

Greetings from the President!

Greetings North Carolina FBLA,

First off I would like to say congratulations to all who competed at the regional level competitions. I would also like to give a special regard to those who placed in the top three, I look forward to seeing compete at the state level. Next month is the State Leadership Conference. I hope everyone is pumped and ready for the ultimate "Casting for your Future" experience! The State Officer Team has been working very hard preparing for this year's SLC. We are hoping this is going to be the best ever! There have been several changes to the schedule, so I wanted to take some time to let you know how this year will be different. The entire conference has been moved up to allow for ample time for travel back home. Competitions will be beginning around 2:00PM on Thursday afternoon, so please allow for ample time to arrive

and prepare for your competitions. Briefings for advisors and administrators will begin at 12:00PM. As some may be familiar with, campaign booths normally have been Friday morning, this year they will be immediately following the Opening Session, and set-up will be before. The biggest change will be on Saturday. The Awards Ceremony will begin at 9:00AM and hopefully end at NOON. The state office is requesting that everyone remains at the Awards Ceremony until the very end. We ask this for respect to all other competitors, the new incoming officers, and the outgoing state team. You deserve their respect; as well do they deserve yours. Before reasons for leaving early were because of travel at such a late hour. We hope that this schedule change will help to eliminate that problem. Remember that SLC is only the beginning. If you place in first or second in competitive event you will have the opportunity to



attend the National Leadership Conference in Atlanta, Georgia. I look forward to seeing everyone at SLC. I hope that you all are studying hard for school and your competitions. Remember to keep updated on deadlines for State Leadership Conference, registration, hotel, and competitions. I hope everyone has a wonderful month and I look forward to seeing everyone **Casting for Your Future** 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 from Eastern Region!



Greetings from the Eastern Region! We hope everyone has been paying attention to the NC FBLA Calendar of Events on the NC FBLA website. This calendar contains information on various deadlines and events. Hopefully, everyone is registered for this year's State Leadership Conference to be held from April 24th to the 26th in Greensboro, NC. February 11th through the 15th was FBLA-PBL week; we hope everyone remembered to thank their advisors for all of their hard work. Without them, nothing would be possible. Everyone planning to compete at the state

level in FBLA should be preparing for their event. SLC Online Testing will be held from March 10th to March 21st. The Eastern Region wishes everyone the best of luck in their events.

To my Eastern Region members, everyone planning to attend or compete should be busy preparing for the 2008 SLC. I hope everyone is looking forward to this year's SLC as much as I am and I wish everyone the best of luck in their events. Let's show NC FBLA that we are truly the best region. I hope to see lots of Eastern Region winners on stage

at the Awards Ceremony. As always, everyone should continue to check the NC FBLA website for important dates, deadlines, event information, and updates. As always, please feel free to contact me with any questions, concerns, or comments. I hope you all are working toward **Casting for Your Future!**

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Greetings from Western Region!

Greetings from the Western Region! For the month of March, I would like to start by encouraging everyone to continue to be practicing your competitive event if you're competing at State. Practice makes perfect even if your competitive event did not have a Regionals. Be prepared for the State Leadership Conference on April 24-26, 2008 and be ready for make everyone proud. It's only a month away!

Also, keep looking at the 2007-2008 Calendar of Activities. There are important dates that apply to everyone such as deadlines and payments. On March 1, 2008 receipt deadline for NLC national dues are due. If you have any new members that you may not have had earlier in the year, they need to be accounted for when this is sent in or they won't get to participate at the State Leadership Conference. In addition the receipt deadline for FBLA business achievement awards

needs to be received for nationals by the 1st as well.

Lastly, keep in mind March is a great time to take a chapter trip!

Feel free to contact me if you have any questions or concerns.

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Greetings from Central Region!



Greetings Central Region! We are getting closer and closer to the State Leadership Conference. I hope all are planning for your events. I know the Central Region will be represented well at the State Conference. I also hope that everyone's school year is going well. I know things start to get tough around this time with nearing exams. I hope that everyone has a safe and enjoyable

spring break, returning to school with energy to finish the school year out with flying colors.

I am very anxious about this year ending. Being a state officer has been an amazing experience. I would like to thank all central region members for allowing me the opportunity to serve you. As always, do not hesitate to e-

mail me with any questions.

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Greetings from Southeast Region!

Greetings Southeast Region! I hope you are staying healthy and flu-free! As a state we want to show regional support, therefore, I would like to congratulate Lewis Chapel Middle School on their cheer that will represent us at the State Leadership Conference. State Leadership Conference is approaching quickly, so let us all get prepared so we can be the Triumphant Southeast Region!

I would also like to say thanks to the Lewis Chapel Step Team and the Pine Forest Chamber Group for providing us with entertainment during our conference. In addition, I would like to congratulate all of our participants in the Southeast Region Competitive Events! You are all winners! To the first, second, and third place holders, I would like to further congratulate you on a job well done!

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

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Greetings from Southwest Region!

Greeting North Carolina FBLA! Wow... I can't believe that this journey is coming to an end already! It's been an amazing year, and I have enjoyed watching you grow together as a state and develop into the true Future Business Leaders that I knew you could be! As this year comes to a close, keep up the good work and please continue to CAST FOR YOU FUTURE in FBLA! Thank you for allowing me the opportunity to serve as a state officer for such a wonderful state!

Southwest Region, Greetings! Let me first say that I am so proud of you guys for having a successful Regional Competitive Events. Although we had issues with the weather, we didn't let that stop us! We persevered until we

accomplished our goal, and THAT is what being a leader is all about! Congratulations to all the 1st, 2nd, and 3rd place winners, and good luck as each and everyone of you, regional winner or not, prepare for states! I can't wait to see you all in Greensboro! Advisors, state deadlines are approaching very quickly. Make sure you keep yourselves updated with the state website. There is very useful information inside those web pages, for students and advisors alike! Take advantage of your resources! Once again, I am very excited to see you next month at the State Leadership Conference in Greensboro, NC, where you utilize all the skills you've learned over this past year, put your leadership in action, and make the final steps towards "CASTING FOR

YOU FUTURE!"

Please do not hesitate to e-mail me with any further questions, comments, or concerns.

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Greetings from the Parliamentarian!



Greetings North Carolina Future Business Leaders of America! I hope everyone is studying hard for State Leadership Conference in April. Also, I hope everyone has a great time with March of Dimes! For this month's parli tip I would like to address the types of reports. There are two general categories of reports.

1) *Annual or periodic reports of boards or standing committees:*

Submitted in accordance with requirements in the bylaws,

For information, Should summarize important work done by the board or committee

2) *Reports relating to single items of business arising during the year:*

Brief
Should only relate to a particular item.

I wish everyone a Happy St. Patrick's Day (do not forget to wear green! ☺) If you have any further questions or comments please feel free to contact me anytime at any time. Thank you!

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Greetings from Triad Region!

Greetings from the Triad Region! The State Leadership Conference is fast approaching and I hope everyone has made plans to attend. Now is the time to start preparing for your event and I look forward to seeing everyone in Greensboro.

I would like to thank all of the Triad Region Chapters that participated in the Triad Region Competitive Events. I would like to congratulate all regional winners and I wish you the best of luck at the State Leadership Conference. Advisors are reminded that we will have online testing this year prior to the State Leadership Conference and more information on this can

be found on the State Website, www.ncfbla.org. As always if you ever need anything I am always willing to help, just send me an email.

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