



Battle of the Regions Guidelines

1. Questions may be formulated from any of the FBLA-PBL state or national publications (Chapter Management Handbook, Maryland FBLA Competitive Events Guide, Tomorrow's Business Leader, Robert's Rules of Order-- Newly Revised, National FBLA-PBL World Wide Web Site, Maryland FBLA World Wide Web Site, etc.) or current news or entertainment issues from any newspaper, magazine or television program, general trivia, or topics related to content found in business education or business education related classes. See page 3 for more details and page 4 for sample questions.
2. Questions will be developed by the Maryland FBLA-PBL Board of Directors.
3. A moderator will read the questions; judges will verify if the answer is correct. Judges will use their FBLA-PBL knowledge to ascertain if a question, if not exact, is acceptable. **Judges' decisions are final.**
4. For the final round of competition, scores are recorded on a flipchart, chalkboard, or screen.
5. If a discrepancy exists between two publications, the information in the most recent publication will prevail.
6. A student may not participate in this event if he or she has participated in prior years. Current state officers may not participate.
7. Each chapter may register three students using the State Leadership Conference on-line registration system.

Qualification Round – Objective Test

1. An objective test will be given to all students registered for the event. Each student will take their own test (this is not a collaborative test).
2. The students with the top scores on the objective test will be selected to participate on the team from their region. The number of students selected from each region will be from three to five depending on the level of response received for the event. Each region's team will have an equal number of participants.

Preliminary Round

1. Three to five people from each region shall make up a team and will be determined by the Board of Directors based on the level of response received for the event.
2. Team members are lined up across the stage or in front of the stage from stage right to stage left in numerical order of their region number.
3. An announcer will give a question to each team beginning in numerical order by region. The first team member will have a chance to answer the question within ten seconds. A timekeeper will state when the ten seconds are up. If the team member answers incorrectly, the next region's team member will attempt to answer the same question.
4. If more than one answer is given by a team member, the first answer will be the only one used by the judges.
5. When the question has been answered correctly, a new question will be asked of the next region's team member. If no one answers correctly, the question is discarded. Another question is given with no one disqualified from the previous question.
6. Team members are not allowed to discuss the question. The audience is asked to remain quiet and not to respond to the question.



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7. When a team member answers incorrectly, he/she will leave the stage, only after the question has been answered correctly.
8. Questions will be asked of team members until only two regions are represented. All team members of these two remaining teams will participate in the finals.

Final Round

1. Two regions will be represented in the finals.
2. Each region has a bell placed in the center of its table. When the moderator asks a question, team members may discuss the answer among themselves. The first region team member to ring the bell gets the chance to answer the question first. The person who rings the bell must answer the question. Each correct answer is worth 5 points.
3. If an answer given is incorrect, the other region team has the opportunity to answer the question. Only five seconds will be allowed to give an answer in the finals. After time is up, another question will be given.
4. If members of both teams ring the bell at the same time, the question may be thrown out and another question would be asked.
5. There will be no penalty points for incorrect answers.
6. The team that reaches 50 points first will be the winner.
7. The first and second-place team members will receive awards.



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Questions may come from, but are not limited to, the following areas:

- National FBLA Handbook (Chapter Management Handbook)
- National FBLA Bylaws
- National Publications (Tomorrow's Business Leader)
- Information about the National Organization
 - Administrative regions
 - National staff
 - National officers
 - National Board of Directors
 - National Awards Program committee
 - Calendar of events
 - Pledge, Creed, Goals, Code of Ethics
- National Programs
 - Partnerships
 - Recognition program
 - Service projects (i.e., March of Dimes)
 - National conferences
- National Awards Program
 - Information about particular events
 - Number of entries
 - Specific event regulations
 - National event sponsorships
- Parliamentary Procedure
 - Ranking motions
 - Classification of motions
 - General parliamentary procedure rules
 - Parliamentary procedure terms
- Maryland FBLA
 - Important people (Board of Directors, State Officers)
 - Important dates
 - General information
 - Projects
 - History
- World Wide Web and Social Media
 - Facebook (National FBLA and Maryland FBLA pages)
 - Twitter (National FBLA and Maryland FBLA accounts)
 - World Wide Web (National FBLA-PBL and Maryland FBLA World Wide Web Sites)
- Current events
 - Important people
 - Sports
 - Politics
 - Business/Industry news
 - Maryland's impact on national economy
 - Pop culture
- General business knowledge
 - Business publications
 - Textbooks
 - World Wide Web Sites



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Sample questions

1. Who is the current Maryland FBLA State President and what school is he/she from?
2. What are the official colors of FBLA?
3. Which of the following is not a tab in the Chapter Management Handbook?
4. Which of the following events is not a team event?
5. In the chapter installation ceremony, what is the color of the candle for the parliamentarian?
6. Who is the current FBLA Southern Region Vice President and what state is he/she from?
7. How many days prior to a National Leadership Conference must voting delegates be certified?
8. At the State Leadership Conference, what percentage of the overall score is the written test worth in the Computer Applications event?
9. Who nominates members of the National Board of Directors?
10. What is the phone number for the National FBLA-PBL office?
11. Which of the following is not a classification of membership according to the National Bylaws?
12. Which of the following is NOT a required activity to achieve the Leader Level in the Business Achievement Awards Program?
13. What is the parliamentary procedure term that means to send an item to a committee?
14. What classification is the motion "lay on the table"?
15. Who is the Governor of Maryland?
16. What two teams played in the World Series?
17. Where did the most recent Olympic Games take place?
18. Who is the head of the Federal Reserve?
19. Name the inventor of Microsoft?
20. What is the highest grossing film of all time?