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Hurricane Michael Causes Cancellation of Fall Motivational Rally



On October 10, 2018, our area endured an all night and following day Category 3 Hurricane. Hurricane Michael swept quickly in from the Gulf making land-fall as a record-breaking Category 5 hurricane. Due to the hurricane, the damaging high winds caused FBLA along with the Georgia National Fair in Perry, Georgia to close.

With the FBLA Fall Motivational Rally scheduled for October 11th, we sat on the edge of our seats waiting and wondering if we would be able to attend. Our LCHS FBLA Chapter, along with many other stu-

dent organizations were scheduled to attend the conference where we traditionally gather and meet with other Georgia Chapters, have a dynamic motivational speaker kick-off the year, having open testing events, and fellowship through food and fun at the fair.

Unfortunately, Hurricane Michael left our area severely damaged and tens of thousands without power and many without food, shelter, or water. In some areas nearby, some were without power for nine days. Our adviser, Mrs. Amanda Overstreet and her

family was without power for seven days. She said, "at first, I was ok. It was like camping. We let up the windows, used our generator to power a lamp, the refrigerator, and a fan." Mrs. Overstreet said her days of camping were quickly drawing to become something they had never planned for. She said they had cold running water for showers and warm nights.

Although, her and her family had minimal damage, many others had extensive damage. The students were sad but understood the circumstances and refunds for the rally will be given.

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FBLA is a student organization in the Career and Technical fields with an emphasis on Business. Any student who is interested in the business, computer science, or marketing related fields is welcome to join by paying club dues. FBLA's mission is to bring business and education together in a positive working relationship through innovative leadership and career development programs. The club expects to reach well over 100 members in the combined chapters of FBLA at both the high school campus and the 9th grade campus this year!

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FBLA Important Dates

- **Fall Leadership Conference** - Athens, GA
 - November 7-8
 - \$100 Registration due by October 10th (Leadership Only)
- **National Fall Leadership Conference** - Chicago, Illinois
 - November 2-3
- **Region Leadership Conference** - Buena Vista, GA
 - January 31
 - Region Skills Testing
 - \$30 Registration
 - TBA
 - Region Online Testing
 - December 4th
- **State Leadership Conference & Competition** - Athens, GA
 - March 22-23
 - SLC Skills Testing
 - February 4-8
 - SLC Online
 - March 1-7
- **National Leadership Conference & Competition** - San Antonio, TX
 - June 28-July 2
 - Fees TBA Registration, Hotel, and Travel

Region 1 Conference & Competition

The conference will be held on Friday, January 31, 2019 in Buena Vista, Georgia. It is a wonderful experience for these young people as they meet and compete with students from around our region. Most students will be competing in online testing events prior to the conference. However, some events will be held onsite in Moultrie. There will be workshops for students to attend when not competing and an awards ceremony will be held following the completion of competition.

The registration fee is \$30.00 which includes the conference registration, one meal, two competitions and travel expenses. Money raised from our FBLA fundraisers will help offset some of the cost of our state conference and com-

petition coming up in March.

Our students will be choosing their events for their respective competitions this week. The money is due by Monday, November 26th. If you need to make other payment arrangements, please contact us at the email.

However, once I register your student online, I must pay for their registration to the state FBLA office. Any student who registers to compete or attend the conference is responsible for the entire balance even if they decide to cancel before the conference or competition. If you prefer for your student to NOT attend, please text me or email me.

We will leave Friday, January 31st, from the LCHS parking lot before school.

We will return to campus sometime late afternoon. As soon as the state FBLA office gives me more detail, I will forward information to you. We will try and have students call you about 30 minutes before

The dress code for the entire conference is professional dress. Please refer to the Dress Code agreement as it must be signed. Students making presentations must be in OFFICIAL FBLA DRESS. Please discuss with your student the importance of following all of the behavior and safety rules, as well as attending all of the conference activities.

