Section 5: Individual Awards and Scholarships

All-State Quality Member Award

Deadline: March 1

Overview

The All-State Quality Member Award is designed to recognize outstanding FBLA members who have served FBLA through extensive participation in all levels of FBLA's program of work.

Eligibility

- Any High School FBLA member may apply for the All-State Quality Member Award.
- There is no limit to the number of members in a chapter that can apply.

Criteria

- Any square that is prefilled should be marked with an "x" if the criteria in that square has been met.
- In each empty square the member will describe the activity as **thoroughly as possible** along with the date the event occurred. **The activity should relate to FBLA and the description should indicate that. Assumptions will not be made on whether the activity was part of FBLA if the description is too vague.**
    - Example: "Hosted concessions to raise funds for FBLA Foundation donation." ***NOT*** "Hosted concession to raise funds" or "Concessions help", etc.
  - Dates must be indicated in each applicable square. Please list the month, day and year.
    - Example: 9/14/26
  - If an event is recurring, it may only be used once and should list the first date on which the event took place.
  - Eligible participation in activities must be conducted between the dates noted on the form.
  - It is strongly encouraged that all activities in each column be listed in chronological order.
- Although some activities could qualify under several column headings, it is up to the applicant's discretion to select an appropriate square and **the activity should be listed only one time.**
  - Example: conducting Adopt-A-Highway clean ups on two different dates counts as one activity, attending a Chamber of Commerce meeting on two different dates counts as one activity, etc.
- Only **FBLA** activities may be used.
- Activities may only be placed under the appropriate column heading.
- Additional squares cannot be added.
- Points will be deducted for the following:
  - No date listed (per box) - Minus 1 point.
  - Missing adviser signature - Minus 1 point.
  - Spelling/Grammar mistakes (per every 3 errors) - Minus 1 point.
- Any applications submitted after March 1st will not be considered.
- The Excel form must be completed on the computer (typed), printed, signed, uploaded and submitted via the ASQM link on the Nebraska FBLA website.

Guidelines Per Column

The following information is not meant to be limiting. The descriptions and examples given are designed to clarify questions and to encourage applicants to maximize points and activities they qualify to list.

Meetings and Conferences (Column Q)
This column is designed to highlight attendance and participation at local, state, and national conferences, meetings (local, area, etc), and events.

- The first three squares should simply include an "x" to indicate that the member attended that specific event. However, box 2 should also include the name and date of the college competition.
- Local chapter officer meetings do not qualify as an activity, however, entire chapter meetings do.
- Additional meetings, conferences, and competitions may be included in the Professional Activities column if there is not enough room in this column.

Chapter Contributions (Column U)
Activities in this column should directly benefit the local chapter.

- If the "chaired a committee" box is utilized, any activity related to that committee is no longer eligible in any box in any column. Due to this, a committee chair is worth 10 points.
    - For example, if you are a "Go Green" committee chair, you can not count any recycling, road cleanup or similar events in any other box.
- A maximum of three (3) members can be considered as instrumental in the preparation of an SLC report, which includes Community Service Project and Local Chapter Annual Business Report.
- Only one chapter fundraising activity can be used and it must be listed in this column.
    - Any additional fundraising that benefits the community should be listed in Column A.
- The following suggested activities would be acceptable in the empty square:
    - Assisting with the development of the local chapter program of work.
    - Assisting with chapter projects.
    - Fundraiser that benefits the chapter.
    - Instrumental in an attempt to charter or reactivate chapters from another school or division.
    - Designing the local chapter t-shirt.
    - Hosting competitive event prep or study nights.

Community Service (Column A)
Activities in this column should go towards benefitting the local community (not your school or chapter) and must be FBLA sponsored.

- Examples that may count, include but are not limited to:
    - Raising funds for the Nebraska FBLA Foundation, Alzheimer's Association, or local community non-profit organization.
        - Fundraising must specifically indicate benefitting a group other than the local chapter.
    - Adopt-A-Highway
    - American Red Cross Blood Drives
    - Clothing or Food Pantry Drives
    - Participation in community education events.
    - Community wide cleanups

School Service (Column L)
Activities in this column should go towards benefitting the entire school and/or student body. These activities should not be focused on benefiting the local chapter but rather how the local chapter is benefiting their school.

