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Important dates to remember (State Events/Deadlines shown in **BOLD**):

- January 1 – Action Awareness Begins
- **February 1 – REGISTRATION FOR ROLE PLAY TESTING OPENS**
- **February 1 – North Central Region Winter Leadership Conference**
- **February 1 – Northwest Region Winter Leadership Conference**
- **February 3 – West Central Region Winter Leadership Conference**
- **February 4 – Puget Sound Region Winter Leadership Conference**
- **February 6 – Northeast Region Winter Leadership Conference**
- **February 7 – Southeast Region Winter Leadership Conference**
- **February 7 – Capital Region Winter Leadership Conference**
- February 2 – Spring Stock Market Game Begins
- February 2-8 – FBLA Week
- **February 14 – REGISTRATION DEADLINE FOR ROLE PLAY TESTING**
- **February 17-28 – Role Play Testing**
- March 1 – Action Awareness Ends
- **March 1 -BAA/CSA Submission Deadline**
- **March 6 – SBLC Registration Deadline**

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Greetings, Advisers!

**TEACHFBLA**

Have you logged into TeachFBLA recently? This Web site is a very useful tool to use with your members during a meeting! Have you used the Pick Your Event tool yet? Even at this point in



the year you can use it to identify Wild Cards and Plus Ones for your chapter! We hope you will check it out prior to SBLC!

To access TeachFBLA visit [teachfbla.org/Washington/](http://teachfbla.org/Washington/). Login with the username of **wafbla** and the password of **opportunity**. Once you are logged in, click on the ACCESS RESOURCES blue button in the middle of your screen. Use the Resources tab at the top of your screen to access the various levels. Level 1 and 2 offer resources with many more to come as the year progresses. The Website will continue to evolve over the next several years.

### **SBLC JUDGES NEEDED!**

We still need at least 100 more judges for SBLC this year in Spokane. Please encourage alumni, friends, family, chaperones, and parents to sign up as judges. The sign up form is available at on our Web site at this [link](#).

### **MEMBERSHIP**

Grade and gender are required fields this year. Some advisers registered members without including these fields. Not having a grade level for a student will affect state and national competition. Please be sure to go back into your list of members and add grade and gender. To do this, you can login into your chapter profile, click on Manage Students, and scroll over to the additional information tab on the student you wish to add this information. You can add the grade and gender from the drop down and save menu. Please complete this task before SBLC where grade level will be monitored for competitions.

### **MARCH OF DIMES MARCH FOR BABIES**

If your chapter is looking for a way to get involved with the March of Dimes, check out these March for Babies happening around our state.

- Snohomish County March for Babies – April 25
- Spokane March for Babies – April 25
- Seattle (Greater Puget Sound) March for Babies – May 2
- Tacoma (South Sound) March for Babies – May 9
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### **MBA RESEARCH**

Be sure to check out the MBA Research materials as you are helping your students get ready for competition. Check out their materials at the following link:

<https://mbaresearch.org/index.php/curriculum-teaching/student-organizations/fbla>

### **LEAD4CHANGE**

If you are a Google Classroom educator, Lead4Change has an important update just for you.

The student lessons are now available as Google Docs, which can be copied into your Google Classroom and shared with students.

We continue to offer digital lessons in an editable PDF format for any type of school portal. We recognized, earlier this year, that the PDF format was not easily shared among student teams in Google Classroom.

Head over to the Lesson section of your Lead4Change member account to see all of the available choices:

- Print lessons
- Digital lessons (editable PDF)
- Google Classroom lessons (Google Docs)

Lead4Change lessons are available in the 12-lesson or 6-lesson track. The information is the same, simply formatted for a shorter or longer class period. Take a look today!

### **STATE OFFICER CORNER**

**FBLA Week!** It's almost the time of the year we've all been waiting for... FBLA-PBL Week! This year from February 2-8, chapters are encouraged to publicize their activities, boost their membership, and gear up for spring events. A full list of daily themes can be found on the FBLA-PBL national website [here](#). Remember, participating in FBLA-PBL week can earn your chapter

- Action Awareness points (part 3 of the national program, Chapter Challenges)
- Champion chapter points
- Count towards Community Service Awards (CSAs) and Business Achievement Awards (BAAs) for chapter members!

Don't miss out on this great opportunity!

**Participate in CTSO Advocacy!** Do your chapter members demonstrate a desire to inform others about their powerful FBLA experiences and/or strengthen relationships with decision-makers in the community? If so, we highly encourage your chapter to Invite a Legislator to a chapter activity in February to celebrate National CTE Month! To learn more about what CTSO Advocacy is and how your chapter can get started, please take a look at this [toolkit](#) and find a time to chat with a State Officer [here](#).

**New Initiative! Competitive Event Mentorship!** Preparing for competitive events can be a difficult task for members, especially underclassmen and FBLA-ML members. The State Officers have developed a new initiative based on mentorship between FBLA upperclassmen members/alumni and highly qualified current WA FBLA members. We ask you to have your top two qualifying students who would be interested in providing support and knowledge fill out the [form](#) online. If you have underclassmen who would like mentoring from a qualified alumni/upperclassmen, please complete this [form](#). Check your emails for more information about this initiative and who to reach out to for questions.

**Award Sponsorships.** Advisers, if you or someone you know would like to sponsor an event, please complete this [form](#) on our Web site. Thank you!

Wishing everyone a cheery start to the week!