 results

Sort by: Name (A-Z) ▼

Accounting

Posted: September 6, 2026

Objective Tests (Individual)

Advanced Accounting

Posted: September 6, 2026

Objective Tests (Individual)

Advertising

Posted: September 6, 2026

Objective Tests (Individual)

Agribusiness

Posted: September 6, 2026

Objective Tests (Individual)

American Enterprise Project

Posted: September 12, 2026

Chapter Events

Banking & Financial Systems

Posted: September 6, 2026

Role Play Events (Individual or Team)

Big 33 Community Service Project

Posted: September 1, 2025

Broadcast Journalism

Posted: September 6, 2026

Presentation Events (Individual or Team)

Business Communication

Posted: September 6, 2026

Objective Tests (Individual)

Business Ethics

Posted: September 6, 2026

Presentation Events (Individual or Team)

COMPETITIVE EVENTS INFORMATION

Region Adviser Reporting Forms:

1. [26-27 RLC Dates Reporting Form](#)
2. [26-27 New Region Officers Report Form](#) (please complete now to confirm officers)
3. [27-28 New Region Officers Report Form](#)
4. [26-27 Certificate of Insurance Request Form](#)

COMPETITIVE EVENTS INFORMATION

Region Registration Milestones/Policies

November 16, 2026: RLC registration opens at 8:00 am for all Pennsylvania FBLA regions and will remain open until your region adviser identifies the region closing deadline. Blue Panda is the official RLC registration for all 29 PA FBLA regions.

November 20, 2026: Earliest date any region's RLC registration may close, 11:59 pm.

November 30, 2026: Earliest date online objective tests and performance events may begin.

December 05, 2026: Earliest date RLC Awards Programs may be held.

December 31, 2026: Date to determine a region's membership incentive plan (Plan A/B/C/D).

January 23, 2027: Final date RLC awards programs may be held.

February 01, 2027: Final date for a region's chapters to make competitive events changes.

February 01, 2027: SLC registration deadline.

COMPETITIVE EVENTS INFORMATION

Other Dates Impacting Your Regions

State Leadership Conference 2027

December 15, 2026: SLC registration/lodging opens via Blue Panda, **12:00 noon**

December 18, 2026: Business Plan, Digital Animation, and Digital Video Production upload deadline via Blue Panda, by **5:00 pm**

December 18, 2026: SLC state-only individual/team events registration deadline via Blue Panda, by **5:00 pm**

December 31, 2026: SLC Region Membership Incentives calculations (Plans A, B, C, D) (based on membership in FBLA Connect)

COMPETITIVE EVENTS INFORMATION

Other Dates Impacting Your Regions (Derek)

January 12, 2027: SLC Qualifying Presentations via Zoom: (1) Digital Video Production

January 13, 2027: SLC Qualifying Presentations via Zoom: (1) Financial Statement Analysis, (2) Website Design

January 14, 2027: SLC Qualifying Presentations via Zoom: (1) Public Service Announcement

January 19, 2027: SLC Qualifying Presentations via Zoom: (1) Supply Chain Management

January 20, 2027: SLC Qualifying Presentations via Zoom: (1) Business Plan

January 21, 2027: SLC Qualifying Presentations via Zoom: (1) Computer Game & Simulation Programming, (2) Data Analysis

COMPETITIVE EVENTS INFORMATION

Other Dates Impacting Your Regions (Derek)

January 26, 2027: SLC Qualifying Presentations via Zoom: (1) Digital Animation, (2) Website Coding & Programming

January 27, 2027: SLC Qualifying Presentations via Zoom: (1) Coding & Programming, (2) Introduction to Programming

January 28, 2027: SLC Qualifying Presentations via Zoom: (1) Career Portfolio, (2) Mobile Application Development

February 12, 2027: State-only chapter events submission deadline via Blue Panda, by **5:00 pm**

COMPETITIVE EVENTS INFORMATION

Other Resources for Your Region

2026-2027 — [PA FBLA Region Competitive Events at a Glance](#)

2026-2027 — [PA FBLA Competitive Events Guidelines](#)

2026-2027 — [RLC Events Sign-Up Document for Use by Local Chapters](#)

2026-2027 — [State-Only Events Sign-up Sheet for Use by Local Chapters](#)

2026-2027 — [Tiebreaker Guidelines](#)

2026-2027 — [Competitive Events Topics](#)

2026-2027 — [Competitive Events Descriptions](#)

2026-2027 — [Competitive Events Preparation Resources](#) (requires an FBLA Connect login by advisers and students)

2026-2027 — [Competitive Events Production Test Reference Guide](#)

2026-2027 — [Who is Eligible to Attend the State Leadership Conference/Attendance Policy?](#)

2026-2027 — [SLC Member at Large Policy](#)

