

There is Still Time to Step up to the Challenge

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As we approach the middle of the school year I hope you have been involved in your chapter's community service project, fundraisers, Lead2Feed, ASK Childhood Cancer Foundation, and other chapter activities. As the next half approaches don't forget these important events.

1. FBLA Week

February 8—14

FBLA-PBL sets aside the second week of February as FBLA-PBL Week. Chapters are encouraged to use this time to publicize their activities and successes, boost their membership, and gear up for their spring activities.

2. Competitive Events

Now is the time for you to start studying for your competitive event. If you need any details about your competitive event refer to the State Handbook at

<http://www.cteresource.org/fbla/>

3. Regional Spring Conference

Please look out for more information from your regional president and regional director. Check the date of your regional conference in this issue.

4. State Leadership Conference

Our State Leadership Conference will be on April 10-11 in Reston, Virginia. Check the Virginia FBLA website for all the information about the conference..

5. Membership year ends soon

The membership year is coming to a close. Now is the time for that final push for those final members. Remember to have your dues paid by March 1, 2015.

Your State Officers have been working hard all year for you! We look forward to seeing you at the State Leadership Conference in Reston, Virginia on April 10-11. Now is the time for you to Step up to the Challenge and get involved.

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Regional Spring Conference Dates

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Thomas Nelson Region:
When: March 7, 2015
Where: Thomas Nelson
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Hello Virginia FBLA! Here are the dates and times for all of our Spring Regional Conferences! Please mark your calendar, as we can't wait to see you there!

VSU Region:
When: March 5, 2015
Where: TBA

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VWCC Region:
When: March 6, 2015
Where: Virginia Western
Community College

Capital Region:
When: March 5, 2015
Where: Richmond
Community High School

UVA's College at Wise Region:
When: March 7, 2015
Where: University of Virginia's
College at Wise

Northern Virginia Region:
When: March 5, 2015
Where: Mount Vernon High
School

Tidewater Region:
When: March 14, 2015
Where: Booker T. Washington
High School in Norfolk,
Virginia

Germanna Region:
When: March 5, 2015
Where: Brentsville District
High School

Longwood Region:
When: March 12, 2015
Where: Longwood University

FBLA Week

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This is an awesome time for members to get involved and give back during our week of celebrating FBLA. Show people who we are and how we are not only business leaders but also activist in our communities.

FBLA sets aside Wednesday, February 11 as Adviser Appreciation day and Saturday, February 14 as FBLA Community Service Day.

Now is the time for your chapter to plan activities for FBLA week. Activity ideas include: a business attire day, FBLA spirit day, have a chapter social, or invite a guest speaker to speak to your chapter. These are just a few ideas. What else can your chapter do?

Adviser Appreciation Day!

In addition, FBLA-PBL recognizes the Wednesday of this week as Adviser Appreciation Day. FBLA advisers, all have

one thing in common; caring for Future Business Leaders. Advisers play a huge role in making sure the chapter runs smoothly. Advisers must pay membership dues, register students for competitions, organize field trips and activities. This is on top of being a teacher. In other words, advisers do more than you might think. Step Up to the Challenge and show appreciation for your adviser during FBLA week.

Hers is a list of possible things to do to show your appreciation for your adviser.

1. Make a poster!
 2. Take a picture!
 3. Gift Basket!
 4. Organize a Social/Breakfast/Lunch!
- These are only a few ways that you can show your appreciation for your adviser.

Community Service Day

FBLA sets aside Saturday for Community Service Day. This is a day for FBLA members to be involved in a community service activity. Choose a local community service project or support our state project, the ASK Childhood Cancer Foundation. Plan a Lead2Feed activity for your community. This is an awesome time for members to get involved and give back during our week of celebrating FBLA. Show people who we are and how we are not only business leaders but also activists in our communities.