

2023–24 Competitive Events Guidelines

Electronic Career Portfolio



Sometimes, a basic resume is not always enough. Electronic Career Portfolio provides members with the opportunity to present a portfolio showcasing their ability to combine all of their achievements, growth, vision, skills, education, training and career goals into an electronic format. This competitive event consists of a presentation component where the portfolio is shown to the judges.

Event Overview

Division: High School

Event Type: Individual

Event Category: Presentation

Event Elements: Presentation

Presentation Time: 3-minute set-up, 7-minute presentation time, 3-minute question & answer time

NACE Connections: Career & Self-Development, Communication, Critical Thinking, Leadership, Professionalism, Technology

Equipment Provided by Competitors: Technology and presentation items for preliminary and final round presentation

Equipment Provided by FBLA: Internet access and table for preliminary round presentation; Internet access, table, power, projector & screen for final round presentation

District/Region/Section

Check with your District/Region/Section leadership for District/Region/Section-specific competition information.

State

Check with your State Leader for state-specific competition information.

National

Policy and Procedures Manual

- Competitors should be familiar with the Competitive Events Policy & Procedures Manual, found on the Competitive Events page on www.fbla.org.

Eligibility

- FBLA membership dues are paid by 11:59 pm Eastern Time on March 1 of the current school year.
- Members may compete in an event at NLC more than once if they have not previously placed in the top ten of that event at NLC. If a member places in the top ten of an event at NLC, they are no longer eligible to compete in that event.
- Members must be registered for the NLC and pay the national conference registration fee in order to participate in competitive events.
- Members must stay in an official FBLA hotel in order to compete.
- Each state may submit four entries.
- Each competitor can only compete in one individual/team event and one chapter event (American Enterprise Project, Community Service Project, Local Chapter Annual Business Report, Partnership with Business Project).

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- Only competitors are allowed to plan, research, prepare, and set up their presentations.
- Each competitor must compete in all parts of an event for award eligibility.
- All members of a team must consist of individuals from the same chapter.
- Picture identification (driver's license, passport, state-issued identification, or school-issued identification) is required when checking in for competitive events.
- If competitors are late for a presentation time, they will be allowed to compete until such time that results are finalized, or the accommodation would impact the fairness and integrity of the event. Competitive events start in the morning before the Opening Session of NLC.

Recognition

- The number of competitors will determine the number of winners. The maximum number of winners for each competitive event is 10.

Event Administration

- This event has two parts: preliminary presentation and final presentation
- Preliminary Presentation Information
 - **Equipment Set-up Time:** 3 minutes
 - **Presentation Time:** 7 minutes (one-minute warning)
 - **Question & Answer Time:** 3 minutes
 - **Internet Access:** Provided (Internet access may not be Wi-Fi, so competitors should plan appropriately when selecting devices on which to present. Please note that internet reliability at any conference venue cannot be guaranteed. Always have a backup plan in case internet connections go down.)
 - The presentation is judged at the NLC. Preliminary presentations are not open to conference attendees. The presentation will take place in a large, open area, with a booth size of approximately 12' x 12'.
 - Competitors/teams are randomly assigned to sections.
 - Competitors present directly from a laptop/device. Screens and projectors are not allowed for use, and competitors are not allowed to bring their own. Power will not be available.
 - Competitors can present with and bring any of the following technology into the presentation as long as it fits on the small table in front of the judges' table or is held by the competitors:
 - Laptop
 - Tablet
 - Mobile phone
 - External monitor that is approximately the size of a laptop monitor
 - Visual aids and samples related to the project may be used during the presentation; however, no items may be left with the judges or audience.
 - When the equipment set-up time has elapsed, the timer will automatically start the presentation time.
 - If performing as a team, all team members are expected to actively participate in the presentation.
 - No animals (except authorized service animals) will be allowed for use in any competitive event.

