

# 2024-25 Competitive Events Guidelines

## Introduction to Business Presentation



Introduction to Business Presentation provides members with the opportunity to showcase their skills in using a presentation software program as an aid in delivering a business presentation. This competitive event consists of a presentation component.

### Event Overview

**Division:** High School (9<sup>th</sup> or 10<sup>th</sup> grade only)

**Event Type:** Team of 1, 2 or 3 members

**Event Category:** Presentation

**Event Elements:** Presentation with a Topic

**Presentation Time:** 3-minute set-up, 7-minute presentation time, 3-minute question & answer time

**NACE Connections:** Career & Self-Development, Communication, Critical Thinking, Leadership, Professionalism, Teamwork, Technology

### 2024-25 Topic

You have been asked to give a presentation at the high school career fair. The topic for the presentation is *Smart Money Management Tips for High School Students*.

### Region

Each chapter may submit one (1) entry for this event to present at the Spring Regional Leadership Conference.

### State

Each region may submit one (1) entry for this event to present at the State Leadership Conference.

### National

#### Required Competition Items

	Items Competitor Must Provide	Items FBLA Provides
<b>Presentation</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Technology and presentation items</li><li>• Conference-provided nametag</li><li>• <a href="#">Photo identification</a></li><li>• Attire that meets the <a href="#">FBLA Dress Code</a></li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Table</li></ul>

#### Important FBLA Documents

- Competitors should be familiar with the Competitive Events [Policy & Procedures Manual](#), [Honor Code](#), [Code of Conduct](#), and [Dress Code](#).

#### Eligibility

- FBLA membership dues are paid by 11:59 pm Eastern Time on March 1 of the current school year or prior to regional competition, whichever comes first.
- Members may compete in an event more than once if they have not previously placed in the top ten of that event at NLC. If a member places in the top ten of an event at NLC, they are no longer eligible to compete in that event.

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- Members must be registered for the RLC/SLC/NLC and pay the conference registration fee to participate in competitive events.
- Members must stay in an official FBLA hotel block to compete.
- Each chapter may submit one entry; each region may submit one entry; each state may submit four national entries.
- Each competitor can only compete in one individual/team event and one chapter event (American Enterprise Project, Community Service Project, Local Chapter Annual Business Report, Partnership with Business Project) at the national level. RLC/SLC competitors may compete in one objective test/one performance event/ and one chapter event.
- Only competitors are allowed to plan, research, prepare, and set up their presentations.
- Each competitor must compete in all parts of an event for award eligibility.
- All members of a team must consist of individuals from the same chapter.
- Picture identification (physical or digital: driver's license, passport, state-issued identification, or school-issued identification) matching the conference nametag is required when checking in for competitive events.
- If competitors are late for their assigned presentation time, they will be allowed to compete with a five-point penalty until such time that results are finalized, or the accommodation would impact the fairness and integrity of the event.
- Some competitive events start in the before the Opening Session of SLC/NLC. The schedules for competitive events are displayed in the local time of the NLC location. Competitive event schedules cannot be changed.

### *Recognition*

- The number of competitors will determine the number of winners. The maximum number of winners for each competitive event is 10/NLC; 5/SLC; 3/RLC.

### *Event Administration*

- This event has one part: presentation
- Presentation
  - **Equipment Set-up Time:** 3 minutes
  - **Presentation Time:** 7 minutes (one-minute warning)
  - **Question & Answer Time:** 3 minutes
  - **Internet Access:** Not Provided
  - The presentation is judged at the RLC/SLC/NLC. Presentations are not open to conference attendees.
  - **Timing:** The presentation time is exclusive to the allotted times. Once the set-up time has been reached, the presentation time automatically begins. The presentation time shall not exceed the stated time, meaning that the set-up and Q&A time cannot be used as presentation time.
  - **Technology**
    - Competitors present directly from a device which includes a laptop, tablet, mobile phone, or external monitor (approximately the size of a laptop screen). Competitors can present with one or two devices. If presenting with two

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- devices, one device must face the judges and one device must face the competitors.
- Projectors and projector screens are not allowed for use, and competitors are not allowed to bring their own.
- Wireless slide advancers (such as a presentation clicker or mouse) are allowed.
- External speakers are not allowed. Only device audio can be used.
- Power is not available.
- Non-technology Items: Materials, notecards, visual aids, and samples related to the project may be used during the presentation; however, no items may be left with the judges or audience.
- Restricted Items: Animals (except authorized service animals), Food (for display only; may not be consumed by judges during the presentation), Links and QR codes (for display only; cannot be clicked or scanned by judges before, during, or after the presentation)
- Teamwork: If performing as a team, all team members are expected to actively participate in the presentation.
- Research: Facts and data must be cited and secured from quality sources.

