

NOVEMBER NEWSLETTER



GREETING FROM THE PRESIDENT

I hope everyone is off to a great start with their new school year. I know that state officer team is! This summer has been filled with exciting activities that have challenged our abilities but they have also made us better officers. We have begun to plan



many amazing things for you all and I hope you are all excited; we are! Personally things have been great for me, I just had a birthday on the 7th and every time I meet with the officer team we become closer and closer. This year will come and go faster than we think so I hope everyone takes full advantage of the opportunities placed in front of them. I will continue to have you all in my thoughts and prayers. I hope everyone chooses to compete this year on the regional level the state level and that na-

tional level. This year we are focusing on "Reaching our Peak" so I hope each one of you starts this year off with an optimistic mindset that you can achieve anything. I hope to talk to everyone soon. I do check my email daily so please feel free to contact me with any comments or concerns. Have a GREAT year!!

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REACH YOUR PEAK!

GREETINGS FROM THE PARLIAMENTARIAN

Hello everybody, it's me again, Robert Morris. Well the big thing this month is getting ready for NFLC. The majority of my fellow officers and I will be going to Washington D.C. on November 13-16 to continue to learn about FBLA and being a member in FBLA. I can't wait! Also at my own school, we just received our FBLA t-shirts and will be wearing them

the two Thursdays of each month that we are not in professional dress, to show our FBLA spirit. On Halloween night we did Trunk or Treat, where younger kids came to the back of a car we were hiding in and put candy on their poles as they "fished" into the car for candy. Well that's about it for me, see you next month. And if you are going to NFLC, have fun!

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Special points of interest:

- National Fall Leadership Conference
- Regional Competitive Events
- State Leadership Conference

GREETINGS FROM THE SOUTHEAST REGION

Greeting from the Triad Region! I am your Triad Region Vice President, Joshua Mason.

Terrific Triad Region, I would like to thank all of you who attended the Triad Region Fall Leadership Conference at High Point Central. It was wonderful to meet a lot of you and I had a blast listening to karaoke. I want to challenge you to use the information you were given at TRFLC to make this a wonderful year in FBLA. I would also like to encourage you to attend the National Fall Leadership Conference in Washington, DC starting on November 14th. If you have any suggestions for the Triad Region Competitive Events this year please feel free to share your ideas with me so I can include the voice of the entire region in our

planning. Do not forget, potential State Officers, that your application is due December 1st. Still do not forget in the coming months that FBLA has a partnership with the March of Dimes. I encourage the entire state to hold fundraisers or support the March of Dimes in any way you can. Do not feel as if you are limited to just working for the March of Dimes though. I trust that you all are striving to make the biggest difference in your communities as you can. Keep fighting and we will make FBLA the most recognizable student organization in North Carolina through the change we create. If there is anything you need or anyway I can be of service of you feel free to contact me at triadvp_fbld@yahoo.com. I am extremely excited about this year and

cannot wait to meet you all. Have a good year and remember to keep involved!

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GREETINGS FROM THE TRIANGLE EAST REGION

Greetings FBLA Members and advisors! The Triangle East Region is having a productive month so far. As you may know, our region's fall leadership conference was held October 18, 2008. It was nothing less than an absolute success. I want to give a big thank you to Ms. Sarah Doepner, East Cary Year Round Middle School FBLA members, and the school's administration for their hard work and fervent dedication. We had some outstanding speakers and workshops that, I believe, stimulated members to be successful and informed mem-



bers about business enterprises. After the regional conference, there was a "Walkathon" in partnership with the March of Dimes Organization. March of Dimes is an organization that helps premature babies with birth defects. I encourage all regions to have similar service events because the contributions that you can make through FBLA events are invaluable. March of Dimes is also supported by NC FBLA and the national FBLA organization. I am pleased to announce that our region now has a website. This website will be used to store chapter news, announcements, useful links, contact information, and other useful tools to link our region's chapters together. Keeping each other informed is a key to success in our chapters, regions, state and national chapters. The website may be found by using a search engine (keywords: NC, NC FBLA, Triangle East Region, etc.) or you may use the link on the state website. I hope you all enjoy it.

We have many other events coming up soon, including our Regional competitive events in January. I anticipate that these undertakings will be nothing less than productive and informational. Again, I continue to implore and encourage you all to e-mail me if you ever have any questions, concerns, or ideas. Please always remember that the success of FBLA or of any other venture comes from all members working together as a team not from one group of individuals because "Together Everyone Achieves More". I wish you all the best of luck in your future endeavors through FBLA.

Humbly,
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GREETINGS FROM THE CENTRAL REGION

Greeting Central Region! I would like to thank all those whom participated in the Central Regions National Fall Leadership Conference at Goldsboro High School. Although the turn out was low the day was very productive with wonderful guest speakers in the workshops to a fun and exciting keynote speaker. I am happy to inform you that the planning of Regional Competition has been under way since the beginning of October. We are all busy at work here at Croatan High School and can't wait to see the outcome. Registration is

due December 1, 2008. I hope you all have been working hard in preparation for the Central Regional Competitive Events that is going to be held on January 31, 2009 at Croatan High School. Regional's is just one step away from state competition and I hope you are all excited about competing at the new Raleigh Convention Center. The opportunities are immeasurable, and if you strive to achieve your goals success is in your horizon. The bar is set Central Region! Study hard for competition and your success will be shown up on the stage.

