

NH FOR NH - 2nd. Ed (Jan-Feb)

Upcoming Dates To Remember:

- 1. February 25th - Prejudged Materials Due**
- 2. March 6th - State Officer Projects Due**
- 3. March 15th - Hotel Payments Due**
- 4. April 2nd & 3rd - State Leadership Conference**

Prospect Mountain FBLA celebrates schoolwide FBLA week

Sam McGrath



Prospect Mountain FBLA learns about how FBLA can influence your future and lead to success

Prospect Mountain FBLA celebrated FBLA Week by working on all 7 state officer projects. They accomplished this by deciding a theme for each school day of the week and getting the whole school involved in various activities.

The first project they worked on was a combination of the Threads of Hope and Lending Helping Hand projects. They got a head start on these projects before FBLA week by holding a donation drive for the unhoused over 2 weeks, with the winning class earning a pancake breakfast cooked for them by two of the school's staff. Then, PMHS

FBLA started FBLA week off with Mental Health Monday, where they worked on the Never Too Late project by bringing back weekly Mental Health Monday meetings where anyone who wanted to join could discuss the importance of mental health.

Tuesday was Dress for Success Day, where they encouraged as many people as they could in their school to wear business attire and held a raffle for a school sweatshirt for anyone who dressed up. After school, they held a business meeting where they had a virtual meeting with a former FBLA leader and discussed how FBLA can influence your future and open more career and college paths.

Wednesday was Environmental Awareness Day, where they worked on the Subtly Sustainable project by handing out Clynk bags to allow people to collect plastic bottles and recycle them more efficiently. They then joined Ms. Dill, the biology teacher, who gave them a presentation about environmental sustainability and how it's beneficial for businesses to be eco-friendly.

Thursday was Financial Literacy Day, where they advised anyone to attend the FBLA table at lunch and learn about financial literacy. Then, they worked on the Lessons in Financial Literacy project by going on a field trip to Alton Central School to give a presentation to the 8th graders about personal finance and FBLA. They then held an activity where the middle schoolers could answer questions about the presentation and earn fake money, and then choose to spend all their money on ice cream or invest some money into a raffle for various items. They're also planning a trip to Barnstead Elementary School over the coming weeks to involve more of their community.

To end the school week on Friday, they held an FBLA Spirit Day where they all wore FBLA shirts and participated in activities together while advertising to the rest of the school why they should join FBLA. After school, they gave a presentation to the guidance counselors and assistant superintendent about Career Technical Education classes in the school. They had a discussion with them about how to spread awareness about those classes to students.

Along with all that, they worked on the Media & Membership project by posting on Instagram about their various projects to try and gain as much community engagement and support as possible and raise awareness of the donation drive for the unhoused. Lastly, they worked on the NH for NH project by writing this article for both the NH

FBLA Newsletter and the local newspaper, The Baysider, to let the community and local FBLA chapters know about the work they've been putting into their community.

Why FBLA?

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FBLA is a competition that focuses on growing student business skills. With chapters located across the nation, it's incredibly accessible. FBLA contains three divisions: middle school, high school, and collegiate. There are several events which students can compete in, as a team or individually. There are several types of events as well, including but not limited to presentations, roleplays, and objective tests.

One of the benefits of participating in FBLA is the skills you gain, ranging from marketing to management. By competing in various events, you learn these essential business skills, which are useful in your professional career regardless of which field you work in. Several of the FBLA events also improve your communication skills, such as the Business Communication event, which is useful in high school and onwards.

Another benefit of FBLA is the recognition you receive for performing well in your event. If you rank 4th or higher (depending on your region) in your event at the State Leadership Conference, you qualify for the National Leadership Conference, which is a great addition to your resume, and demonstrates competency in business topics.

Lastly, the connections you make at FBLA conferences, especially the NLC, are incredibly useful. You have the opportunity to meet motivated students and industry professionals, which is great for not only meeting new friends, but gaining access to new opportunities, and creating lifelong connections.

FBLA is an amazing competition for high school students, that nurtures skills and competitions at a young age. If you are interested, join your school's chapter and start exploring!

Goffstown FBLA Member Speaks On Her Dedication and Admiration Towards The Club

Hannah Minnich

My name is Hannah Minnich, and I am a senior at Goffstown High School. This is my first year in FBLA and I am loving it so far! I think FBLA is a good opportunity to experience the business world, as it provides students with valuable skills, networking opportunities, and hands-on experience in various business aspects. I'm excited about SLC as it will enhance my leadership skills, communication skills, and get me ready for real-world business scenarios through competition. Being a part of FBLA is something so much bigger than I thought, it's not all about competitions, it also helps foster a sense of community and teamwork. From picking up trash, donating clothes, and making cards for veterans, I feel like I am a part of the community and a part of something bigger.

My chapter recognizes a "Member of the Month" award every few meetings when the months alter. Achieving the title of "Member of the Month" in FBLA involves surpassing the standard expectations. Consistent attendance, and increased effort in activities such as trash cleanup, donations, and meetings are crucial. This demonstrates dedication, leadership, and a proactive approach, underscoring your commitment to the organization and its objectives. By doing these things, you'll earn the title of "member of the month", an award received to show you, that your commitment to the club hasn't gone unnoticed.

My favorite part of being in FBLA is feeling like a leader in a group of like-minded individuals. Being able to give back to my community, with my friends alongside me, while gaining leadership, teamwork, and time-management skills. This will be my first year attending SLC, making it an exciting opportunity to showcase my skills and connect with other students. Competing will test my abilities, while networking will allow me to build connections within the FBLA community. Learning from others, especially in my first year, can lead to personal and professional growth. I look forward to SLC, as it will be one of my first big FBLA events. Finally, happy FBLA week everybody!