



PREJUDGED REPORTS AND PRESENTATION EVENTS

Overview

These events consist of two (2) parts: a prejudged report and a presentation. Competitors are required to complete both parts for award eligibility.

Eligibility

States may submit four (4) entries for these events. Competitors must have paid FBLA national and state dues by 11:59 p.m. Eastern Time on March 1 of the current school year.

NLC Registration

Participants must be registered for the NLC and pay the national conference registration fee in order to participate in competitive events.

Finals

A maximum of fifteen (15) finalists, or an equal number from each group in the preliminary round, will advance to the final round.

Event	Equipment Setup Time	Prep Time	Performance Time	Warning Time	Time Up	Penalty Over Time (5 pts)	Q&A (3 min.)
American Enterprise Project	5 min.	NA	7 min.	6 min.	7 min.	Yes	Yes
Business Financial Plan	5 min.	NA	7 min.	6 min.	7 min.	Yes	Yes
Business Plan	5 min.	NA	7 min.	6 min.	7 min.	Yes	Yes
Community Service Project	5 min.	NA	7 min.	6 min.	7 min.	Yes	Yes
Local Chapter Annual Business Report	Only prejudged written report						
Partnership with Business Project	5 min.	NA	7 min.	6 min.	7 min.	Yes	Yes

Event Name	Submission by 2 nd Friday in May	# of Pages	Specific Guidelines
American Enterprise Project <i>Rating Sheets: page 83</i>	PDF must be uploaded	15	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The project must promote an awareness of some facet of the American enterprise system within the school and/or community and be designed for chapter participation. Reports must describe chapter activities conducted between the previous State Leadership Conference and the current State Leadership Conference.
Business Financial Plan <i>Rating Sheets: page 87</i>	PDF must be uploaded	15	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Establish and develop a complete financial plan for a business venture by writing a report on the topic below. A one-page description of the plan should be the first page of the report (not included in page count). <p>2016 NLC Topic</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <i>You just recently graduated from your university with a degree in Health and Physical Fitness. You played two sports at your university and continue to remain healthy by working out and eating well. Your dream has been to open your own athletic club with high-end equipment, structured class exercise rooms, cardio exercise equipment, weight machines, and free weights. You want to offer 30- and 60-minute massages and personalized fitness plans. You will have locker rooms and operate 24 hours/7 days a week. There is an opportunity to grow and hire other employees who could be personal trainers working with you in the same school of philosophy.</i> <p><i>You have thousands of dollars of debt and no disposable income because you have not been hired for your first job since graduating. You really want to open this athletic club. You are planning to open your own facility in a 15,000 square foot, stand-alone building. You will need equipment, inventory, software for schedules, and more to open your doors.</i></p> <p><i>You did your research and you found a great opportunity to present your idea including a business financial plan to a major Angel Investor who may want to invest in your plan.</i></p> <p><i>Prepare a well-written business financial plan following the parameters and FBLA Performance Indicators as assigned. You will need to submit your report and then give a seven-minute presentation to the Angel Investor (judges).</i></p>



