FBLA ALUMNI NEWSLETTER

ISSUE 1



Connecting our Alumni to current events!

Welcome FBLA Alumni!

My name is Lesira Kpea, and I am a current Junior at Buckeye Union High School serving as your VP of Community Service and Alumni Relations. I am so blessed to be your state officer and to have the opportunity to encourage our members to transform their tomorrows! I am more than thrilled to meet and possibly collaborate with our new and returning FBLA Alumni, so let's build our network!

New Year, Many Great Opportunities!

There is much in store for this upcoming FBLA year with many new opportunities I am so happy to share. I am here to aid and connect you all to these new projects, events, and anything you seem interested in. From being a BOSS member to judging at our events, I will be at your service to support you in all of your business endeavors. Let's strengthen our organization and help it prosper by building a strong Alumni network!



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VP of Community Service/ Alumni Relations

Next up: Upcoming Events

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As the fall season approaches, we have some exciting FBLA events lined up that you won't want to miss! Mark your calendars for these key dates:

- FLEX Conference (November 6, 2024): Prepare to be inspired at our annual FLEX Conference, where you'll have the chance to lead workshops and help shape the future of FBLA.
- **Regional Conferences (January, 2025):** FBLA Regional Conferences are locallevel events where students from schools within a specific region come together to compete in various business and leadership-related events. These conferences provide an opportunity for members to showcase their skills, network with peers, and participate in workshops to enhance their professional development.
- State Leadership Conference (April 1-3, 2025): The FBLA State Leadership Conference is a large-scale event where members from across the state compete in a wide array of business competitions. It also includes leadership training, workshops, keynote speakers, and networking opportunities.

Interested in getting more involved? Links to sign up as a BOSS Member at camp, a presenter for Regionals, and a workshop leader for FLEX are right here! All these links will be featured on our website, www. azfbla.org on our "Alumni" tab at the top!

FLEX Workshop Presenter: 2024 FLEX Conference Presenter Interest Form

Regional Judges: Click Here

<u>State Conference Judges:</u> <u>Click Here</u>

To help you make the most of these opportunities, I'll be hosting a **Zoom call on November 15th, 2024, at 5:30 PM MST.** We'll go over all the resources and answer any questions you might have. Don't miss out on the chance to elevate your FBLA experience this fall!

November 15th Interest Meeting Link: Microsoft Teams Join the meeting now Meeting ID: 273 683 646 330 Passcode: xm9ohe WWW.AZFBLA.ORG

Arizona FBLA Events

FLEX Conference November 6, 2024

Regional Conferences January, 2025

State Leadership Conference April 1-3, 2025

Zoom Meeting November 15th, 2024

Next up: Our Year Plan

OUR YEAR PLAN ALUMNI NETWORK



State Adviser's Message

Hello FBLA Arizona Alumni Members:

I hope you are all doing well and enjoying your life adventures. I am sure your life has changed tremendously since you were an FBLA member, but I am sure you have many fond memories of your time in FBLA.

Here in 2024 we are off to the start of a great school year with 290 high school chapters and 10 middle school chapters. Each year we grow in membership and welcome new people to our family. Sadly, we also lose people along the way as they graduate, retire, pass away, or change teaching positions. We are thankful for each and every member and love the organization that we serve.

We have a new state officer, Lesira Kpea, who is serving this year as VP of Alumni and Community Service. She is a bright young lady who is excited to connect with you. We are hoping to get an Alumni Zoom call together to meet and catch up on what you are doing and what FBLA has been doing since you left the organization. We are very excited to share it all with you.

We offer many opportunities for our Alumni and hope that something will interest you and we will be able to use your expertise to further grow this organization.

We would love to have you come a be a workshop presenter, judge, or serve on our board of trustees if you have the time to do so. We will reach out as our events and opportunities come closer.

We look forward in meeting you and/or reconnecting with you and wish you the best in all you are doing. Best wishes in your continued life successes.



State President's Message

Hello Alumni,

My name is Natalie LaPaglia Pisaño, and I am serving as FBLA Arizona's 2024-25 State President. Although your time as an FBLA member may be behind you now, the organization is still thriving and we recently celebrated the start of a brand new membership year! We already have tons of new members, exciting chapters, and fall conferences that we are looking forward to. As alumni of FBLA, you recognize the importance of business education in the classroom and beyond, and words cannot express how much support means to our organization.

We would be nothing without our alumni, and I would like to thank you for making an effort to stay in the loop. My Vice President of Community Service and Alumni, Lesira Kpea, will take great care of you all this year and I look forward to connecting with

you all shortly!

