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PA Future Business Leaders of America

<http://www.pafbla.org>

The official site of Pennsylvania FBLA. Find your region's FBLA chapters on this site and get them involved with PBL

National FBLA-PBL Website

<http://www.fbla-pbl.org>

The national website of the FBLA-PBL headquarters

PBL Eastern Region Website

<http://pber.fbla-pbl.org>

The regional website of the FBLA-PBL Eastern Region

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Get Ready Tennessee PBL Is Coming

For the second time in five years FBLA~PBL has had their National Conference in Nashville Tennessee. Get ready for an amazing experience, full of inspiring workshops, wonderful motivational speakers as well as national officer elections. For more information please go to the [National Website](#). It's never too early to register!

Chapters We Need Your Photos

We would like to do a slide show before the opening session containing photos from all the chapters. It will be in similar fashion as the National Conference. Please send your chapter's pictures to Kimberly at treasurer@papbl.org

Officer & Advisor Spotlight

Each issue we will be highlighting an officer or advisor on the State Board. This will familiarize the members with the officer team.



Kristofer Knittle is a senior majoring in Business Administration and Information Management & Analysis. He currently resides in Harrisburg, PA and is a graduate of Central Dauphin East High School in 2001. Kristofer recently graduated from Harrisburg Area Community College in 2004 with an Associates degree in Engineering. While at HACC he was very active on campus. He gained his leadership through serving two years as a senator of the Student Government Association, Circle K

International, Engineering Club, and playing on the men's soccer and volleyball team. Now at Shippensburg University, his dedication of involvement continues through Marketing Club, Investment Club, Phi Delta Theta Fraternity and the local chapter of PBL. Kristofer is excited to step foot into his career. He hopes to continue his involvement with Phi Beta Lambda after graduation.

PBL Chapters

To be apart of the e-News and let PA PBL know what your chapter is doing then email us. Please submit articles of your chapter activities to [Kristofer Knittle](#), the State Secretary.



Barbra Gehan is the Student Service Coordinator and an instructor for Lansdale School of Business. She has been in education for 34 years teaching all level from early childhood to adults. She has served as Senior Educational Specialist Consultant in the corporate world where she trained end user, wrote train the trainer manuals and help implemented new software applications for corporations. Barbra has been a Business Analyst for a financial company where she helped designed, developed, and implemented software applications. She holds a degree in education from Penn State and is a Certified Instructional Designer and Developer. She enjoys spending time with her husband, their four daughters and three grandchildren as well as boating.



Mary Jo Barnhart is the Student Services Coordinator and an Instructor at the Laurel Business Institute in Uniontown, PA. She was instrumental in reactivating the schools chapter in 2002. Mary Jo has a bachelor's degree in Early Childhood/Elementary Education from California State College (now California University) and is completing her Masters Degree in Education Administration at Cal. Personal interests include golf, shopping, reading attending auctions and spending time with her husband, Bruce and their two children Ryan (a college sophomore) and Becky (a high school junior.)

State Leadership Conference

This year's State Leadership Conference is right around the corner. As we all getting very excited about networking with other chapters, competing in competitive events, motivational workshops, and state officer elections remember to keep the deadlines in mind. All registration, competitive events, and state officer applications must be **RECIEVED** by **March 31, 2006**.

This year the State Executive Council has set up very interactive as well as informative and intreging workshops including "Creating Your Life's Dreams" , "Solving the Mysteries of Credit Repots" , and "The 5 C's to Decision Making". These workshops are sure to be very informative as well as great experience for your entire chapter!



Testing – There may be testing on Friday night as well as Saturday morning. Objective tests will start promptly at 8am and the doors will be locked. Must arrive early

Network Design is a team event. It is listed under individual and team. This was a mistake. Network Design is a team event and Networking Concepts is Individual. Please make sure members sign up for the correct one. Changes will not be permitted on the day of the event.

Workshops – There will be new workshops done this year and we hope that you will benefit from them greatly.

After Hours Activity – A dance will not be held this year at the conference but instead a Luau. This Hawaiian Luau will have music and entertainment and will be on pool side for those who want to get wet 'n wild.

For more information regarding the upcoming events with the state please check out our calendar. [Click Here!](#)

New Competitive Events Rules

Special notes regarding competitive events.

1. Students may now compete in two competitive events.
2. All contestants MUST furnish their own No. 2 pencils.
3. All Mr. and Ms. Future Business Executive and Teacher contestants and Job Interview contestants must turn in their letters of application and resumes at the time of registration. They will not be accepted once the first general session begins, and the student will not be permitted to compete without penalty points being levied. If they are turned in after the start of the First General Session has begun, penalty will be deducted from the competitor's final score.
4. Due to national competitive guidelines, it is imperative that each contestant refer to the 2005 - 2006 edition of the National Awards Program Booklet regarding testing procedures, qualifications for tests, and guidelines.
5. Please note that the Parliamentary Procedures team event will not be offered this year. Individuals are still invited to compete by taking the written exam. The individual scoring highest on the written exam and meeting all other criteria for the state office, will be named the state parliamentarian.
6. The following events are Home Site Testing Events. The skill component will be completed at the home school prior SLC. At the SLC an objective concept test will be given. Two (2) members per chapter may compete in these events:
 - Computer Applications (2 members per chapter)
 - Word Processing (2 members per chapter)
 - Desktop Publishing (2 on a team, 2 teams per chapter)
7. The following reports are provided in the packet and must be received by **March 31, 2006:**
 - **Outstanding Chapter Criteria**
 - **Who's Who Guidelines**
8. The correct formats for the following reports are in the current *National Guidelines* and must be received by **March 31,**

2006:

- **American Enterprise Project**
- **Community Service Project**
- **Local Chapter Annual Business Report**
- **Partnership with Business**
- **Web Site Development**

Submit all reports and testing forms so that they are received by March 31, 2006 to:

Mrs. Mary Jo Barnhart
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Contact Information

Your 2005-2006 officer team has made available their contact information for the PA local chapters.

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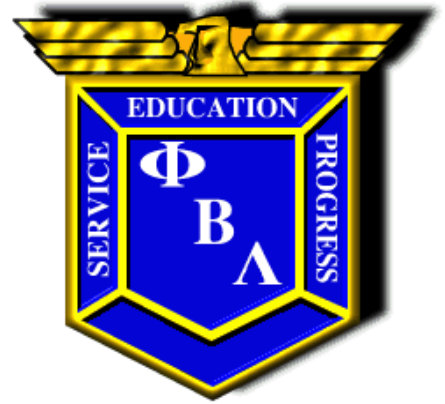
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If you have any ideas of how to improve PA PBL, don't hesitate to contact an officer and share the ideas you have with us.