CENTRAL DISTRICT FBLA LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE

The Central District FBLA Leadership Conference will be held Thursday, February 13, 2020, at East Central Community College, Decatur, Mississippi.

Mail ALL registration materials with full payment to:

East Central Community College
Attn: Thomas Fortenberry
P O Box 129
Decatur, MS 39327

Registration ends: 12/1/19
Late Registration ends: 01/03/2020

Event Verification is 8:00 – 8:30 a.m. in Huff Auditorium.

Written Testing times are at 9:00 and 10:30. Performance Events begin at 9:00.

REGISTRATION GUIDELINES:

Conference Registration is Online ONLY

Registration payments (personal check, school check, or money order) payable to East Central Community College for $13 per participant, attendee, or adviser; purchase orders may be sent with initial registration, however, full payment must be made prior to District Conference. Payment and required paperwork (see first bulleted item below) must be postmarked no later than December 1, 2019.

➢ ALL paperwork MUST BE MAILED at the same time or your chapter will not be registered for the conference (includes check or money order, folders, and transcripts or a letter from school counselor or principal verifying grade of 7th – 10th grade participants).

➢ Late registration packets must be postmarked by January 3, 2020. Late registration conference fee is $20 per participant, attendee, or adviser; sorry, no purchase orders accepted for late registration.

➢ NO refunds and NO substitutions – students’ names will be submitted to the testing center as they are keyed into the registration site. NO refunds for excess registration fees.

Guidelines for Competitive Event Registration

• A member can enter only one event, with the exception of middle-level events.

• NO SUBSTITUTIONS.

Guidelines for Skills Competitions

• All one-hour tests, interview and speaking events will continue to be administered at the district level.

• All testing must be done on computers in ECC’s testing labs.

• All skills portion of the skills competitive events will be held at the state conference.
Guidelines for Speaking Events
- Students competing in Performance Events will be sequestered in a holding room until their performance time.

Other Information
- Packet-pickup area: adviser must sign document indicating the liability form for each student/adviser is in his/her possession.
- Cell phones, MP3s/iPods, etc. are not permitted in any testing room, holding room, or preparation room. Please explain this to your students prior to the competition.
- Special Needs Notification Form for students who need special provisions (send with registration). Bring another student from your chapter to assist this person.

Lunch Information
- **Campus cafeteria**: Student rate for lunch is $6.40 at the campus cafeteria.

**IMPORTANT NOTE:**
Registration is considered late if your packet is postmarked after December 1, 2019 regardless of the date that you entered your information into the Conference Registration site. **ALL** packets that are postmarked after December 1, 2019 will be accessed a late fee that **MUST** be paid prior to the conference.

We look forward to having you on our campus February 13, 2020. Please feel free to contact one of the following if you have questions regarding the conference:

Thomas Fortenberry 601.635.6254 tfortenberry@ecce.edu
Christy Ferguson 601.635.6292 cferguson@ecce.edu
For problems with the registration website, contact Debbie Moore, 601-359-2473 dmoore@mdek12.org

**Reminders:**
December 31, 2019 - Foundation deadline to receive monies for the 2020 NLC.
March 7, 2020 - Postmark deadline for seniors to apply for the Rufus T. Jones and/or Harold Harris scholarships.

**Join the Mississippi FBLA-PBL Foundation**
Do you have seniors planning to go to college who could use some help with college expenses? Would it make your life easier if your chapter had to raise less money in order for your state winners to attend and compete at the 2020 NLC in Salt Lake City, UT?

If you answered “Yes!” to these questions, then your chapter should become a member of the Mississippi FBLA-PBL Foundation. In order to receive Foundation funds, your chapter must be at least a bronze member ($50 contribution) and secure at least one bronze membership. The additional contribution can come from a local business, a parent, chapter adviser, etc. Remember, all contributions to the Foundation are tax deductible.

If your chapter is a member of the Foundation, your chapter members will receive special recognition at the District Leadership Conference.

The trust agent for the Foundation is BankPlus Wealth Management Group. **Please be sure that you use the revised agreement when sending in your contributions.**

Contact Lisa Courtney at lisa.courtney@mucccc.edu if you have questions.