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<p>SLC Advisor Information Advisor Update #3</p> <p>State Officer Candidate Information</p> <p>January 9, 2019</p>
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Running for Office - State Officer Candidate information and application packet

Any student who is planning to run for 2019-2020 state office at the SLC must review the attached "State Officer Candidate Handbook (2019)" and **submit all required information by the February 1, 2019 deadline**. Information on running for National Office is also included in the handbook.

All information will be submitted electronically. A summary of the process is:

1. Read the State Officer Candidate Handbook
2. Complete the State Officer Application Online Form (Wufoo link is provided in the appendix of the handbook)
3. Upload your completed State Officer Application (PDF fillable form)
4. Upload your completed State Officer Application Certification (signatures)
5. Upload your Essay on why you are seeking state office
6. Upload your high school transcript
7. Upload your resume

All documents are attached to this e-mail but are also posted on the Maryland FBLA website on the Resources page under "2019 State Officer Candidate Documents" The link to the page is: <http://www.mdfla.org/resources.html>

The documents attached to this e-mail and posted to the website are as follows:

- State Officer Candidate Handbook
- State Officer Application
- State Officer Application Certification (signatures)
- State Officer Financial Statement Template
- Maryland FBLA-PBL Statement of Interest - National Office candidates only

Detailed instructions on completing and uploading the documents can be found in Appendix 1 of the State Officer Candidate Handbook.

Members running for office will need to be aware of the hotel policy on campaign literature. Nothing is allowed to be posted outside of the designated area for campaigning. Candidates may not attach anything to the wall in the facility. A table will be provided to each candidate. It is recommended that candidates use table top flip charts or tri-fold boards.

****NEW for 2019** Candidate Interview and Screening Meeting.** All candidates for elected and appointed office must attend a Candidate Interview and Screening Meeting on Saturday, February 23, 2019. The time and the location of the meeting will be provided to all candidates upon preliminary acceptance of their State Officer Application materials. Candidates that are not able to attend this meeting will be disqualified from state office.

Each candidate will: 1) be interviewed by the Candidate Screening Committee (comprised of members of the Board of Directors, the State Officer Advisor, and the State Officer Coach); 2) deliver a prepared speech to the Committee (speech content to be provided); 3) discuss their additional qualifying information as described above; and 4) complete an objective test on general knowledge of FBLA-PBL.

Additional information on the Candidate Interview and Screening Meeting can be found on page 8 of the Maryland FBLA State Officer Candidate Handbook.

State Parliamentarian Appointment

The State Parliamentarian position is open to any individual who meets the criteria for state office. Candidates for State Parliamentarian must complete the state officer application and submit the completed application and all required information by the February 1, 2019 deadline. Candidates for State Parliamentarian must attend the Candidate Screening Committee Session on Thursday, March 28, 2019 at 11 a.m. along with their local chapter advisor. Candidates for State Parliamentarian will take the state officer principles of parliamentary procedure exam during the Candidate Screening Committee Session. The student scoring highest on this exam will be appointed to the office of State Parliamentarian during the Closing Session on Saturday, March 30, 2019. There is no campaigning for this position as this is an appointed position, not an elected position.

As a reminder, the Maryland FBLA regions are as follows:

Maryland FBLA Regions	
Region	Counties
1	Allegany, Frederick, Garrett, Montgomery, Prince Georges, & Washington Counties
2	Baltimore County & Baltimore City
3	Caroline, Carroll, Cecil, Dorchester, Harford, Kent, Queen Anne's, Somerset, Talbot, Wicomico, & Worcester Counties
4	Anne Arundel, Calvert, Charles, & St. Mary's Counties
5	Howard County