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- Presentation should cover the following aspects of the portfolio:
 - The portfolio is to be specific to the career goals and professional experiences that the student has completed; it is not a showcase of FBLA experiences.
 - All information should reflect the competitor's accomplishments and experiences that have occurred.
 - Facts and data must be cited and secured from quality sources.
 - The portfolio must include:
 - Resume
 - Career Summary: Including career choice, description of career, skills and education required, and future job outlook (e.g., monetary, advancement).
 - Sample Materials: These samples must include, but are not limited to, the following:
 - Career-Related Education: Describe career related education that enhance employability. Include a summary of school activities, career research projects, application of business education, and/or related occupational skills and their relationship to the career.
 - Educational Enhancement: Describe educational opportunities that enhance employability. Include career opportunities development planning, summaries of job shadowing, work-based learning experiences, internships, apprenticeships, informational interviews, community service projects, and products developed during these experiences.
 - Examples of Special Skills: Includes up to five examples of special skills, talents, and/or abilities related to job and career goals. Audio and/or video recordings may be included in the portfolio.
- Final Presentation Information
 - **Equipment Set-up Time:** 3 minutes
 - **Presentation Time:** 7 minutes (one-minute warning)
 - **Question & Answer Time:** 3 minutes
 - **Internet Access:** Provided (Internet access may not be Wi-Fi, so competitors should plan appropriately when selecting devices on which to present. Please note that internet reliability at any conference venue cannot be guaranteed. Always have a backup plan in case internet connections go down.)
 - An equal number of competitors from each section in the preliminary round will advance to the final round. When there are more than five sections of preliminary presentations for an event, two competitors from each section will advance to the final round.
 - Final presentations may be open to conference attendees, space permitting. Finalists may not view other competitors' presentation in their event.
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- Laptop
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- External monitor that is approximately the size of a laptop monitor
- The following will be provided for the final round if it occurs in a conference room: screen, power, table, and projector. Competitors using laptops or other devices that do not have an HDMI port will need to provide their own adapters. It is up to final-round competitors to determine if they wish to use the technology provided.
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Scoring

- The preliminary presentation score will determine the finalists.
- The final presentation score will determine the winners.
- Judges must break ties. All judges' decisions are final.

Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA)

- FBLA meets the criteria specified in the Americans with Disabilities Act for all competitors with accommodations submitted through the conference registration system by the registration deadline.

Recording of Presentations

- No unauthorized audio or video recording devices will be allowed in any competitive event.
- Competitors in the events should be aware FBLA reserves the right to record any presentation for use in study or training materials.

Penalty Points

- Competitors may be disqualified if they violate the Competitive Event Guidelines or the Honor Code.
- Five points are deducted if competitors do not follow the Dress Code or are late for their assigned presentation time.

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Electronic Career Portfolio Presentation Rating Sheet

Expectation Item	Not Demonstrated	Below Expectations	Meets Expectations	Exceeds Expectations	Points Earned
Resume	Resume not included or demonstrated	Provides a review of resume including experiences, qualification, and special skills	Provides a review of resume using multiple visual aids	Provides a review of resume and integrates interactive features of technology into presentation	
	0 points	1-6 points	7-8 points	9-10 points	
Career Research	Career research not included or demonstrated	Shares research on desired career	Shares research on desired career and correlates personal qualifications to this career	Shares research and qualifications for career and incorporates statistics, data, salary, and obstacles	
	0 points	1-6 points	7-8 points	9-10 points	
Career Related Education	No demonstration of career related education	Shares information about school activities and work experiences	Shares information about school activities and work experiences and how one prepared for the other	Correlates experience and education and provides details about a career research project	
	0 points	1-9 points	10-16 points	17-20 points	
Special Skills or Proficiencies	No demonstration of special skills or proficiencies	Shares about one special skill or proficiency related to desired career	Shares about one special skill or proficiency related to desired career they have earned and how it makes them qualified for their selected career	Shares and correlates at least one special skill or proficiency related to desired career skill that is linked to a certification or endorsement	
	0 points	1-9 points	10-16 points	17-20 points	
Substantiates and cites sources used while conducting research	Sources are not cited	Sources/References are seldom cited to support statements	Professionally legitimate sources & resources that support statements are generally present	Compelling evidence from professionally legitimate sources & resources is given to support statements	
	0 points	1-6 points	7-8 points	9-10 points	
Presentation Delivery					
Statements are well-organized and clearly stated	Competitor did not appear prepared	Competitor was prepared, but flow was not logical	Presentation flowed in logical sequence	Presentation flowed in a logical sequence; statements were well organized	
	0 points	1-6 points	7-8 points	9-10 points	
Demonstrates self-confidence, poise, assertiveness, and good voice projection	Competitor did not demonstrate self-confidence	Competitor demonstrated self-confidence and poise	Competitor demonstrated self-confidence, poise, and good voice projection	Competitor demonstrated self-confidence, poise, good voice projection, and assertiveness	
	0 points	1-6 points	7-8 points	9-10 points	
Demonstrates the ability to effectively answer questions	Unable to answer questions	Does not completely answer questions	Completely answers questions	Interacted with the judges in the process of completely answering questions	
	0 points	1-6 points	7-8 points	9-10 points	
Staff Only: Penalty Points (5 points for dress code penalty and/or 5 points for late arrival penalty)					
Presentation Total (100 points)					
Name(s):					
School:					
Judge Signature:					Date:
Comments:					