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Business Plan <i>Rating Sheets: page 89</i>	PDF must be uploaded	30	<p>An effective business plan should include the following information: <i>Executive Summary</i> provides a brief synopsis of the key points and strengths included in the plan.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Company Description</u> includes basic details of the business, including an overview, location, legal structure, and organization. • <u>Industry Analysis</u> provides an analysis of the larger industry in which the business will belong; analyzes key trends and players in the industry; demonstrates an understanding and awareness of external business decisions. • <u>Target Market</u> provides a brief overview of the nature and accessibility of the targeted audience. • <u>Competitive Analysis</u> includes an honest and complete analysis of the business' competition and demonstrates an understanding of the business' relative strengths and weaknesses. • <u>Marketing Plan and Sales Strategy</u> demonstrates how the business' product or service will be marketed and sold; includes both strategic and tactical elements of the marketing and sales approach. • <u>Operations</u> provides an overview of business operations on a day-to-day basis, including production processes, physical facility reviews, use of technology, and processes followed to ensure delivery of products or services. • <u>Management and Organization</u> describes the key participants in the new business venture and identifies human resources the business can draw upon as part of the management team, employee pool, consultants, directors, or advisers. It also portrays the role each will play in the business' development, and discusses compensation and incentives. • <u>Long-Term Development</u> gives a clear vision of where the business will be in three (3), five (5), or more years. It offers an honest and complete evaluation of the business' potential for success and failure and identifies priorities for directing future business activities. • <u>Financials</u> indicate the accounting methodology to be used by the business. Discuss any assumptions made in projecting future financial results. Present projections honestly and conservatively. • <u>Appendix</u> includes copies of key supporting documents (e.g., certifications, licenses, tax requirements, codes, letters of intent or advance contract, endorsements, etc.). • Note: Business must not have been in operation more than 12 months.
Community Service Project <i>Rating Sheets: page 93</i>	PDF must be uploaded	15	<p>Reports must describe one (1) chapter project that serves the community. The project must be in the interest of the community and designed for chapter participation. Include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • description of the project • chapter member involvement • degree of impact on the community • evidence of publicity received • project evaluation
Local Chapter Annual Business Report <i>Rating Sheet: page 118</i>	PDF must be uploaded Only prejudged	15	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Report must not exceed fifteen (15) pages. • Divider pages and appendices are optional and must be included in the page count. • Report should include the chapter's program of work. • Report describes activities of the chapter that were conducted between the start of the previous State Leadership Conference and the current State Leadership Conference.



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Partnership with Business Project <i>Rating Sheets: page 126</i>	PDF must be uploaded	15	Demonstrate the development and implementation of an innovative, creative, and effective partnership plan. Include: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • description of the partnership goals and planning activities • roles of business leaders and chapter members in developing and implementing the partnership • results, concepts learned, and impact of the project • provide degree of involvement (hours spent, personal contact, executives and department heads contacted) • examples of publicity and recognition received as a result of the partnership

Report Guidelines

- Competitors must prepare reports. Advisers and others are not permitted to write reports.
- The state chair/adviser must upload a PDF of the report by 11:59 p.m. Eastern Time on the second Friday in May.
- Front cover is not counted against page limit.
- American Enterprise Project, Community Service, Local Chapter Annual Business Report, and Partnership with Business Project should include the name of school, state, name of the event, and year (20XX–XX). Business Financial Plan and Business Plan should also include the names of participants.
- Divider pages and appendices are optional and must be included in the page count.
- Reports must include a table of contents and page numbers.
- Pages must be numbered and formatted to fit on 8½" x 11" paper.
- Chapter reports start from previous State Leadership Conference to current State Leadership Conference.
- Follow the rating sheet sequence when writing the report.
- If information is not available for the particular criterion, include a statement to that effect in your report.
- Points will be deducted if the written project doesn't adhere to the guidelines.
- Project content is prejudged before the NLC. The presentation of the project is judged at the NLC.
- Prejudged materials, visual aids, and samples related to the project may be used during the presentation; however, no items may be left with the judges or audience.
- The report scores will be used to break a tie.
- Reports must be original, current, and not submitted for a previous NLC.
- Reports submitted for competition become the property of FBLA-PBL, Inc. These reports may be used for publication and/or reproduced for sale by the national association.

Performance Guidelines

- Visual aids related to the project may be used; however, no items may be left with the judges or audience.
- Final performances may be open to conference attendees, space permitting. Finalists may not view other competitors' performances in their event.

Technology Guidelines

- Internet access will not be provided.
- Five (5) minutes will be allowed to set up and remove equipment or presentation items.
- See page 53 for additional guidelines.

Penalty Points Deducted by Judges

- Five (5) points are deducted if competitors do not follow the dress code.
- Five (5) points may be deducted for presentations over the allotted time.
- Five (5) points may be deducted for not following guidelines.

Performance Competencies

- See page 53.

