

# NETWORKING CONCEPTS

Acquiring a high level of familiarization and proficiency in working with networks is essential in today's connected workplace. This event provides recognition for FBLA members who have an understanding of network technologies.

## **OBJECTIVE TEST COMPETENCIES (May include, but not limited to.)**

- general network terminology
- network operating system terminology
- equipment for Internet access
- OSI model and functionality
- network topologies and connectivity

## **NBEA STANDARDS REINFORCED BY EVENT**

Information Technology: computer architecture, operating systems, environments, and utilities, systems analysis and design, communications and networking infrastructures, network applications  
Management: technology and information management

**CAREER CLUSTER(S):** Information Technology

## **ELIGIBILITY**

The top five winners at the winter regional conferences may enter this event. If a chapter has no winner in the top five, it may enter one participant in this event. All participants must be members of the active local chapter on record in the FBLA state and national offices as paying dues by February 15.

1. Participants must be selected in accordance with the regulations of the local chapter and the state association.
2. Participants must not have won first place at a State Business Leadership Conference nor entered this event at a previous National Leadership Conference.
3. Participants failing to report on time for the event will not be permitted to compete.
4. Participants must adhere to the dress code established by the Board of Directors, or they will not be permitted to participate in the competitive event.

## **OVERVIEW**

A one (1) hour objective test will be administered based on the competencies listed. Nongraphing calculators will be provided.

Every effort will be made to provide computerized testing. If this is not possible, participants must furnish their own No. 2 pencils and erasers. No graphing calculators, Palm Pilots, or any other memory storage devices will be allowed.

## **JUDGING**

The tests will be machine graded. Ties will be broken based on the last ten questions and in groups of ten thereafter if a tie still exists.

## **STATE AWARDS**

The number of awards presented at the State Business Leadership Conference is determined by judges and/or number of entries. The maximum number will be five (5).

## **NATIONAL ENTRIES**

Washington State may enter three (3) state winners in national competition