### *Scoring*

- The presentation score will determine the winners.
- Judges must break ties.
- The decision of the judges is considered final. All announced results are final upon the conclusion of the RLC/SLC/NLC.

### *Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA)*

- FBLA meets the criteria specified in the Americans with Disabilities Act for all competitors with accommodations submitted through the conference registration system by the registration deadline.

### *Recording of Presentations*

- No unauthorized audio or video recording devices will be allowed in any competitive event.
- Competitors in the events should be aware FBLA reserves the right to record any presentation for use in study or training materials.

### *Penalty Points*

- Competitors may be disqualified if they violate the Code of Conduct or the Honor Code.
- Five points are deducted if competitors do not follow the Dress Code or are late to their assigned presentation time.

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### Introduction to Business Presentation Rating Sheet

Expectation Item	Not Demonstrated	Below Expectations	Meets Expectations	Exceeds Expectations	Points Earned
Demonstrates understanding of the event topic in presentation	<i>No understanding of event topic OR incorrect topic used</i>	<i>Understanding of topic inconsistent from the event guidelines</i>	<i>Demonstrates the topic throughout presentation</i>	<i>Demonstrates use of industry terminology throughout presentation</i>	
	0 points	1-8 points	9-12 points	13-15 points	
Describes the purpose with a logical sequence of ideas	<i>No evidence of purpose and logical sequence</i>	<i>Purpose stated OR logical sequence of ideas given</i>	<i>Purpose is described using a logical sequence of ideas</i>	<i>Purpose is well-defined and in a logical sequence of ideas</i>	
	0 points	1-8 points	9-12 points	13-15 points	
Summarizes information from the event topic and identifies recommendations	<i>No summary or recommendations identified</i>	<i>Recommendations or summary provided, but plan not developed</i>	<i>Summary was effective and logical recommendations developed</i>	<i>Summary provided logical connection to all aspects of the event topic through entire presentation, with feasible recommendations identified</i>	
	0 points	1-8 points	9-12 points	13-15 points	
Technology demonstrates proper formatting, design elements, and business presentation features	<i>No use of technology or design</i>	<i>Proper formatting and design elements are consistent with theme</i>	<i>Demonstrates with visual aids proper formatting and design elements</i>	<i>Emphasize interpretation of the topic through proper formatting and design of the presentation</i>	
	0 points	1-8 points	9-12 points	13-15 points	
Uses suitable and accurate statements of information in presentation	<i>Sources are not cited</i>	<i>Sources/References are seldom cited to support statements</i>	<i>Professionally legitimate sources &amp; resources that support statements are generally present</i>	<i>Compelling evidence from professionally legitimate sources &amp; resources is given to support statements</i>	
	0 points	1-8 points	9-12 points	13-15 points	
<b>Presentation Delivery</b>					
Statements are well-organized and clearly stated	<i>Competitor(s) did not appear prepared</i>	<i>Competitor(s) were prepared, but flow was not logical</i>	<i>Presentation flowed in logical sequence</i>	<i>Presentation flowed in a logical sequence; statements were well organized</i>	
	0 points	1-6 points	7-8 points	9-10 points	
Demonstrates self-confidence, poise, assertiveness, and good voice projection	<i>Competitor(s) did not demonstrate self-confidence</i>	<i>Competitor(s) demonstrated self-confidence and poise</i>	<i>Competitor(s) demonstrated self-confidence, poise, and good voice projection</i>	<i>Competitor(s) demonstrated self-confidence, poise, good voice projection, and assertiveness</i>	
	0 points	1-2 points	3-4 points	5 points	
Demonstrates the ability to effectively answer questions	<i>Unable to answer questions</i>	<i>Does not completely answer questions</i>	<i>Completely answers questions</i>	<i>Interacted with the judges in the process of completely answering questions</i>	
	0 points	1-6 points	7-8 points	9-10 points	
<b>Staff Only:</b> Penalty Points (5 points for dress code penalty and/or 5 points for late arrival penalty)					
<b>Presentation Total (100 points)</b>					
Name(s):					
School:					
Judge Signature:					Date:
Comments:					