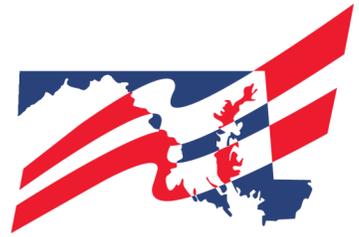


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Save the Date!

Regional Leadership Conferences

Region 1	February 12, 2015	<i>Allegany High School</i>
Region 2	February 17, 2015	<i>Catonsville High School</i>
Region 3	February 4, 2015	<i>North Hartford High School</i>
Region 4	February 12, 2015	<i>Chesapeake (AA Co) High School</i>
Region 5	February 3, 2015	<i>Marriotts Ridge High School</i>

Maryland State Leadership Conference | April 23-25, 2015
Hunt Valley Inn, Maryland

National Leadership Conference | June 24-27, 2015
Chicago, Illinois



Your state officer team stepping up to the challenge at NFLC DC 2014!

National Fall Leadership Conference ...and a goat.

On November 6-7, 2014, the Maryland FBLA delegation had the opportunity to attend the National Fall Leadership Conference in Washington D.C. Similar to the National Leadership Conferences, the NFLC is more affordable and closer to home. People traveled from all over the country and participated in many workshops in addition to meeting the new National Officer Team. The conference was absolutely incredible and filled with invaluable knowledge from the workshops ranging from Competition Tips to a guide on how to jumpstart your very own business. The most memorable workshop by far was the market simulation: "It's All in the Chips." Participants engaged in a fast-paced game where everyone rushed to make as many sales transactions as humanly possible.

Even though the activity was loads of fun, everyone learned new strategies such as targeting high sales volumes or higher prices. Although there were numerous workshops of all sorts, shapes, and sizes, the highlight of the conference were the two amazing keynote speakers, Josh Shipp and Hoan Do. These gods among men truly inspired everyone in the vicinity with their sincere messages and wild antics. Even though the audience was constantly laughing (courtesy of Josh Shipp's "and a goat" joke), many walked away feeling energized and ready to change the world! Overall, the National Fall Leadership Conference in Washington D.C. was breathtaking and thought-provoking! It was great to see all of our Maryland FBLA members step up to the challenge!



Maryland FBLA is always happy to help the March of Dimes!

March of Dimes Signature Chefs Auction

FBLA has supported the March of Dimes for quite a while now. On November 3, 2014, the State Officer Team stepped up to the challenge and served at the March of Dimes Signature Chefs Auction! 2014 marked the 15th anniversary of this extravagant event; it has raised over a million dollars for premature babies since 2000. The fundraiser was absolutely to-die-for! Attendees were blessed with the culinary creations of over 30 of the area's celebrated chefs all in one evening. Guests also had the opportunity to participate in the silent auction where they bid for all sorts of items ranging from signed baseball bats to baby baskets. The Maryland FBLA officers helped out in every way they could, whether by overseeing the silent auction or simply just greeting the evening's guests. The Signature Chefs Auction was a huge success, and Maryland FBLA is proud to continue our support of National FBLA-PBL's community service partner, the March of Dimes.

You can follow suit and organize your own local fundraisers with these neat ideas!

Coin-raisers

Chapters can coordinate with their school to collect as many dimes as they can for prematurity.

Dance for Babies

Throw a fun social for your school's students and raise money for the March of Dimes cause!

Walk-a-Thons

Chapters can organize a walk where members seek pledges of a few dimes for every mile they walk.