- Examples that may count, include but are not limited to:
    - Purchasing items or supplies to benefit your school and/or students.
    - Picking up trash after home activities and events.
    - Assisting with end-of-year cleaning and inventory.
    - Providing announcements for the school secretary.

- Conducting new student orientation or mentoring new students.
- Organizing school recycling programs.
- Conduct tours or welcome desks for orientations, open houses, PT conferences
- Help with homecoming week.
- Tutoring students in career education related coursework.

Public Relations (Column I)
Activities in this column are designed to help promote the local chapter and FBLA as an organization.

- Write and submit an article to the Pledge or Tomorrow's Business Leader.
  - Only one article by the same individual at any level (local, Pledge, National FBLA News) will qualify for a square in this column.
- Other examples that may count include but are not limited to:
  - Letters to alumni for FBLA donations, speaker requests, etc.
  - Presentations to the community.
  - Media coverage through local newspapers, radio, or television.
  - FBLA Week promotions
  - Open houses
  - Creation of promotional items (posters, flyers, brochures).
    - Must be specific on what the item is promoting and for.
  - Development and/or management of FBLA chapter website.
    - No more than two members can be listed for this item.
  - Development and/or management of a social media platform (Facebook, X, Instagram, TikTok, etc)
    - No more than two members can be listed for this item per platform.
  - Letter(s) to state and federal government officials supporting Career and Technical Education and/or FBLA.

Leadership Development (Column T)
Activities in this column should promote the member's ability to lead by example through experience and to build and promote the organization at the local and state level.

- Holding a local officer position qualifies and must be identified.
  - Performing expected officer duties should not be listed in any additional squares.
- Attaining one or more Business Achievement Award levels during the current school year qualifies for this column. May use one square per level beyond the initial BAA box.
- Other examples that may count include but are not limited to:
  - Presentations to elementary or middle school students on American Enterprise, FBLA or career education related topics.
  - Participating in a collaborative activity with another school organization or CTSO.
  - FBLA or career education presentation at a school board meeting.
  - Peer mentoring within the chapter.
  - Recruitment of new chapter members.
    - Must recruit at least three and list names (names cannot be repeated).
- The following items do NOT qualify:
  - Presenting in a competitive event at SLC, however, presenting a workshop/seminar does count.
  - Serving as a voting delegate at SLC.
  - Local chapter officer meetings.

Professional Activities (Column Y)
Activities in this column are designed to promote connecting with business and industry to enhance the member by providing opportunities outside of the classroom through real-world and hands-on experiences.

- Possible activities may include but are not limited to:
    - Attendance at professional meetings such as FBLA Advisory Council, Chamber of Commerce, Economic Development, School Board, etc.
    - Business and industry tours
        - Tours that are included as a part of FLC, SLC, NFLC, or NLC do not qualify.
    - Job shadows
    - Business competition days (other than the one already listed in column Q)
        - Examples include Loper Business Invite, UNL Business Competition, etc.
    - National FBLA Education Programs such as the Stock Market Game, Virtual Business Management and Finance Challenges, etc.
    - Special speakers/programs (excluding those at FLC, SLC, or any FBLA sponsored event)
    - Career fairs
    - Local etiquette dinner
    - Recruit an event sponsor for SLC
        - Must list the individual or business name. No more than two members can be listed per recruited member or sponsor.
    - Nominate a business or businessperson of the year for SLC.
        - Must list the individual or business name. No more than two members can be listed per recruited member or sponsor.

Judging

The Board of Directors will review and screen the entry forms. Evaluated applicants' forms totaling 100 points or more will be recognized at the State Leadership Conference. Applicants are encouraged to submit forms totaling more than 100 points.

Awards

Any student earning 100 points or more on the All-State Quality Member Award evaluation form will receive recognition at the SLC.

National Entry

There is no national event for the All-State Quality Member Award.