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Important dates to remember (State Events/Deadlines shown in **BOLD**):

- January I Action Awareness Begins
- January 13 Capital Region Winter Leadership Conference
- January 27 Southwest Region Winter Leadership Conference
- February I REGISTRATION FOR ROLE PLAY TESTING OPENS
- February I North Central Region Winter Leadership Conference
- February I Northwest Region Winter Leadership Conference
- February 3 West Central Region Winter Leadership Conference
- February 4 Puget Sound Region Winter Leadership Conference
- February 6 Northeast Region Winter Leadership Conference
- February 7 Southeast Region Winter Leadership Conference
- February 2 Spring Stock Market Game Begins
- February 2-8 FBLA Week
- February 14 REGISTRATION DEADLINE FOR ROLE PLAY TESTING

Happy New Year, Advisers!

HACK-A-THON

This year at SBLC, WA FBLA and Starbucks, with participation from Microsoft, will be hosting a Hack-a-Thon, modeled on the Hack-a-Thons used at Starbucks to generate innovative ideas! What is a Hack-a-Thon? A competition where people come together to collaborate on and



prototype a solution to a problem! Our Hack-a-Thon will last all of Friday during SBLC, April 10, 2020. It will kick off in the morning with an introductory workshop with Starbucks, where the problem will be presented, mixed-chapter teams will be formed, and guidelines will be laid out for the participants. You will then have all day to hack the problem, and will finish the day with a presentation to judges to determine the winner!

SBLC 2020 SCHOLARSHIP WINNERS!

Congratulations to all the State Business Leadership Conference 2020 Scholarship Winners! Please see the attached document for our list of winners. This scholarship grants all of our winners free registration at SBLC 2020 in Spokane (\$185

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NATIONAL PROFESSIONAL DIVISION OFFICER OPENINGS

Applications for Professional Division national office are now being accepted. Open positions are vice president and secretary/treasurer. The application can be found <u>here</u>. The deadline is February 15.

NATIONAL PROGRAMS

The National Programs (**BAA, CSA, Action Awareness**) are all located under the National Programs button in the chapter's online profile (membership record). To register members for BAA or CSA, click on National Programs and then the name of the award. Then, click on the appropriate registration level for the student. Next, forward the login information to the student for their files. To view the programs, click on the Adviser Access area and then BAA or CSA online. You should be able to view the levels - click review awards to manage the student entries. Once the student has completed all the activities, select the submit button to submit the entry. If advisers had members complete a level prior to this, email the names of the students who completed each level to membershipdir@fbla.org and we will code the entry on the back end.

Please register all students for new levels in the online membership record.

Action Awareness is now open! To register chapters, advisers should click on the Adviser Access Area and then select the Chapter Challenge Dashboard.

MARCH OF DIMES GRANT

All chapters are now eligible to apply for the March of Dimes Grant. All applications must include a March of Dimes fundraising component. Local chapters may apply for grants up to \$1,000. The application deadline is January 15, 5:00 p.m. EST. Please use this link to apply. Do not miss out on this exciting opportunity! Link = <u>https://fblapbl.wufoo.com/forms/re62acn1ibs50r/</u>

WSBEA PRESIDENT'S AWARD RECIPIENT

CONGRATULATIONS to **Peter Rustemeyer** for receiving the WSBEA President's Award at the annual Business and Marketing (BAM) Conference this past October!



The Business and Marketing (BAM) conference was held in conjunction with Washington Association of Marketing Educators. Registration is slowly increasing, which helps makes this an even more valuable resource to our teachers. If you are not a member, consider adding this valuable professional organization! Visit the WSBEA Website at this <u>link</u> to join!

Sponsors included WSECU, VariQuest, EverFi, CCI Learning, Stukent, and Washington State Department of Financial Institutions. The conference sessions were tracked based on business, marketing, and computer science; this allowed teacher to select sessions that closely aligned with their current courses and any innovation they could bring back to the classroom.

DECEMBER MEMBER OF THE MONTH

Congratulations to Jazmine Nguyen from Hazen High School for being chosen as the WA FBLA December Member of the Month! Jazmine dedicates her time towards the growth and prosperity of her and other WA FBLA chapters. Her dedication and strong leadership drive make her stand out as an outstanding member! Please visit the WA FBLA Web site for more information about Jazmine's accomplishments!

DECEMBER CHAPTER OF THE MONTH

Congratulations to **Fife High School** for being WA FBLA's December Chapter of the Month! Fife FBLA continues to work incredibly hard to promote the goals and mission of FBLA. Please visit the WA FBLA Web site for what Fife High School has accomplished!

State Officer Corner

<u>SBLC National Anthem Singer Wanted!</u> With State Conference coming up in April, we are kicking off our preparation by selecting the National Anthem Singer. All members are encouraged to apply using the link below. Applications are due by midnight on Tuesday, March 10. If you have questions, please email <u>capitalvp@wafbla.org</u>

https://leadable.info/wafbla20sblcnationalanthem

<u>Scholarship Opportunities</u>. Please encourage your students to check out the scholarship opportunities posted on WAFBLA's Instagram Page: @wafbla!

<u>Membership Handbook Competition</u>. The brand new Washington FBLA Membership Handbook is now published! It can be found on the "State Officer Projects" page of our official website, <u>www.wafbla.org</u>. It contains helpful information on recruitment, competitive event tips, National Programs, and so much more! It is designed to help guide any member as they go along their FBLA journey! There is also a handbook competition any chapter can enter for the chance to win recognition at SBLC. Information on the competition is found in the handbook itself. All submissions will be due February 15. We hope to see as many chapters as possible participate!

Welcome back to an exciting new decade of FBLA! Wishing you a week filled with love and joy!