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## **FBLA Regional Leadership Conference to be held at Chilton**

### **High School students learn from each other and professionals while competing in Wisconsin FBLA competitive events**

On Saturday, February 1, Wisconsin Future Business Leaders of America (FBLA) members from 23 schools will travel to Chilton High School to compete in a variety of events and attend professional development workshops. Members are competing for a chance to compete at state later this year. This is one of seven locations hosting this event across the state.

At regional leadership conferences, FBLA members compete in academic events related to Business and Information Technology and learn from each other at student led seminars as well as from business professionals. These events provide students real work experience and allows them to bridge the gap between school and real world experiences. Conferences also provide students the chance to expand their network and be recognized for their efforts.

This year the Region 6 conference will also host a business panel to answer questions from the FBLA members. The panel will include former CEO of Miller Electric Manufacturing, Mike Weller; Executive Vice President of Innovation at Sargento Foods, Kristi Jankowski; President of The Wisconsin Herd, Steve Brandes; and Representative for Wisconsin's 8th Congressional District, Mike Gallagher. This event is open to only FBLA members and their school sponsors.

Wisconsin Future Business Leaders of America is the state organization for all students participating in business education programs. In the 2018-2019 school year, Wisconsin FBLA-PBL operated chapters at 214 schools across Wisconsin, with a total of 6832 members with an additional 53 professional division members. Chilton High School serves as this year's host with the local FBLA Chapter serving 61 members. FBLA supports Middle and High School growing in their ability to network and skill building the fields of Business and Information Technology.

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