

NC Business Leader

Future Business Leaders of America

Greetings from the President!

Greetings North Carolina FBLA,

It's great to be able to have the opportunity to speak with you again. I hope that everyone has been enjoying their first couple of weeks of school. As the new year begins the team and I are hard at work preparing for the upcoming Regional Fall Leadership Conferences and Regional Competitive Events. I hope that everyone is as excited as we are.

I wanted to talk with you a little this month about the first of the "3 C's Plan". I want to focus on communication.

Communication has been a big issue with state wide organizations from the start. The question that has been posed is "How do we keep everyone informed?" Well, with the development of the Internet we have been able to reach out a lot further than ever before.

This newsletter is a great example. We are able to put just one newsletter out onto the web and it is accessibility by millions. Also e-mail has been a

major success. With e-mail we are able to keep in contact with any FBLA advisor or member across the state. With just a click of a button we can have hundreds of people put in the loop of what is going on in our great state.

Now, how can you help? First off I would like to see more updates being sent to the website. I'm proposing that the state website adopts a forum so that individuals in FBLA can post what their chapter is up to. As I have said before I would like to see every region having the opportunity to speak with other regions. With the use of this forum a member or chapter can inform over 8,000 active NC FBLA members of the great things the NC FBLA is doing across our state. I ask that when this forum becomes up and running that everyone uses it to its fullest extent.

With the upcoming RFLC and RCE you as members and advisors will have an opportune time to network with fellow members. During the

down time at these conferences talk to and meet new people. Use these events to make friends that will last years. At my very first FBLA competition I was competing in Public Speaking I. In the first round at regionals I met a guy in the same event as myself. We talked and got to know each other a little during our time in the holding room. We both ended up taking places in that event and were to go and compete at states. I didn't have the chance to talk with him after our time at states until this year. At the end of the closing session at SLC this year I was getting into the car for the ride home. Next to me students were loading onto a charter bus. When out of no where one of the students comes running off the bus shakes my hand and gives me a hug. It was the same guy from my first year in FBLA!

Use FBLA to the fullest extend you can. With the friends you will make and the bonds you will form over these next years you will definitely make



yourself a better person. Also I wanted to encourage everyone to go to the National Fall Leadership Conference in Birmingham, Al. on November 16th and 17th. Going to national events are some of the most fun you will ever have. You don't know who you will meet. Let me speak from experience, you can make some very special friends.

I hope everyone has a wonderful month and I look forward to seeing everyone throughout the year and at our State Leadership Conference in April.

If you ever have any questions or concerns please feel free to contact me at the e-mail address below.

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Greetings form the Eastern Region!

Hello again from the Eastern region! We hope everyone had a wonderful summer and is looking forward to a great school year. The National Fall Leadership Conference will be held in Birmingham, Alabama from November 16th through the 17th. This is a terrific opportunity for FBLA members to develop new and expand their existing leadership skills, as well as network with other FBLA members from various states. We would also like to remind everyone to check the NC FBLA website for the calendar of events as regularly as possible. This calendar contains important dates and is updated constantly.

To my fellow Eastern region members, greetings! I hope everyone's summer went well. I would like to remind everyone of the Eastern region's Regional Fall Leadership Conference that will be held on Saturday, November 3rd at Northampton County High School - West. This is an opportunity for us to work on our leadership and competitive event skills on a regional level. Please be on the look out for a chapter welcome letter from me to arrive within the next couple of weeks. I hope everyone is busy recruiting new members for their chapter. Let's make the Eastern region the region with the most growth this year. I



wish everyone the best of luck in the coming school year. I hope everyone is ready to begin "Casting for Your Future!"

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Greetings from the Western Region!

Greetings from the Western Region! For the month of October, I would like to start by letting everyone know that the western region competitive events were rescheduled to Saturday, January 19, 2008. I encourage everyone to please continue to be looking at and working toward a competitive event.

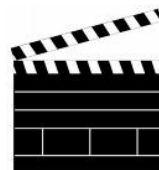
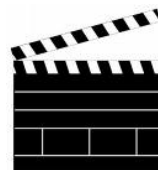
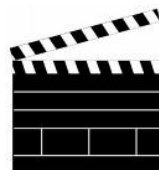
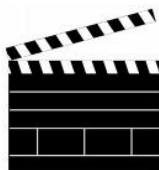
I hope everyone had a wonderful Labor Day and extended weekend to get your thoughts together about FBLA, payment of dues and events coming up. One major event coming up in mid-October will be the Western Region Fall Leadership Conference at Mitchell High

School on Friday, October 12, 2007. At this conference we will have 6 sessions including topics such as: local officer training, preparing for competitive events, dress code fashion show, personality and leadership fun and games, and a speaker from Broyhill Leadership Conference to talk about leadership. It will be an enjoyable time and I look forward to seeing you there.