COMPETITIVE EVENTS INFORMATION

Other Resources for Your Region

2026-2027 Competitive Events at a Glance Pennsylvania FBLA Region Leadership Conference and State-Only Events



Competitive Event	Team Size	Eligible Grades	Category	Event Elements									Test Info		Timing Info				RLC Entries Per Chapter
				Objective Test	Production	Pre-Judge Asset	Presentation	Topic	Speech	Interview	Role Play	Internet Access	# of Questions	Test Time	Set Up Time	Prep Time	Present Time	Q&A	
Accounting	1	9-12	Objective Test	X								X	100	50					3
Advanced Accounting	1	9-12	Objective Test	X								X	100	50					3
Advertising	1	9-12	Objective Test	X								X	100	50					3
Agribusiness	1	9-12	Objective Test	X								X	100	50					3
American Enterprise Project (chapter state-only) Pennsylvania-only event; does not advance to the NLC	1-3	9-12	Chapter Event			X	X								3		7	3	0
Banking & Financial Systems	1-3	9-12	Objective Test	X								X	100	50					3
Broadcast Journalism	1-3	9-12	Presentation				X	X				X			3		7	3	2
Business Communication	1	9-12	Objective Test	X								X	100	50					3
Business Ethics	1-3	9-12	Presentation	X		X	X	X				X	100	50	3		7	3	2
Business Law	1	9-12	Objective Test	X								X	100	50					3
Business Management	1-3	9-12	Objective Test	X			X				X	X	100	50					2

Dress Code



DRESS CODE

Projecting a professional image is vital for business leaders to demonstrate respect for clients, colleagues, and others. This policy is to provide guidance for conference attendees—students, advisers, and guests. Professional business attire is required at all general sessions, competitive events, exhibits, regional meetings, workshops, and other activities unless otherwise indicated in conference materials.

Conference name badges are considered part of the dress code and must be worn at all conference functions. For safety reasons, do not wear conference badges outside of the conference area. The dress code is gender neutral.

ACCEPTABLE ITEMS



BUSINESS PROFESSIONAL

Business Suit

- Suit pants and jacket
- Blouse (or) collared dress shirt
- Neckwear such as tie or scarf
- Dress shoes (or) dress boots

Blazer

- Dress pants, including khakis, (or) dress (or) skirt
- Blazer
- Blouse (or) collared dress shirt
- Neckwear such as tie or scarf
- Dress shoes (or) dress boots

Dress

- A business dress
- Dress shoes (or) dress boots

Other Professional

- Dress pants, including khakis, (or) skirt
- Blouse (or) collared dress shirt
- Neckwear such as tie or scarf
- Dress shoes (or) dress boots

BUSINESS CASUAL

- Dress pants, skirt, (or) khakis/chino-style pants
- Blouse, collared dress shirt, (or) polo shirt
- Dress shoes (or) dress boots

NOTE: Business Casual is only permitted during sessions specifically noted in conference materials.

UNACCEPTABLE ITEMS



The following items are prohibited in all conference areas, including competitive events.

- | | | |
|---|--|--------------------------------|
| ❌ Denim or flannel clothing | ❌ Skintight or revealing clothing, including tank tops, spaghetti straps, and mini/short skirts or dresses more than 1" above the knee | ❌ Athletic shoes |
| ❌ Shorts | ❌ Swimwear | ❌ Industrial work shoes |
| ❌ Athletic clothing | ❌ Flip flops or casual sandals | ❌ Hiking boots |
| ❌ Leggings or graphically designed hosiery/tights | | ❌ Hats |
| | | ❌ Graphically printed clothing |

No dress code can cover all contingencies, so FBLA members must use a certain amount of judgment in their choice of clothing to wear. Members who experience uncertainty about unacceptable attire should ask their local adviser, state leader, or conference staff.

FBLA recognizes that exceptions may need to be made and will work with advisers on a case-by-case basis to accommodate requests. Advisers should indicate the need for exceptions on the special accommodation portion of the registration form. Requests made after registration closes must be made in writing.

June 2023

Competitive Events Presentation

Derek Selleck

PA FBLA Competitive Events Coordinator

What We Know

Board of Directors Expectations

RLC Events Administration Policies

All PA FBLA RLCs must have an “**in-person**” component where chapters, advisers, and members come together

- To conduct a traditional RLC that might include competitive event, region officer elections, leadership workshops.

What We Know

Board of Directors Expectations

RLC Events Administration Policies

At a minimum, the RLC is to include a recognition/awards program.

- At a minimum, certificates must be presented to 1st through 5th places.
(easy idea: make generic certificates for RLC/send personalized later)
- Students must leave the RLC with some tangible recognition.

The Board of Directors is clear: an all virtual RLC is not acceptable, except for the Virtual Region.