"Reach for the moon, and if you fall short you will land among the stars"

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GREETINGS FROM THE TRIAD REGION

Greetings from the Southeast Region! I certainly hope that everyone throughout the Southeast Region has been working hard in their FBLA Chapter over the last month and have begun prepara-



tions for the Southeast Regional Competitive Events that will be held on January 30, 2009 at Fayetteville Technical Community College Hosted by Cape Fear High School. For FBLA Members wishing to enter the competitive events please review the State Awards Handbook which can be found on the State Website for a description of all of the events as well as qualifications for each event. This year the Dress Code will be strictly enforced so also please be sure to review the FBLA Dress Code. I would like to thank all FBLA Members who participated in the Southeast Regional Fall Leadership Conference on October 10. A Special

thanks goes to Ms. Audrey Morrison and the E.E. Smith High School FBLA Chapter for their job of hosting the RFLC and of the terrific job that they did. I would also like to thank our Guest Speakers Ms. Lorraine Stephens-NC FBLA State Advisor, Mrs. Terry Burns-Assistant Principal at E.E. Smith High School, and Mrs. Yyonette Rhodes-CCS CTE Facilitator. If you have any questions, comments, or concerns please e-mail me.

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GREETINGS FROM THE SOUTHWEST REGION

The Southwest Region has been very busy getting everything in order for competitive events that are being held on Saturday December, 13th at Lincolnton High School in Lincolnton, North Carolina. The deadline for turning in your information will be on November 14th so I hope you all are working diligently to get everything turned in. We would like each of our FBLA members to bring a dime for each year of life they have lived in order to give back to March of Dimes. For example if you are sixteen years old you would bring one dollar and sixty cents with you to competitive

events. I would like to thank you all in advance for your hard work and cooperation. Begin thinking about events you would like to compete in because I want the Southwest Region to be represented fully come April. December is approaching very quickly and I would like for everyone to be fully prepared for their test if they are competing at the regional level, so start studying! If anyone would like to publish information about what their FBLA chapter is doing please do not hesitate to send it to me. North Carolina FBLA would love to

hear what you all have been doing.

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GREETINGS FROM THE EASTERN REGION

Greetings Eastern Region! November has been an great month for NCFBLA! Many good things have come and are to come in the coming months. With Regional Fall Leadership Conferences



completed, the State Officer Team is preparing for the National Fall Leadership Conference in Washington, DC. We have been left with the responsibility of holding a state meeting similar to the one at Nationals for all those who have attended from North Carolina. Also, some officers have volunteered their efforts to present workshops on different leadership qualities to FBLA members from around the country! I am honored to be one of those few to hold a workshop. I look forward to seeing all of you at the state meeting, in workshops, and hopefully my workshop if you can squeeze it in! If you plan on attending, please remember to plan

your sight-seeing around the scheduled times for FBLA events.

Thanks for helping me in keeping the Eastern Region the best! And please feel free to email me with any questions or concerns.

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Happy Thanksgiving!



GREETINGS FROM THE WESTERN REGION

Greetings from the Western Region! The recent Western Region Fall Leadership Conference was a huge success. Hosted at Brevard High School, we had a total attendance of over 165 students from five high schools in the Western Region. Participation was greatly noticed and our speakers did a wonderful job informing students. After a phone call to the local news station, we had a news team come out and have coverage of the event. This gave recognition to not only our affair, but also what the students were accomplishing while attending. Looking farther ahead, chapters should continue to prepare for our regional competitive events held on Monday, January 19, 2009. Our alternate date will be the following Saturday, January 24. We recently received support from the Phi Beta Lambda chapter of FBLA at AB-Tech in Asheville, NC in helping us plan, judge, and execute this year's competitive events. This is a key addition to our planning team and will allow members to witness

and communicate with the members of the collegiate level of FBLA. We greatly appreciate their support and hope that this addition will make our competition a bigger success. I once again encourage all of those senior members looking to attend college in state to research the scholarships available through FBLA. Take advantage of the unclaimed money that can assist you in your financial need for college. Furthermore, I hope that every chapter is participating in some sort of extracurricular activity such as charity, fundraising, or just some fun event held by the local chapter. Before departing, I would like to announce that another new addition to the Western Region has been made. This will be the second new chapter this year for the Western Region. Tuscola High School has recently started an FBLA chapter and is already underway participating in a fundraising for the homeless in Haywood County. This is a wonderful initiative on their part

and I wish them great success throughout their year. Lastly, if any school is interested in starting or reactivating an FBLA chapter, please feel free to contact me. Also, questions are always welcome, so never hesitate to ask one. I look forward to seeing everyone at Fall Leadership Conference!

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GREETINGS FROM THE SOUTHWEST REGION

Greetings Northwest Region FBLA members! Hopefully school is going well and your local chapters are busy at work. This past month the annual Northwest Regional Fall Leadership Conference was hosted by East Surry High School. Here numerous ideas and concepts were presented that pertain to effective leadership. If you were not able to attend, then I highly recommend that you attend next year's RFLC. On January 17th, 2009, the Regional Competitive Events will be hosted by Davie County High School. Please continue to pay attention as letters and emails are going to be sent out in the near future. In the meantime, please continue to study for your par-

ticular competitive event as you will be representing the Northwest Region. Many of you have probably noticed the newly launched state webpage. Hopefully this website is more user-friendly and much easier to navigate. Please take advantage of the excellent resources found on www.ncflba.org and on our regional website, <http://ncflba.org/regions/northwest/>. As always, please feel free to contact me with any questions that you may have.

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Remember the state officer team is here if you have any questions or concerns so feel free to email us at any time. We as a state officer team are preparing for a wonderful Regional Competition in each Region and are eager to see how far you all have come. Work hard, because State Competition is right around the corner...

**See you all soon!
State Officer Team**

Reach Your Peak

