

# MARYLAND FBLA NEWSLETTER

Future Business Leaders of America

## Special Points of Interest:

- *Regional Conferences*
- *Detailed Date Information*

## REGIONAL CONFERENCES

Regional conferences are in full swing. Our conferences hold promises of fun, engagement, and excitement, and they are important stepping blocks to help you improve your competition and leadership skills. However, even as you study to prepare for the tests, performances, and presentations, keep in mind this year's FBLA theme: CONNECT. Divya Kapoor, the Vice President of the Maryland FBLA team says this is very important: "This year is all about connecting. The close-knit environment at each regional conference fosters a sense of community spirit and encourages us all to connect with other FBLA members, advisors, and local business leaders. At your regional conference, make the most out of the experience by getting to know at least one FBLA member, educator, or leader in your community." Good luck in your preparation, and be ready to CONNECT!

Region	Date	Location
Region 1	February 11, 2016	Largo High School
Region 2	February 17, 2016	Dulaney High School
Region 3	February 17, 2016	Worcester Technical High School
Region 4	February 06, 2016	North County High School
Region 5	February 13, 2016	Mt. Hebron High School

Mark your calendars with the date of your region's conference, and make sure you have a ride to the high school at which it is taking place!

## DETAILED DATE INFORMATION

Keep in mind that there are some dates coming up that are very important to remember:

1. Regional Testing closes on February 9th (due to the blizzard). At this time, all of the windows to test online for students will be closed. Make sure that all of the students that are enrolled to compete in a testing event for the state conference complete their testing by the time— this IS the regional conference for students who are in test events!
2. Your regional conference dates are also very important. The chart above shows all of the dates and locations of the regional conferences, as well as what you need to remember.
3. Straight-to-state due dates. Some products need to be turned in prior to the State Leadership Conference, so make sure you are working on your products and know when they are due to your advisor.

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## DATES TO BE AWARE OF:

### FEBRUARY

- 1–28<sup>th</sup> National Career and Technical Education Month
- 1<sup>st</sup> LifeSmarts Competition begins  
Virtual Business Finance Challenge begins (10 a.m. EST.)  
Virtual Business Management Competition begins (10 a.m. EST.)
- 4<sup>th</sup> Online Regional Testing closes
- 6<sup>th</sup> Region 4 Conference
- 7–13<sup>th</sup> FBLA-PBL Week
- 8<sup>th</sup> National Presidents' Forum & FBLA Fight to the Finish (FBLA-PBL Week)
- 9<sup>th</sup> Each One Reach One Day (FBLA-PBL Week)
- 10<sup>th</sup> Adviser Appreciation Day/Professional Attire Day (FBLA-PBL Week)

### FEBRUARY (cont.)

- 11<sup>th</sup> Region 1 Conference  
Career Awareness Day (FBLA-PBL Week)
- 12<sup>th</sup> FBLA-PBL Spirit Day (FBLA-PBL Week)
- 13<sup>th</sup> Region 5 Conference  
Community Service Day (FBLA-PBL Week)
- 17<sup>th</sup> Region 3 Conference  
Region 2 Conference
- 18<sup>th</sup> Region 1 Conference (Snow Date)
- 20<sup>th</sup> Region 5 Conference (Snow Date)
- 24<sup>th</sup> Region 3 Conference (Snow Date)
- 26<sup>th</sup> LifeSmarts Competition, Virtual Business Finance Challenge ends, Virtual Business Management Competition ends (5 p.m. EST.)

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