WHAT WE KNOW

Region Officers:

According the PA FBLA policy, each region should elect a minimum of two region officers: a region president and a region secretary. These two 25-26 incoming region officers, as well as the outgoing 24-25 region officers, are eligible to attend the state conference.

Regions have the choice to elect their region officers in person at their RLC or virtually. The region adviser may contact the state office for assistance with the administration of a virtual region officer election.

WHAT WE KNOW

RLC registration will open for all regions:

November 16, 2026, at 8:00 am

RLC registration closes for each region:

based on your announced schedule

must remain open for 5 full working days

November 20 @ 11:59 pm: earliest registration may close

WHAT WE KNOW

Impacting Your Ability to Host a Full RLC

Substitute shortages impact school systems.

Bus driver shortages impact school system transportation needs.

Daytime RLCs may need to be abbreviated with reality that buses may arrive late and have to leave early and can't conduct a full RLC during the day.

TECHNOLOGY CHANGES IMPACTING RLC



- Online testing system: Blue Panda
- Online judging system: Blue Panda

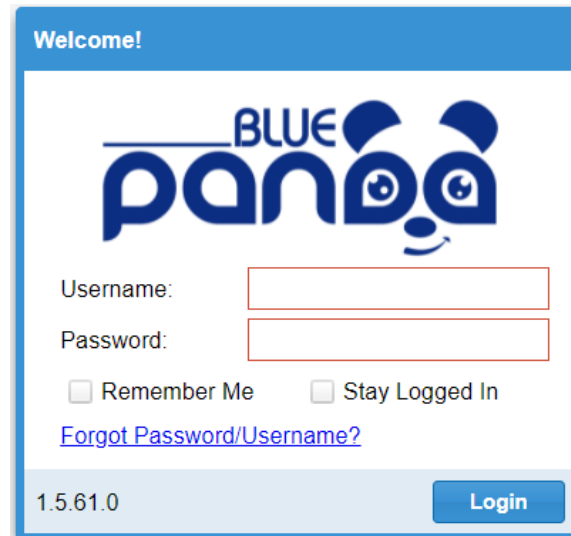
TECHNOLOGY CHANGES IMPACTING RLC



There will not be a need for region advisers to submit award winners; state office will pull them directly from Blue Panda.

WHAT WE KNOW

- All registration must be done through Blue Panda.
- Region advisers will have access to their region's data.
- Need to get used to uploading items as assets (resumes, letters, URLs).

A screenshot of a web application login page. At the top, a blue header bar contains the text "Welcome!". Below this is the "BLUE panda" logo, where "BLUE" is in a sans-serif font and "panda" is in a stylized, rounded font with a panda face integrated into the letters. The login form consists of two input fields: "Username:" and "Password:". Below these fields are two checkboxes: "Remember Me" and "Stay Logged In". A blue link labeled "Forgot Password/Username?" is positioned below the checkboxes. At the bottom left of the form area, the version number "1.5.61.0" is displayed. At the bottom right, there is a blue button labeled "Login".

WHAT MORE DO YOU NEED FROM THE STATE OFFICE?

1. Shared Dropbox for Region Advisers/Derek Selleck
 - Prepared certificate
 - Impromptu Speaking Topic
 - Scripts, Signs, and more
2. Registration Download – you will do yourself from Blue Panda
3. Access to RLC Results -- you will have access via Blue Panda

PLEASE EMPHASIZE

1. **Meet in-person or virtually with your region's advisers to plan.**
Get everyone on the same page.
2. Reinforce the competitive events changes, especially regarding:
 - a. repeating in competitive events
 - b. required topics
 - c. performance time limits
 - d. no collaborative tests

A LOOK TO THE STATE LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE

April (11) 12-14, 2027 – Hershey
2027 pricing is exactly the same as 2026

All objective testing will be one site in Hershey including role play event objective tests, which will be administered on Sunday afternoon.

All performances will take place onsite in Hershey (provisions made for parents to transport, if necessary).

Maximum of 15 finalists in each event (invited).

A LOOK TO THE STATE LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE

April (11) 12-14, 2027 – Hershey

Heavy emphasis on leadership development programs.

Increased chapter participation through members at large AND region membership incentive program.

A LOOK TO THE STATE LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE

AP Business with Personal Finance Challenge

Pilot partnership between FBLA and the College Board.
Component at the State Leadership Conference.

Open Discussion

Challenges Being Conveyed by Schools?
transportation costs?

For the good of all

Open Discussion

Need Assistance:

Please have your chapters that have not responded complete the **Chapter Intent Form**.

If you become aware of new advisers, please have them complete the **New Chapter Adviser Registration Form**.

Both are found in the Adviser Information Center.

For the good of all Any further items for discussion.

Michele Sites

Middle School Coordinator

Questions???