Lastly, if any chapter or school is interested in starting or reactivating a FBLA chapter please let me know. Feel free to contact me if you have any other questions as well.



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Greetings from the Central Region!

Greetings Central Region!

I hope everyone is having a great start to the school year and getting back into the hang of things after summer vacation. I would like to remind everyone that our Regional Competitive Events will be on Saturday, January 5, 2008 at West Carter High School. We will start e-mailing out registrations the first week in October, so be thinking about what you want to compete in.

We are still working on our Regional Fall Leadership Conference, and I will update everyone as soon as I know. I look forward to seeing everyone at RFLC and RCE. If you have any questions, do not hesitate to ask.

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Greetings from the Triad Region!

Greetings from the Triad Region! I hope that everyone has had a great start back to school! I hope that everyone has made efforts to increase membership. There are a lot of effective ways to do this. If you need any ideas or help please contact me. I also hope that everyone is excited about their upcoming Regional Fall Leadership Conferences, as well as the National Fall Leadership Conference in Birmingham, Alabama.

Triad Region Chapters are reminded that the Triad Region Fall Leadership Conference will be held on November 10, 2007 at Overhills High School. I

look forward to seeing all of you there. Triad Region Members are also reminded that the Triad Region Competitive Events will be Held on February 2, 2008. This is a correction from my last article. If you ever have any comments, concerns, or an event you would like me to attend I am always here and willing to help all you have to do is send me an Email. As always good luck in your endeavors and start "Casting for Your Future."

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Greetings from the Southeast Region!

Greetings North Carolina from the Southeast Region! I hope your school year has been going pretty good, keep your head up and this year will be a success. Remember, as Henry David Thoreau said ... "We were born to succeed, not to fail." I hope your school year is going well. With the school year just starting there is a lot of excitement going around. Use this time to recruit more members and to learn how you can participate more than last year. Set your goals high and strive to achieve them. The state of North Carolina would like to see more winners at nationals. So as a region, let us aim

high and try to have at least five competitors. These are some high goals but I believe in you and know we will be able to do this together. Also as a state we want to "pump up" the spirit. So if you have any ideas on cheers or chants please let me know.

If you have any comments, questions or concerns please don't hesitate to e-mail me.

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Greetings from the Southwest Region

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Greetings North Carolina FBLA! I hope everyone is off to an OUTSTANDING school year and are beginning to pave the way for a triumphant year in FBLA! I know each and everyone of you will succeed in whatever it is that you set forth to do in this upcoming year and wish you the best of luck in doing so. Let's continue to prove that North Carolina is the BEST state in the "business" and is one that will not be outshone! I know you can do it!

To the Southwest Region, Greetings! I would first like to say CONGRATULATIONS on the recruitment of 4 new FBLA chapters just this month alone. The Southwest Region is known for being the largest of all the

regions in North Carolina, and continues to prove so by extraordinary member recruitment! Let's keep up the great work! The Southwest Regional Newsletter is currently under construction; I will be providing more information about the newsletter through email in the very near future. Thank you for your patience with us working on this matter. Also, keep in mind that the host school for Regional Competitive Events, North Mecklenburg High School, is still open to any ideas or suggestions you may have. However, regionals will be here before you know it, so please get those ideas/suggestions to us as soon as possible. Again, regionals will be held on January 19, 2008. Please mark this date on your calendars!

I hope that everyone has had an



enjoyable and productive first two weeks of school and I look forward to getting to know and communicate with you all in the future. Best wishes in all your FBLA activities, and I wish you good luck as you continue "CASTING FOR YOUR FUTURE" this year in FBLA!

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Greetings from the Parliamentarian!

Greetings North Carolina Future Business Leaders! I hope everyone has had a great start back to school. The parli tip for this month embraces tips for writing committee reports.

‡A **committee report** is an official statement that is formally adopted by a majority vote of the committee and that is presented to the parent body (either the entire membership or the board of directors) in the name of the committee. ‡

A detailed committee report should include the following elements:
Description of the way the committee

performed the task.
Information and facts obtained
Conclusions drawn from obtained information.
Recommendations of the committee (if there are any)
If you have any further questions please feel free to contact me at .

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