TO: District IV High School FBLA Advisers

FROM: Carie Maroon, District IV FBLA Coordinator

DATE: NOVEMBER 15, 2025

SUBJECT: District IV Spring Leadership Conference

SPRING LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE:
I look forward to seeing each of you and your FBLA members at our District IV Spring Leadership Conference on **Wednesday, February 4, 2026 at UAHT - Hempstead Hall, Hope**. The registration area will be open from 8:00 a.m. to 8:45 a.m. (HEMPSTEAD HALL LOBBY) for you to pick up your conference programs, name badges, etc. Events will begin at 9:00 a.m. and the first general session at 9:30 with a required officer candidate meeting at 9:15 a.m. on the stage. A program will be placed on the District IV Website when it is close to being finalized. I will also send an email when the program is ready.

CONFERENCE LINKS:
All conference information can be found on our District IV Website. Information will be on the Spring Conference tab and the Competitive events tab.
http://www.arfblaiv.com

Blue Panda Online Registration Link:
https://app.gobluepanda.com/Login

ONLINE REGISTRATION:
Once again all conference registration will be done online. The online registration window will be Monday, December 1 through Friday, December 19. There is a registration option to include your chapter's Voting Delegates and Who's Who in FBLA. Check out the Online Registration Instructions (found on the website) for more help.

We will conduct all objective tests at the four area coops again this year. All schools will test at one of four coops instead of at school with a proctor. There will be two time slots for each testing date. Students will need to bring a device such as a Chrome Book for OBJECTIVE TESTS. If necessary, devices will be provided upon the request TO the coordinator. The testing times for each location will be 9:00 a.m. and 11:00 a.m. You will select your testing site and time via Google Form.

- **Dawson Coop, Arkadelphia**
  - Thursday, January 8
  - Tuesday, January 13
- **Southwest Coop, Hope**
  - Thursday, January 15
  - Tuesday, January 20
- **South Central Coop, Camden**
  - Wednesday, January 14
  - Friday, January 23
- **DeQueen/Mena Coop, Gillham**
  - Wednesday, January 21

Registration fees will be as follows:

- **$20 per member**
- **Adviser and guest registration are complimentary**. Guest registration is extended to chaperones.

After you have registered your chapter online, you will need to print a copy of your chapter's online registration and **mail either a school check, chapter check, or money order made payable to District IV FBLA**. Your registration check in the form of a school check, chapter check, or money order should be postmarked no later than **January 29.**

Mail to: District IV FBLA, % Carie Maroon, PO Box 339, Murfreesboro, AR 71958

CONFERENCE ATTIRE:

All conference attendees must be dressed according to the National FBLA Dress Code/Business Attire as described on the National FBLA Website. The dress code policy is on the District Website. https://www.arfblaiv.com. Students will be required to wear a name badge/lanyard. Name badges/lanyards will be in your registration packet. Voting Delegates will be required to wear a provided Voting Delegate ribbon.

ADVISER CONFERENCE DUTY ASSIGNMENT:

Advisers will be assigned a competitive event to work on the day of the conference. I know it is difficult to work an event and be available to your students. You might want to bring a parent to help with assisting students. It is CRUCIAL for advisers to be at their assigned event on time in order for the conference to run smoothly and on time. When an event gets behind, it is usually because an adviser or judge did not show up. PLEASE do your part in helping this conference run smoothly. We literally cannot do it without you.

If you have any questions or concerns, please contact me at carie.maroon@rattlers.org. Thank you for all you do!

DISTRICT IV SERVICE PROJECT - MAKE-A-WISH FOUNDATION

Collectively, as a district, we have raised a little more than $4,000 of the $8,000 goal. We encourage each chapter to conduct a fundraising project for this great organization in order to grant a wish to a child from our district. Our fundraising goal deadline is the end of February.