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Report Rating Sheet

Evaluation Item	Not Demonstrated	Does Not Meet Expectations	Meets Expectations	Exceeds Expectations	Points Earned
Content					
Executive Summary <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Convinces reader that business concept is sound and has a reasonable chance of success • Is concise and effectively written 	0	1–7	8–14	15–20	
Company Profile <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Legal form of business • Effective date of business • Company mission statement/vision • Company governance • Company location(s) • Immediate development goals • Overview of company’s financial status 	0	1–5	6–10	11–15	
Industry Analysis <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Description of industry (size, growth rates, nature of competition, history) • Trends and strategic opportunities within industry 	0	1–5	6–10	11–15	
Target Market <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Target market defined (size, growth potential, needs) • Effective analysis of market’s potential, current patterns, and sensitivities 	0	1–5	6–10	11–15	
Competition <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Key competitors identified • Effective analysis of competitors’ strengths and weaknesses • Potential future competitors • Barriers to entry for new competitors identified 	0	1–5	6–10	11–15	
Marketing Plan and Sales Strategy <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Key message to be communicated identified • Options for message delivery identified and analyzed including Web process • Sales procedures and methods defined 	0	1–5	6–10	11–15	
Operations <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Business facilities described • Production plan defined and analyzed • Workforce plan defined and analyzed • Impact of technology 	0	1–5	6–10	11–15	
Management and Organization <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Key employees/principals identified and described • Board of directors, advisory committee, consultants, and other human resources identified and described • Plan for identifying, recruiting, and securing key participants described • Compensation and incentives plan 	0	1–5	6–10	11–15	

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Long-term Development <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Goals for three-, five- or more years are identified and documented Risks and potential adverse results identified and analyzed Strategy in place to take business toward long-term goals 	0	1-5	6-10	11-15	
Financials <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Type of accounting system to be used is identified Financial projections are included and reasonable 1st year monthly cash flow 1st year monthly income statement Yearly income statements for years 1, 3 & 5 Financial assumptions clearly identified 	0	1-7	8-14	15- 20	
Supporting Documents <ul style="list-style-type: none"> May include works cited page, certifications, licenses, tax requirements, codes, technical descriptions, advance contracts, endorsements, etc. 	0	1-5	6-10	11-15	
Comments:					
Report Format					
Clear and concise presentation with logical arrangement of information following the rating sheet categories	0	1-3	4-7	8-10	
Professional written presentation appropriate to audience	0	1-2	3-4	5	
Correct grammar, punctuation, spelling, and acceptable business style	0	1-3	4-7	8-10	
Comments:					
Subtotal				/200 max.	
Penalty Points Deduct five (5) points each for not adhering to Report Guidelines (maximum of twenty [20] points): <input type="checkbox"/> missing cover information <input type="checkbox"/> missing table of contents <input type="checkbox"/> over thirty (30) pages <input type="checkbox"/> no page numbers <input type="checkbox"/> report format does not follow rating sheet					
Total Points				/200 max.	

Name(s): _____

School: _____ State: _____

Judge's Signature: _____ Date: _____

Judge's Comments:

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Performance Rating Sheet

 Preliminary Round

 Final Round

Evaluation Item	Not Demonstrated	Does Not Meet Expectations	Meets Expectations	Exceeds Expectations	Points Earned
Content					
Description of business concept and company profile	0	1-2	3-4	5	
Marketing aspects of business are thoroughly covered	0	1-5	6-10	11-15	
Description of operations and management plans	0	1-3	4-7	8-10	
Financial documents and projections are reasonably easy to understand	0	1-7	8-14	15-20	
Risks are anticipated, analyzed and planned for	0	1-3	4-7	8-10	
Long-term goals are identified and reasonable	0	1-3	4-7	8-10	
Comments:					
Delivery					
Statements are well-organized and clearly stated; appropriate business language used	0	1-3	4-7	8-10	
Demonstrates self-confidence, poise, and good voice projection	0	1-2	3-4	5	
All team members actively participate in the presentation	0	1-2	3-4	5	
Demonstrates the ability to effectively answer questions regarding business start-up logistics	0	1-3	4-7	8-10	
Comments:					
Subtotal					/100 max.
Time Penalty Deduct five (5) points for presentation over seven (7) minutes. Time:					
Dress Code Penalty Deduct five (5) points when dress code is not followed.					
Total Points					/100 max.
Report Score					/200 max.
Final Score (add total points and report score)					/300 max.

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School: _____ State: _____

Judge's Signature: _____ Date: _____

Judge's Comments: