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Dear Colorado FBLA Adviser,

Thank you to each of the returning advisers, and welcome to our new colleagues! In preparation for the 2023 – 2024 school year, I wanted to share some important information with you about our year ahead.

Membership Dues

To account for inflationary pressure, the Colorado FBLA Board of Directors approved an increase in membership dues for Middle and High School divisions, to be effective starting in the 2023-24 school year. Please note that the National Board of Directors has also approved of a national dues increase.

Dues for each division, effective August 2023:

Middle School Division: \$15 total (*\$10 to National FBLA, \$5 to Colorado FBLA*)

High School Division: \$20 total (*\$10 to National FBLA, \$10 to Colorado FBLA*)

Collegiate Division: \$20 total (*\$10 to National FBLA, \$10 to Colorado FBLA*)

New Membership & Conference Registration Systems

National FBLA has transitioned to a new membership system called FBLA Connect, powered by Greek Track. This will be the go-to site for updating your chapter records, paying dues, chatting with other advisers (to replace the Leadership Community), and where advisers and members can access the BAAs. National FBLA will be offering virtual trainings in August, and they will be sharing training documents at the start of the school year.

Colorado FBLA is also moving to a new conference registration system called Blue Panda, the same system National FBLA used for NLC registration. You will not need to use Blue Panda until it is time to register for your District Leadership Conference. Colorado FBLA will provide a step-by-step tutorial to assist with registration at that time.

Competitive Events Updates

Updated competitive events are posted at www.coloradofbla.org/programs. Updated guidelines should be released by Nationals in September. The Middle School division has no changes from last year. The Collegiate division has 36 competitive events – please review the events through the link above.

The High School division has made the following competitive events changes:

- Business Financial Plan → Financial Statement Analysis (new name)
- E-Business → Website Coding & Development (new name)
- Political Science → Public Policy and Advocacy (new name)
- Publication Design → Visual Design (new name)
- NEW EVENT: Future Business Educator (now a national event!)
- NEW EVENT: Introduction to Programming

FBLA inspires and prepares students to become community-minded business leaders in a global society through relevant career preparation and leadership experiences.



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Updates to the Colorado Peak Awards (High School Division only)

Thank you to the advisers who provided constructive feedback with last year's Peak submissions. This year, the Peak Awards have been restructured to align directly with the National Champion Chapter program. Colorado FBLA encourages chapters to participate in both programs. The new Peak Awards information can be found at www.coloradofbla.org/high-school-programs, under Progress.

A Look Ahead to 2024-2025: Redistricting (High School Division only)

Colorado FBLA is growing! We are thrilled to have so many more members throughout our state. This increased membership has also placed pressure on several districts. The Colorado FBLA Board of Directors approved a redistricting plan for the 2024-2025 school year. Some schools will shift to a new FBLA district, and a new District 12 will be created. Please note, this is NOT going into effect until the 2024 - 2025 school year. The new districts are posted at <https://www.coloradofbla.org/24-25-redistricting-plan>. Schools in the new District 12 will be contacted in the fall to select an adviser for the Colorado FBLA Board of Representatives.

Thank you all, again, for your continued support and dedication towards FBLA. Please reach out at any time with questions or concerns.

Looking forward to a great year ahead!

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Molly A. Davis".

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